

CABINET

TUESDAY, 9 OCTOBER 2012

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Cabinet meeting held on Tuesday, 9 October 2012. 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 4.00pm on Thursday 11 October 2012.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Jill Pickering 01904 552061.

6. SALE OF THE HUNGATE SITE

- RECOMMENDED:
- i) That Council agree to commence negotiations for the sale of the Hungate site to the Hiscox development partner, Bidder 2.
 - ii) That Council delegate authority to the Director of Customer and Business Support Services the power to finalise an agreement for the sale of the land to Bidder 2 at a commercial market value being not less than the figure set out in Annex 2 of the report.
 - iii) Cabinet recommends to Council amendment of the capital programme financing, reducing capital receipts by £1.627m, with a corresponding increase in prudential borrowing.

- REASON: i) To promote the economic well being of the City by ensuring the creation of between 400-600 new jobs and realising a capital receipt to fund the capital programme.
- ii) & iii) To ensure the effective delivery of the capital programme.

7. ADMIN ACCOMMODATION PORTFOLIO - FURTHER PROPERTY RATIONALISATION

- RECOMMENDED: i) That Council agree the proposals for amending the design of Hazel Court to accommodate additional staff and an increased range of facilities.
- ii) That Council be requested to create a capital budget of £618k to be funded from revenue savings achieved by exiting the 3 additional buildings.

- REASON: i) To reduce the Council's Admin Accommodation portfolio and ensure the provision of suitable flexible workspaces for staff and partners in Hazel Court.
- ii) To ensure the effective delivery of the capital programme.

8. DELIVERY AND INNOVATION FUND - FUNDING DECISIONS

- RESOLVED: That Cabinet approve the following Delivery and Innovation Fund bids that have a value over £100k:
- Access York Phase 2 preparations – Yr 1 £105k/Yr 2 £70k, totalling £175k;
 - City of York Council-Science City York

Innovation Catalyst Programme – Yr
1 £165k/Yr 2 £165k, totalling £330k.

REASON: In order to support delivery of the council priorities and to facilitate the development of new and innovative ways of working.

9. CITY OF YORK LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agrees to:

- i) Instruct Officers to undertake the appropriate steps to produce a Local Plan for the City of York that is fully compliant with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other relevant statutes.
- ii) Note the costs identified within paragraphs 37 – 39 of the report, specifically the additional funding of £192k for years 2013/14 and £249k for 2014/15, the cost being considered as a part of the budget strategy report in February 2013.
- iii) The renaming of the working group as the Local Plan Working Group.

REASON: To produce a Local Plan for York that is fully compliant with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other relevant statutes in the timescale identified in the report.

10. ADOPTION OF A LOW EMISSION STRATEGY FOR YORK

RESOLVED: That Cabinet

- i) Approves option (a) and accepts the findings of the Low Emission Strategy (LES) consultation (detailed in paragraphs 19-25 of the report) and the resulting amendments to the

consultation draft LES.

- ii) Formally adopts the amended LES circulated with the report as York's first Low Emission Strategy.

REASON: This option will ensure York retains its reputation as a pioneer in the adoption of an overarching low emission strategy and stays in a good position to attract low emission vehicles, technologies and associated jobs ahead of other local authorities. It will allow work to commence on the development of a new low emission based Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP3) for the city and ensure low emission measures start to be delivered as soon as possible to improve air quality, protect public health and help meet CO₂ reduction targets.

11. DEVOLUTION OF MAJOR TRANSPORT SCHEME FUNDING

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree to the DfT being notified that York wishes to be included in the arrangements for a Local Transport Body for West Yorkshire and York, subject to agreement of the detailed Governance arrangements.

REASON: This approach offers the greatest potential to maximise the level of transport funding for York, particularly by realising the benefits of the Leeds City Region City Deal, and to align with economic investment to support growth.