Decision Session - Executive Member for Economy and Culture

Tuesday, 25 March 2025

Decisions

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Decision Session Executive Member for Economy and Culture held on Tuesday, 25 March 2025. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than 4pm on Tuesday, 1 April 2025.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Ben Jewitt.

5. Creation of infrastructure to be able to support the collection of donations to support the conservation of the City Walls

Resolved: To approve Option 1, namely:

- a) The creation of donation points, "tap" and QR code (for in person events) based for the Bar Walls, and associated payments handling systems.
- b) The creation of an interpretation space within Bootham Bar for the purpose of educating visitors as to the conservation of the bar walls.
- c) Delegation of authority to the Director of Transport, Environment and Planning, in consultation with the Head of Procurement and the Director of Governance, to take such steps as are necessary to determine the provisions of, award and enter into the required contractual arrangements to accept donations, including contracts with tap donation providers and merchant facilities to handle transactions.

- d) Noted that merchant and processing fees will apply as a percentage of donations received.
- e) Undertaking of a 6-month trial period for devices, after which a review will be undertaken to determine whether to roll the scheme out permanently.

Reasons:

The trial will explore whether this project will result in income generated for the authority that will allow it to improve its heritage assets, realise their education potential while reducing the burden on the CYC capital budgets.