
Meeting	Decision Session - Executive Member for Children, Young People and Education
Date	7 November 2023
Present	Councillors Webb
Apologies	Councillors

1. Declarations of Interest [10:01]

The Executive Member was asked to declare, at this point in the meeting, any personal interests, not included on the Register of Interests, or any prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests that he might have had in respect of business on the agenda. None were declared.

2. Minutes [10:02]

Resolved: That the minutes of the decision session held on 15 March 2023 be approved and signed by the Executive Member as a correct record.

3. Public Participation [10:02]

Andrew Parkinson spoke on Free Discretionary Transport to Tadcaster Grammar School. He raised concerns regarding a letter from Ian Yapp, Chief Education Officer of the STAR Multi-Academy Trust and suggested some changes to the wording and layout of the planned survey. During the meeting, it was confirmed that that letter had been responded to and that changes had been made to the survey.

4. Free Discretionary Transport to Tadcaster Grammar School [10:06]

The Head of Education Support Service presented the report. She stated that this item was concerning a legacy provision of free transport to a non-York school, and that it did not affect SEND eligibility or pupils who already received this service.

The Chair noted the savings required due to austerity cuts in council budgets and agreed with the recommendation to approve the start of a public consultation process.

The Executive Member then;

Resolved: That a consultation process for phased removal of free discretionary transport to Tadcaster Grammar School be approved to achieve previously agreed savings. Feedback from the consultation would be brought back to the Executive Member for a final decision on removal of discretionary transport to Tadcaster Grammar School.

Reason: In order to achieve agreed savings targets, whilst ensuring that parents are able that to make an informed choice about school places from the year prior to admission to secondary school.

Cllr Webb, Chair

[The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 10.12 am].