



## Notice of meeting of

### Executive Member For Corporate Services and Advisory Panel

<b>To:</b>	Councillors Macdonald (Executive Member), Scott (Chair), Looker (Opposition Spokesperson), Moore and R Watson
<b>Date:</b>	Tuesday, 12 September 2006
<b>Time:</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	The Guildhall, York

## AGENDA

### Notice to Members - Calling In:

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in any item on this agenda, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group by:

**10:00 am on 11 September 2006**, if an item is called in *before* a decision is taken, *or*

**4:00 pm on 14 September 2006**, if an item is called in *after* a decision has been taken.

Items called in will be considered by the Scrutiny Management Committee.

### **1. Declarations of Interest**

At this point, members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

## **2. Exclusion of Press and Public**

To consider the exclusion of the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following:

Annexes A-C to Agenda Item 10 (National Non-Domestic Rates, Sundry Debtors, Council Tax and Overpaid Housing Benefit Accounts Submitted for Write-Off) on the grounds that they contain information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual and information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person. This information is classed as exempt under paragraphs 2 & 3 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

## **3. Minutes (Pages 1 - 6)**

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Member for Corporate Services and Advisory Panel held on 25 July 2006.

## **4. Public Participation**

**At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Executive Member's remit can do so. The deadline for registering is Monday 11 September 2006, at 10.00 am.**

## **5. Forward Plan Update (Pages 7 - 16)**

To receive an update on the Resources Directorate items which are listed on the Forward Plan.

**Executive Member to consider the advice of the Advisory Panel upon the following items of business and to make a decision on those items or to note the information as required:**

## **6. 2006/7 First Interim Report - Finance & Performance (Pages 17 - 40)**

This report presents the service and financial performance of the Resources Directorate, covering April to July 2006 inclusive.

**7. 2008 Pension Reforms - Government Proposals for Changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme** (Pages 41 - 58)

This report is a response to the Government's consultation on proposals for a new look Local Government Pension Scheme which will come into effect from 1 April 2008.

**8. Update on Efficiency Savings** (Pages 59 - 64)

This report gives an update on progress against the Gershon efficiency targets in the light of the 2005/06 out-turn and the 2006/07 forecast of efficiencies.

**9. DDA (Disability Discrimination Act) Performance Update** (Pages 65 - 72)

This report provides an update on the Council's response to the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA).

**10. National Non-Domestic Rates, Sundry Debtors, Council Tax and Overpaid Housing Benefit Accounts Submitted for Write-Off** (Pages 73 - 88)

This report seeks approval to write-off irrecoverable accounts, each one over £2,000 in value, for National Non-Domestic Rates, Sundry Debtors and Housing Benefit Overpayments. It also provides details of the value of other irrecoverable accounts under £2,000 that have been written-off under delegated authority in the current financial year.

**11. Review of the Council's Fraud and Corruption Prosecution Policy** (Pages 89 - 102)

This report seeks the Executive Member's approval for a revised policy for prosecuting individuals who have committed acts of fraud or corruption against the Council.

**12. Staff Warning Register: Extension of Access and Scope** (Pages 103 - 114)

This report recommends giving elected members access to the Staff Warning Register and proposes certain arrangements to ensure that its privacy safeguards are properly maintained. It also describes an extension of its scope to cover not only harm (and risk of harm) through violence, but alarm, harassment or distress (or the

risk) through behaviour described in the recently approved Violence and Aggression Policy.

**13. Any Other Matters which the Executive Member decides are urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.**

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