
Meeting	Decision Session - Executive Member for Transport and Planning
Date	14 July 2016
Present	Councillor Gillies (Executive Member)
In Attendance	Councillor D'Agorne

11. Declarations of Interest

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

12. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of Annex 5 to Agenda Item 5 (Definitive Map Modification Order application to add a footpath to the Definitive Map and Statement: Hoisty Field, Fulford) on the grounds that it contained information which was likely to reveal the identity of individuals. This information is classed as exempt under paragraph 2 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

13. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the last Decision Session held on 9 June be signed and then approved by the Executive Member as a correct record.

14. Public Participation - Decision Session

It was reported that there had been four registrations to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme and that a Member of Council had requested to speak.

Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) application to add a footpath to the Definitive Map and Statement: Hoisty Field, Fulford

Graham Cheyne, a local resident, expressed concern at the Officer's recommendation to make an order and circulated photos showing the location of the footpath. He stated that the Public Right of Way across the land had been used for many years.

Doreen Crawley, a local resident, informed the Executive Member that she had used the footpath across Hoisty Field twice a day for forty years to walk her dog and during that time had not been prevented from doing so.

City and Environmental Services Capital Programme – 2016/17 Consolidated Report

Dave Merrett made comments in regards to the Clarence Street Bus Improvement Scheme Scrutiny and hoped that elements of the capital programme would be maintained such as the Bus Priority scheme.

Revisions to the Strategic Cycle Route Network Evaluation and Prioritisation Methodology

Paul Hepworth, from Cycling UK informed the Executive Member that Cycling UK supported the proposals as they would be of benefit as they would cut journey times to cycling commuters. He confirmed that new developments within the city needed to connect up to the strategic cycle route network and that it was necessary for planning contributions to be obtained from developers to fund work on the network.

Councillor D'Agorne mentioned a number of the schemes included in the annexes to the Officer's report including;

- the Heslington East-City Centre scheme. He suggested that an alternative bus scheme in Heslington Village could be introduced.
- He requested that the following schemes be classified as priority and integrated within a transport strategy for the Local Plan:

- 5 -High Petergate / Low Petergate / Colliergate / Fossgate / Walmgate(or Lendal / Blake Street, Davygate, Parliament Street
- 6 -Museum Street /Lendal Bridge / Station Road
- 13- Castle Piccadilly Foss Bridge

Dave Merrett spoke about the geography and the provision for cyclists on the routes within the strategic cycle network in particular; he was supportive of identifying whole routes on the network, and was concerned about the number of cross routes which had been displayed. He added that most cycling routes were towards the city centre and did not identify which of the bridges they were crossing, and the facilities on the bridges for cyclists were poor, particularly for those who were less confident.

He also commented about overall national funding for cycling per head of population, as he felt too little had been spent. He urged the Executive Member to continue to lobby the government.

15. Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) application to add a footpath to the Definitive Map and Statement: Hoisty Field, Fulford.

The Executive Member considered a report which asked him to make a decision on whether an application for a Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) to add a public footpath to the Definitive Map and Statement at Hoisty Field, Fulford met the legislative criteria.

The Executive Member received an update that representations had been received from Fulford Parish Council and Councillor Aspden in support of making the order.

The Executive Member considered the comments raised by the public speakers and the written representation received.

In coming to his decision, the Executive Member stated that as there did not appear to be sufficient evidence of broad public use of the footpath across Hoisty Field.

Resolved: That approval be given to Option A, not to authorise the Assistant Director of Governance and ICT to make a Definitive Map Modification to add a footpath to the Definitive Map and Statement.

Reason: The supporting evidence of use does not meet the application criteria.

16. City and Environmental Services Capital Programme - 2016/17 Consolidated Report

The Executive Member received a report which informed him the proposed changes to the 2016/17 City and Environmental Services Transport Capital Programme to take account of carryover funding and schemes from 2015/16.

The Executive Member considered the comments raised by the public speaker before making his decision.

Resolved: (i) That the carryover schemes and adjustments set out in Annexes 1 and 2 of the Officer's report be approved.

(ii) That the increase to the 2016/17 City and Environmental Services (CES) Transport Programme Capital budget be noted, subject to the approval of the Executive.

Reason: To enable the effective management and monitoring of the Transport Capital Programme.

17. Consideration of the Objection received to the proposed amendments to the York Parking, Stopping and Waiting Traffic Regulation Order 2014 R46: Lawrence Street, Residents' Priority Parking

The Executive Member received a report which asked him to consider an objection to changes to the agreed highway layout for the Vita Student Accommodation development at 126 Lawrence Street (St Joseph's Convent); planning reference 14/0204.

It was noted that there had been an objection to the proposal from a local resident regarding the removal of parking adjacent to their property and the provision of flashing lights at the crossing. Officers confirmed that the crossing would not include flashing lights and that the disabled parking bay would be placed within 15 metres of the resident's house.

Resolved: That the proposal be implemented as advertised in the Traffic Regulation Order and a residential disabled parking bay to be provided should any resident affected require this amenity at the time of the works.

Reason: To facilitate the agreed highway works identified within the planning process whilst taking into account the special needs of any resident most affected by the works.

18. Revisions to the Strategic Cycle Route Network Evaluation and Prioritisation Methodology

The Executive Member received a report which updated him on revisions to the current methodology used for evaluating and prioritising the strategic cycle route network.

After having heard all the representations raised by the public speakers, the Executive Member stated that he supported cycling in the city and in regards to the strategic cycling network felt it was best to consider whole routes, rather than to take a piecemeal approach.

Resolved: That the amendments to the methodology for the evaluation and prioritisation of the strategic cycle route network be noted and approved.

Reason: To enable the revised methodology, network and prioritised list of schemes to be adopted as council policy and to become part of the emerging Local Plan.

19. Petition - "Safer Road Crossing for Bishopthorpe Road"

The Executive Member received a report which presented him with a petition signed by around 350 people requesting safer road crossing facilities for Bishopthorpe Road at its junction with Campleshon Road.

Officers reported that the lead petitioner had expressed support at some of efforts that had been made to rectify the current situation but had been concerned that a zebra crossing would not be implemented.

The Executive Member noted Councillor D'Agorne's comments in respect of this item.

Resolved: That Option (i) be approved and

- Officers continue in their development of proposals as part of this year's School Safety programme with a view to implement an appropriate scheme in this financial year

Reason: To improve pedestrian crossing facilities on Bishopthorpe Road at its junction with Campleshon Road.

Councillor Gillies, Chair

[The meeting started at 2.00 pm and finished at 2.30 pm].