

Meeting	Decision Session - Cabinet Member for Transport, Planning and Economic Development
Date	19 March 2015
Present	Councillor Levene

53. Declarations of Interest

The Cabinet Member was asked to declare any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, any prejudicial interests or any disclosable pecuniary interests which he may have in respect of business on the agenda. None were declared.

54. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the Decision Session held on 19 February 2015 be approved and signed by the Cabinet Member as a correct record.

55. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been two registrations to speak under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

Mr Derek Paterson spoke in respect of agenda item 4 (Petition – Additional Bus Stop between Rawcliffe Bar Park & Ride and the Shipton Road area). He stated that, although he was a member of Rawcliffe Parish Council, he was not speaking on behalf of the Parish Council as they had not been consulted regarding the petition. He stated that this had been a failing in process by the Council. Mr Paterson informed the Cabinet Member that, for the last four years, residents had approached the Parish Council regarding the bus stop and that the ward councillors were also aware of the issue.

Mr Mark Waudby also spoke in respect of agenda item 4. He stated that he was also a member of Rawcliffe Parish Council.

He informed the Cabinet Member that the petition was one of several attempts to get the bus stop reinstated. He gave details of other options, including placing a bus stop in the lay by. Mr Waudby stated that the Park & Ride facility should not be solely for the use of visitors to the city.

56. Petition - Additional Bus Stop between Rawcliffe Bar Park & Ride and the Shipton Road Area.

The Cabinet Member considered a report that provided options in response to a petition submitted to the Council requesting an additional bus stop between Rawcliffe Bar Park & Ride and the Shipton Road area.

In response to issues raised by the speakers under the Public Participation agenda item, officers clarified that the petition had been handled in accordance with the Council's agreed arrangements for dealing with petitions and that consultation with parish councils was not part of this process.

The Cabinet Member stated that he noted the comments that had been raised by the speakers under the Public Participation Scheme.

The Cabinet Member considered the following options detailed in the report:

Option A: Retain the current stopping arrangements

Option B: Construct a safe, fit-for-purpose setting-down stop inside the site entrance. A straight 20m length of hard standing and kerbs would be necessary, which would hinder maintenance access into the Country Park.

Option C: Reconstruct the northbound bus stop on Shipton Road immediately south of the Park & Ride site entrance to allow safe operation of articulated buses. The lay-by would be partially or wholly filled in, with a straight 20m length of kerb installed.

Referring to the financial implications for Option C outlined in the report the Cabinet Member stated that, in order to make an informed decision, a safety audit should be carried out so that

total costs could be ascertained. The Cabinet Member also referred to the retendering of the Park & Ride contract which was due to be carried out and requested that, as part of this process, discussions take place on the issue raised in the petition.

- Resolved:
- (i) That the Clerk to Rawcliffe Parish Council be emailed for the Parish Council's views on the petition.
 - (ii) That, in respect of Option C in the report, a safety audit be carried out to enable full costings to be obtained.
 - (iii) That, as part of the consultations for the retendering of the Park & Ride contract, discussions take place on the issue raised in the petition.
 - (iv) That a decision on the petitioners' request be reconsidered by the Cabinet Member once the retendering process for the Park & Ride contract had taken place.

Reason: To enable full information and costings to be obtained prior to a decision on the petition being taken.

57. City and Environmental Services Capital Programme - 2015/16 Budget Report

The Cabinet Member considered a report that set out the funding sources for the City and Environmental Services Transport Capital Programme, and the proposed schemes to be delivered in 2015/16. The report covered the Integrated Transport and City and Environmental Services Maintenance allocations.

It was noted that the City and Environmental Services Transport and Capital Programme budget for 2015/16 had been confirmed as £5,292k.

Resolved: That the proposed 2015/16 City and Environmental Services Transport Capital

Programme, as set out in the report and Annexes 1 and 2 of the report, be approved.

Reason: To implement the council's transport strategy identified in York's third Local Transport Plan and the Council Priorities, and deliver schemes identified in the council's Transport Programme.

Cabinet Member

[The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 5.45 pm].