

Meeting	Decision Session - Executive Leader (incorporating Housing & Safer Neighbourhoods)
Date	18 July 2016
Present	Councillor Carr (Executive Leader)
In Attendance	Councillor Hunter

8. Declarations of Interest

At this point in the meeting the Executive Leader was asked to declare if he had any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests in the business on the agenda. He declared he had none.

9. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the Decision Session held on 20 June 2016 be approved and then signed by the Executive Leader as a correct record.

10. Public Participation

It was reported that there were no registrations to speak under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

11. Homeless Review 2015 - 2016

The Executive Leader considered a report that addressed the activity governed by the Housing Act 1996, the Homelessness Act 2002 and the City of York Council's Homelessness Strategy 2013-2018 in respect of the financial year 2015/16.

The Service Manager for Housing Options and Homelessness was in attendance to give an update and discuss the performance targets and priorities achieved for 2015/16 and the

projects and priorities for 2016/17. The Executive Leader noted that:

- 630 homeless prevention cases were reported in 2015/16 which contributed to a reduction in statutory homeless from 103 to 91.
- The target for reducing number of households placed in temporary accommodation for 2015/16 was 62 but the actual outturn achieved was 53.

The Executive Leader agreed the targets and priorities for 2016/17 which included continued:

- work with the Community Safety Hub to reduce the number of rough sleepers and to tackle street drinking and begging.
- exploration/work with Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Trust to provide appropriate housing, housing support and hospital discharge process for people with mental health issues.
- work to achieve the Gold Standard Challenge.

Resolved:

- i. That the report be noted.
- ii. That the priorities and targets for 2016/17, as set out in paragraph 16 of the report, be agreed.

Reason: To ensure the council continues to meet its statutory responsibilities and supports the most vulnerable in society.

Cllr Carr, Executive Leader

[The meeting started at 3.00 pm and finished at 3.05 pm]