

**Executive**

**17 March 2016**

**Report of the Chief Executive**

**Portfolio of the Leader of the Council**

**Inquiry into the Flooding in York over the Christmas period**

**Background**

1. The Executive has previously confirmed its intention to hold an independent inquiry into the flooding which occurred in York over the Christmas period.
2. The Council has advertised for a potential Chair and Panel Members and has received a total of eleven applications. Seven of these are now being taken forward either as potential Inquiry team Members or to act as Chair.
3. Staffing Matter and Urgency Committee have appointed a Panel consisting of the four Group Leaders to interview and appoint the Chair. The appointment process is now underway.
4. The appointment of Inquiry Members will follow the appointment of the Chair with a view to securing a range of professional expertise within the Inquiry team. A further press release has been issued with a view to expanding the field of candidates.
5. Once a Chair is appointed it is envisaged that the terms of reference will be finalised by the Chief Executive in consultation with the Chair and these will be reported back to the Executive.

**Recommendations**

6. The Executive is asked to note this report.

**Reason:** To ensure that the Executive is aware of progress with appointing the inquiry team

## **Council Plan**

5. The report has no specific implications for Council plan priorities

## **Implications**

6. This report has no specific financial, legal, equalities, community safety, environmental, HR or ICT implications.

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### **Wards Affected:**

**All**



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### **Background Papers:**

None

### **Annexes**

None