

CORPORATE DIRECTOR DECISION

Decision Title: Emergency Planning - Shared Service Agreement with North Yorkshire County Council 2021 – Pilot scheme until 2022

Type of Decision: Corporate Director Key Y Non-Key

Portfolio Area that decision relates to:			
Leader (in Policy & S&P)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Finance & Performance	
Deputy Leader & Transport	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Culture, Leisure & Comm	
Environment & Climate C	<input type="checkbox"/>	Children & Young P & Edui	
Economy & Strategic Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Health Adult Social Care	
Housing & Safety Neigh	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Background York Emergency Planning (EP) team experienced unprecedented demands during the Covid pandemic working closely alongside the Public Health teams to deliver the pandemic response alongside existing statutory responsibilities under the Civil Contingencies Act of 2002.

In summer of 2021, York Emergency Planning having had an employee resign, examined the resilience of existing staffing resources in light of the ongoing Pandemic, restructuring within the Councils senior management team taking place and the propensity of York to suffer winter flooding events.

Discussion as part of this process also took place with North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) that have a much larger Emergency Planning service as to the option to provide greater capacity and resilience for CYC, which they confirmed they were willing to provide on a pilot basis.

As a result of these deliberations Corporate Management Team agreed that a pilot period of utilising the greater NYCC capacity would provide the greatest continuity and capacity for CYC under the current circumstances.

Therefore a shared service agreement has been negotiated between the two Authorities including Out of Hours Duty Officer, Incident Response and Recovery and Business Continuity planning and the necessary Legal Agreement has been developed and agreed that expires March 2023 if 6 months' notice is given. This will coincide with the conclusion of Local Government Reorganisation in North Yorkshire.

This Officer decision therefore agrees to entering into the pilot shared service arrangements until September 2023 and that a report will be taken to Executive in summer 2022

The report will be submitted to Executive evidencing the outcome of the pilot arrangement and giving recommendations and options to either.

1. Terminate the arrangement allowing for a required 6 month termination process and revert to previous arrangements by 31st March 2023
2. Continue the arrangement for a shared service between the Authorities as a rolling 12 month agreement.

Implications: Crime & Disorder	<input type="checkbox"/>	Equalities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	
Human Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Legal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Highways	
Financial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ITT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Property	

Decision Date: 10 December 2021

Wards Affected:

All Wards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fishergate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Holgate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rural West York	<input type="checkbox"/>
Acomb	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fulford & Heslington	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hull Road	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strensall	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bishopthorpe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Guildhall	<input type="checkbox"/>	Huntington & New Earswick Micklegate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Westfield	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clifton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Haxby & Wigginton	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Wheldrake	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copmanthorpe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Heworth	<input type="checkbox"/>	Osbalwick & Derwent	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Heworth Without	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rawcliffe & Clifton	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

Decision:

- **Support Shared Service pilot arrangement until September 2022**
- **Report to Exec Members allowing sufficient time for decision by September 2022.**

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On Completion – Signed off by:

Date: 10 December 2021.



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