MEETING EXECUTIVE (CALLING IN)

DATE 5 APRIL 2011

PRESENT COUNCILLORS WALLER (CHAIR), AYRE,

STEVE GALLOWAY, MOORE, MORLEY, REID AND

RUNCIMAN

IN ATTENDANCE COUNCILLOR FRASER

22. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in the business on the agenda. No interests were declared.

23. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION / OTHER SPEAKERS

It was reported that no members of the public had registered to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme. However, a union representative and a Member of Council had requested to speak.

Heather McKenzie, of UNISON, spoke in relation to agenda item 3 (Update on Reablement Service). She expressed concern about the timescale for the procurement process, the lack of scope to consider all options for provision of the service and the lack of clarity on future demands for the service.

Cllr Fraser, speaking on the same item, re-iterated the points he had made at the SMC (Calling In) meeting and urged that a decision on the matter be deferred until the new municipal year to allow consideration of other options, including potential partnership arrangements with York Hospital Trust.

24. CALLED-IN ITEM: UPDATE ON REABLEMENT SERVICE

Members re-considered the decisions they had taken at the Executive meeting on 15 March 2011 in relation to proposals to re-model the Council's reablement service and progress the purchase of the service from external providers.

The Executive's decisions on this item had been called in by Cllrs Alexander, Fraser and Simpson-Laing and subsequently considered by the Scrutiny Management Committee (SMC) (Calling In) at a meeting on 4 April. The SMC (Calling In) had resolved:

"That Option B be approved and the matter referred back to the Executive for reconsideration, with a recommendation that they amend their decisions to allow staff sufficient time to work on plans to form a mutual or social enterprise company, or a Local Authority Traded Company."

Officers at the meeting responded to the points raised on this item under Public Participation / Other Speakers. The Chair commented that there was a need to clarify:

- the steps taken to ensure implementation of the Executive's decision regarding the provision of information to staff about mutuals, social enterprise companies and Local Authority Trading Companies, and
- the statistics relating to delayed hospital discharges after 2006.

Having reconsidered the matter in the light of the advice of the SMC (Calling in) and the comments made and information provided at the meeting, it was

RESOLVED: That the decisions made by the Executive on this item on 15 March 2011 be confirmed.

REASON: In accordance with the calling-in procedure and in view of the fact that no evidence has been produced to justify amending the original decisions.

25. CALLED-IN ITEM: DRAFT FRAMEWORK FOR YORK LOW EMISSION STRATEGY

Members re-considered the decisions they had taken at the Executive meeting on 15 March 2011 in relation to a draft framework for the York Low Emission Strategy, to be taken forward for public consultation in 2011.

The Executive's decisions on this item had been called in by Cllrs Gunnell, Merrett and B Watson and subsequently considered by the Scrutiny Management Committee (SMC) (Calling In) at a meeting on 4 April. The SMC (Calling In) had resolved:

"That Option B be approved and the matter referred back to the Executive for reconsideration, with a recommendation that they give the matter more positive and detailed consideration

Having reconsidered the matter in the light of the advice of the SMC (Calling in), it was

RESOLVED: That the decisions made by the Executive on this item on 15 March 2011 be confirmed.

REASON: In accordance with the calling-in procedure and in view of the fact that no evidence has been produced to justify amending the original decisions.

A Waller, Chair

[The meeting started at 2.00 pm and finished at 2.25 pm].