

EXECUTIVE

THURSDAY 13 JULY 2017

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Executive meeting held on Thursday, 13 July 2017. 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 the second working day after this meeting.

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

6. REPORT ON WORK OF THE FINANCIAL INCLUSION STEERING GROUP 2016/17 AND 2017/18 UPDATE

Resolved: That the Executive notes the work of the Financial Inclusion Steering Group in 2016/17 and 2017/18 to date.

Reason: To ensure Members are aware of Financial Inclusion activity and how related financial support is administered through Council Tax Support and York Financial Assistance schemes to inform planning for future financial pressures relating to these schemes and to ensure that support continues to be effectively provided.

7. YORK CENTRAL UPDATE AND PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Resolved: That the Executive:

- i. Notes the plan for the York Central Partnership to undertake public consultation on access options and the master plan which will lead to the submission of outline and detailed planning applications;

- ii. Agrees to receive a further report in October setting out the York Central Partnership proposed master plan including a recommended access option and presenting the formal YCP partnership agreement for Executive to consider; and
- iii. Recommends to Council that a budget of £37.4m be approved for the York Central Transport improvements funded from the West Yorkshire Plus Transport Fund grant.

Reason: To ensure the delivery of York Central and to ensure that a range of access options have been considered.

8. PROPOSED YORK OUTER RING ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – APPROACH TO DELIVERY

Resolved: That the Executive proposes to Full Council that a budget of £34.2m be approved for the York Outer Ring Road improvements funded from the West Yorkshire Plus Transport Fund grant.

Reason: To confirm the detailed allocation within the budget for the delivery of the Outer Ring Road Upgrade scheme in accordance with the previous Council Decision taken in December 2016.

9. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR SECURITY SERVICES

Resolved: That the Executive agree to delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Customer & Corporate Services to enter into contracts with the proposed supplier for the Provision of Security Services and CCTV Operatives and Equipment (Corporate Security Services).

Reason: To enable the Council to achieve Best Value by maximising the available budget; transfer risks and responsibilities for CCTV security to the appointed supplier so it resides with an experienced, accredited and skilled supplier; and ensure consistency of service provision across the Council.

10. ESTABLISHING AN INVESTMENT BUDGET FOR A STRATEGIC COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION

Resolved: That the Executive:

- i. Recommends to full Council:-

the establishment of a capital budget of £15m, to be financed initially from borrowing, to fund the acquisition of freehold interest in a portfolio of city centre commercial property assets.

to agree that any future capital receipts not currently assumed in the Capital strategy, be allocated to fund the purchase, thereby reducing in time the associated borrowing related to the investment. This will be updated in capital monitor reports in the future.

- ii. Agrees to bring back to Executive a due diligence report prior to completion of the acquisition.

Reason: To ensure the ongoing economic vibrancy of the city centre and increase the income from the council's commercial property portfolio in order to achieve budget targets.

11. CITY OF YORK LOCAL PLAN

Resolved: That the Executive agrees:

- (i) That on the basis of the housing analysis set out in paragraphs 82 - 92 of the report, the increased figure of 867 dwellings per annum, based on the latest revised sub national population and household projections published by the Office for National Statistics and the Department of Communities and Local Government, be accepted.

That the recommendation prepared by GL Hearn in the draft Strategic Housing Market Assessment, to apply a further 10% to the above figure for market signals (to 953 dwellings per annum), is not accepted on the basis that Hearn's conclusions were

speculative and arbitrary, rely too heavily on recent short-term unrepresentative trends and attach little or no weight to the special character and setting of York and other environmental considerations.

- (ii) That the employment land requirement included, arising from the draft ELR Addendum (Annex 2), be considered and agreed as the evidence base upon which the Local Plan should be progressed.
- (iii) That the increased figure to 867 dwellings per annum, be met by the changes to sites within Table 4 (page 21 of the report) and by the following changes to sites from Table 5 (page 22 of the report), the inclusion of Queen Elizabeth Barracks, Imphal Barracks, Nestle South, Grove House and the former Clifton Without Primary School, the deletion of Heworth Green North (H25) and Whiteland Field, Haxby (H54) and the change from a housing site to an employment site of Poppleton Garden Centre. The rest of the changes included in table 5 should not be included.

That the changes to employment sites highlighted in Table 6 (page 25 of the report) be accepted and to accept the following changes to sites listed in Table 7 (page 25 of the report) – the changes to York Central, the inclusion of Towthorpe Lines and Whitehall Grange, the inclusion of ST19 Land at Northminster Business Park based on the Preferred Sites Consultation (2016) position and the deletion of site ST6 – Land at Grimston Bar. The rest of the changes included in table 7 should not be included (the refers to the proposed extensions at ST26 and ST27 and two new sites listed).

- (iv) That the revised policy approach to Gypsy and Traveller provision highlighted within the report and Annex 9 be agreed.
- (v) That authority be delegated to the Assistant Director of Planning and Public Protection in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader to approve all housing and employment growth related policies (including site specific planning principles) and the non housing and employment site related policy modifications at schedule (Annex 7) in accordance with the approved evidence base.

That the Leader and Deputy Leader keep Group Leaders informed through Group Leaders meetings.

- (vi) That the Assistant Director of Planning and Public Protection in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader, be delegated to approve changes to the non-site related policy modifications schedule (Annex 7) following the completion of viability work.

That the Leader and Deputy Leader keep Group Leaders informed through Group Leaders meetings.

- (vii) That following the approval of the evidence base and policy in relation to housing and employment, authority be given to the Assistant Director of Planning and Public Protection in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader to produce a composite draft Local Plan for the purposes of consultation.

That the Leader and Deputy Leader keep Group Leaders informed through Group Leaders meetings.

- (viii) That the Assistant Director of Planning and Public Protection in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader be delegated the signing-off of further technical reports and

assessments to support the draft Local Plan including, but not limited to the SA/ SEA, Viability Study and Transport Assessment.

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- (ix) That the Assistant Director of Planning and Public Protection in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader be delegated authority to approve a consultation strategy and associated material for the purposes of a city wide consultation starting in September 2017 and to undertake consultation on a composite plan in accordance with that agreed strategy.

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- (x) That the Assistant Director of Planning and Public Protection in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader be delegated authority to approve a revised Local Development Scheme as per the timetable highlighted in paragraphs 98 to 101 of the report.

That the Leader and Deputy Leader keep Group Leaders informed through Group Leaders meetings.

Reason: So that an NPPF compliant Local Plan can be progressed.