

## **CABINET**

**TUESDAY, 2 APRIL 2013**

### **DECISIONS**

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Cabinet meeting held on Tuesday, 2 April 2013. 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 **4.00pm on Thursday 4 April 2013**.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Jill Pickering (01904) 552061.

#### **5. REINVIGORATE YORK: PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR KINGS SQUARE**

**RESOLVED:**

That Cabinet agree to:

- i) The preferred design as set out at Option 1, paragraph 10 of the report, together with a proposed allocated project budget of £490,000 out of the already agreed funds of the overall Reinvigorate York programme.
- ii) The delegation of agreement of the final design details to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the appropriate Director.

**REASON:**

This is the preferred final design following a thorough analysis of public consultation and discussions with specialist officers and provides an improvement project with an adequate budget and avoids delay and potential risk of not completing the Reinvigorate York programme.

## **6. WASTE SERVICES - SERVICE DELIVERY OPTIONS 2012/13 AND 2013/14 FOLLOWING CONSULTATION**

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree to:

- (i) Approve the closure of Towthorpe HWRC every Wednesday throughout the year to take effect as soon as possible.
- (ii) Approve the removal of the garden waste service between November and March each year with effect from November 2013.
- (iii) Approve the introduction of an annual charge to residents of £35 for each additional garden waste bin.
- (iv) Delegate authority to officers to enter into alternative disposal arrangements where this is a financial benefit to the Council.
- (v) Tasks officers with preparing a business case for a food waste service.
- (vi) Task officers with continuing to monitor the potential for garden waste as a saleable commodity and for all, or part, of the service to be undertaken by a social enterprise or community group.

REASON: To enable the Council to meet its statutory and policy targets and continue to provide a high quality waste collection and disposal service that is financially sustainable and provides a robust base for future growth.

## **7. NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKING**

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree to:

- i) A refresh of the Community Contract as described in paragraph 20 of the report.
- ii) The distribution of ward credits as set out in paragraph 18 of the report.

- iii) The strategy to actively engage residents as described in paragraphs 11 and 12 of the report.

REASON: To actively engage York's residents in their wards.

## **8. HORSES - ENFORCEMENT POLICY**

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree the Protocol for the Management of Horses in York as set out at Annex 1 of the report.

REASON: To ensure that the Council has a robust, yet balanced approach to dealing with tethered horses.

## **9. EMBRACING DIVERSITY: A HATE CRIME STRATEGY FOR YORK**

RESOLVED: That Cabinet approve Option 1 to endorse the Hate Crime Strategy for York and give commitment to the key role that City of York Council will play in the implementation of the strategy and its associated work plans.

REASON: To ensure that the city has an effective approach to preventing Hate Crime and addressing the impacts of Hate Crime in a coordinated and victim centred manner.

## **10. FACING THE CHALLENGE OF POVERTY IN YORK**

RESOLVED: That Cabinet:

- i) Note the statistical data provided on the extent of poverty in the city set out in the report.
- ii) Agree to the population of the city-wide framework and to the

development of measures/activities to reduce poverty, to be brought back to Cabinet in June as proposals for further work.

- iii) Agree the emphasis in priority to those in poverty.

REASON: To address the issues of fairness and equality in the city.

## **11. MAXIMISING THE OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE GREEN DEAL IN YORK**

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree to approve Option 1 to proceed with the Leeds City Region scheme as a partner and proceed to full procurement stage.

REASON: To ensure that the council participate in a trustworthy scheme partnership with other local authorities and benefit from the economies of scale and by doing so improve take up and help to ensure that our more vulnerable residents are offered additional grant funding (through the 'Energy Company Obligation').

## **12. NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKING**

RECOMMENDED: That Council agree to the alteration of the Constitution to establish Resident Forums in place of Ward Committees, as described in paragraph 12 of the report, to include a revised mechanism to agree the allocation of ward funding, as described in paragraph 15 of the report.

REASON: To actively engage York's residents in their wards.