



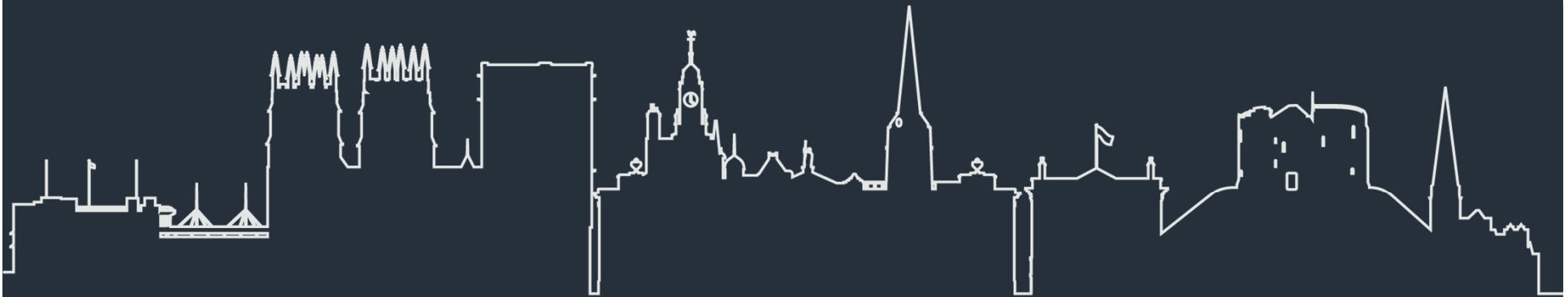
CITY OF  
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COUNCIL

# Audit & Governance Committee

Governance

15<sup>th</sup> July

Janie Berry, Director of Governance & Monitoring Officer



# Ability to make urgent decisions

- Introduced on 23<sup>rd</sup> March and remains in place
- Amendment to the constitution and use the existing delegated authority of the Interim Head of Paid Service in consultation with the Leader of the Council
- Decisions reported on the council's website



# Remote Meetings

From 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020, Regulations issued to allow for remote meetings until 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021; impact of this is:

- Further amendment to the Constitution (procedure rules) to allow for remote meetings
- Now delivering an increased range of meetings
- Recent amendment to public participation rules
- All amendments published in the council's website
- All remote meetings are live streamed via Youtube



# Amendments to the Constitution and Guidance

The following have all been published on the Council's website:

- Urgent Decision Making Guidance issued on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020;
- Remote Meetings Guidance and amendment to Standing Orders issued on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2020;
- Delivery of Scrutiny guidance issued on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2020;
- Amendments to Public Participation Rules issued on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020



# Current Practice

- All arrangements remain under constant review by the Monitoring Officer and Democratic Services
- Decision-making has largely returned to business as usual but the temporary amendments to the Constitution do remain in place
- Delivering a comprehensive range of Member meetings remotely
- Meetings calendar published until October 2020, and work on-going in planning for the remainder of the municipal year which will take into account the national position and any future guidance which may be published



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