
MEETING	EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ADVISORY PANEL
DATE	7 SEPTEMBER 2006
PRESENT	COUNCILLORS LANCELOTT (CHAIR), KING AND WALLER (EXECUTIVE MEMBER)
APOLOGIES	COUNCILLORS HALL AND POTTER

16. 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.

17. Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Annex 2 to Agenda Item 8 on the grounds that it contained information relating to the financial or business affairs for any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

REASON: This information is classed as exempt under Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to information) (Variation) Order 2006.

18. Minutes

REOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Member for Neighbourhoods and Advisory Panel held on 26 July 2006 be approved and signed by the Chair and Executive Member as a correct record.

19. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak at the meeting, under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

20. City of York Council Public Toilets

Members considered a report that detailed the current budgetary arrangements for public toilets and requested Members to approve proposed savings within those budgets, which are required due to new contractual arrangements.

Officers agreed to provide Members with data on the breakdown of costs of public toilets in the city to demonstrate the higher than average cost of the Union Terrace public toilets.

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to approve the instigation of savings proposals A and C1 as outlined in Table 3 of the report and to request a report on further considerations of toilet provision be brought to a future Executive Member for Neighbourhoods and Advisory Panel meeting.

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and the suggested decision above be endorsed

REASON: To ensure that expenditure will remain within present budget provision.

21. National Service Planning Requirements for Environmental Health and Trading Standards Services

Members considered a report which presented service plans for the 2006/07 period for food law enforcement, health & safety and animal health enforcement.

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to approve the service plans and that they be referred to Executive for their approval.

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and the suggested decision above be endorsed.

REASON: In order that the council meets the requirement of the FSA, HSC and DEFRA

22. European Sustainable Cities – Sustainable development in a historic city - Update

Members considered a report which provided an update on progress and activities relating to the Twin Towns event proposed for January/February 2007.

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to;
(i) note the contents of the report;

- (ii) give approval for work to continue on this event through the EU Town Twinning budget, or via alternative sources of funding;
- (iii) the event being conducted in partnership with the Energy Efficiency Advice Centre and amended according to funds that can be obtained.

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and the suggested decision above endorsed.

REASON: To raise awareness of sustainability issues and York.

23. 2006/07 First Quarter Monitoring Report - Finance and Performance

Members considered a report which represented two sets of data, the latest projections for revenue and capital expenditure by the Neighbourhoods portfolio and traded accounts, and Quarter 1 (06/07) performance against target for a number of key indicators.

Advice of the Advisory Panel:

That the Executive Member be advised to approve the financial and performance position of the portfolio and to welcome the dramatic increase in recycling levels in the city and to thank all officers in the department for the work that they have done to achieve this increase.

Decision of the Executive Member:

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and the suggested decision above be endorsed.

REASON: To accord with budgetary and performance monitoring procedures.

24. Neighbourhoods Group Legal Actions

Members considered a report which informed them of the results of legal actions (prosecutions, formal cautions and fixed penalties) undertaken by the Neighbourhoods area of the Directorate of Neighbourhood Services (Environmental Health, Trading Standards, Licensing and Street Environment Services) for the period 1st April 2006 – 30th June 2006.

Advice of the Advisory Panel:

That the Executive Member be advised to note the content of the report and thank the team for their efforts.

Decision of the Executive Member:

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and the suggested decision above be endorsed.

REASON: To inform the Executive Member.

CLLR WALLER
EXECUTIVE MEMBER

CLLR LANCELOTT
CHAIR OF ADVISORY PANEL
The meeting started at 5.00 pm and finished at 5.40 pm.