

## Shadow Executive comments on Executive business for 6th October

### Item 5 - Green Jobs Task Force

The Shadow Executive:

- Recommends that the council practices as it preaches, and looks at greening the organisation, for example, greener vehicles and improving the efficiency of its buildings, irrespective of the proposed move to a new HQ eg. Guildhall
- Supports the recommendation, however the Executive should note:-

It needs to adopt a definition of a 'green job' in order to measure success. There are three different strands:-

- existing jobs which become 'green' by lowering their carbon emissions
  - existing jobs that change their product to become 'green'
  - new jobs in green industries that are green though their processes
- Suggests CYC needs to take a positive lead and set distinct and measurable targets for itself to become a low carbon emitter
  - Believes CYC should promote households becoming low emission households by co-ordinating and underwriting large scale schemes of insulation and boiler replacement.
  - Believes the Executive should look to new innovative funding mechanisms funded by savings achieved/promised.
  - Highlights para 4 of the report not stating what steps are being taken to identify skills gaps and training opportunities - these need to be done as a matter of urgency.
  - Believes the council needs to move quickly to ensure that York is seen as the place to be - other cities are competing.
  - Notes it has taken almost 9 months for this report to come forward.