

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR HOUSING & ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES
ADVISORY PANEL**

MONDAY, 8 DECEMBER 2008

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Housing and Adult Social Service EMAP held on Monday, 8 December 2008. 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 4pm on the second working day after this meeting – that is Wednesday 10 December 2008.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Catherine Clarke and Heather Anderson. (Tel Ext. 1031).

**4. APPROVAL OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR
HOUSING STRATEGY 2008 - 2013**

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to endorse the Private Sector Housing Strategy and recommend it to the Executive for approval.

Decision of the Executive Member

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

REASON: To ensure that the housing in York continues to be maintained and managed to a high standard

**5. HOUSING AND ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES
CAPITAL PROGRAMME – MONITOR 2**

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to :

- (i) Note the progress on schemes.
- (ii) Approve the variations set out in paragraph 8 of the report.

Decision of the Executive Member

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

REASON: To enable the effective management and monitoring of the Council's capital programme.

6. CHANGES TO THE DISABLED FACILITIES GRANTS PROGRAMME

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to :

- (i) Note the briefing provided regarding pressures on the adaptations budget in the current year and the forecasted potential impact on next year's budget.
- (ii) Approve option 1 – To revise the existing policy in line with the proposed policy changes relating to:
 - a) the general consent; and
 - b) access to the gardens.

Decision of the Executive Member

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

REASON: To ensure that vulnerable people remain independent and safe in their own homes by the provision of a fast and responsive service which provides value for money.

7. STRATEGY FOR THE COMMISSIONING OF SUPPORT TO PEOPLE WITH A PHYSICAL AND/OR SENSORY IMPAIRMENT

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to:

- (i) Approve the Strategy
- (ii) Seek further Officer reports on the implementation of the Strategy and progress towards the development of a Centre for Independent Living.

Decision of the Executive Member

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

REASON: To support the social inclusion and development of support to people with a physical or sensory impairment.

8. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONING STRATEGY 2008-2011

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to endorse the Mental Health Strategy and proposed action to support its delivery.

Decision of the Executive Member

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

REASON: To improve services for residents in York with mental health problems.

9. 2008/9 SERVICE PLANS AND BUDGET 2ND MONITOR REPORT

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to note the content of the report and the comments made by Members thereon.

Decision of the Executive Member

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

REASON: So that the Executive Member is briefed on the projected performance and financial outturns for Housing and Adult Social Services.

10. INDEPENDENCE, WELL BEING AND CHOICE – OUTCOME OF INSPECTION BY THE COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL CARE INSPECTION (CSCI)

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to:

- (i) Note the report on the inspection by the Commission for Social Care Inspection and the improvement plan presented to the meeting on the 20 October 2008.
- (ii) Receive a progress report on the improvement plan in six months time.

Decision of the Executive Member

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

REASON: (i) To enable formal consideration of the inspection's findings and the Council's response.
(ii) To ensure the effective scrutiny of the improvement plan.

11. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT OF ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES 2007/8

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to:

- (i) Note the report on the annual performance assessment of adult social care by Commission for Social Care Inspection.
- (ii) Agree to receive an Improvement Plan in January or February 2009.

Decision of the Executive Member

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

REASON: (i) To ensure that improvements achieved in 2006/7 are recognised by the Council and the Members are aware of the areas highlighted for improvement.
(ii) To ensure that progress is being made on the Key Areas for Development.

