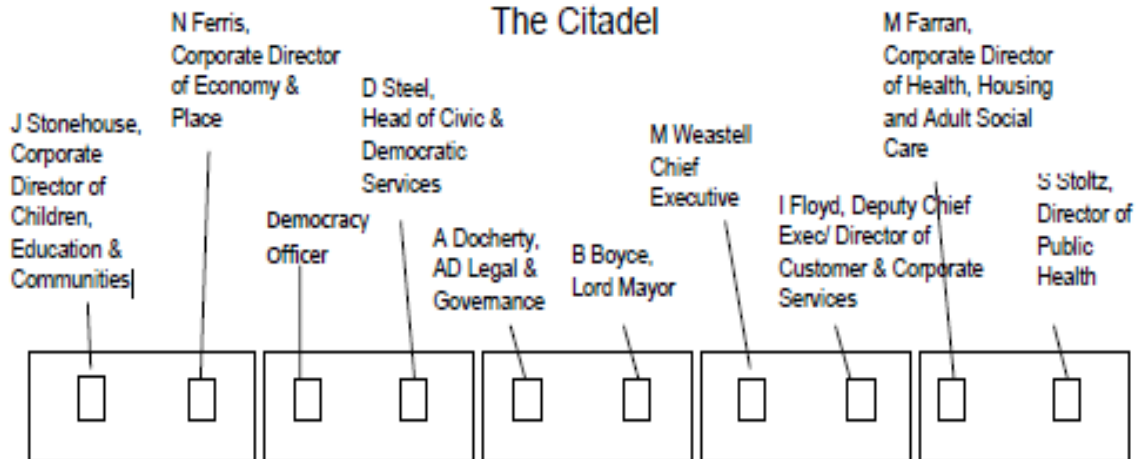


**CITY OF YORK COUNCIL
SUMMONS**

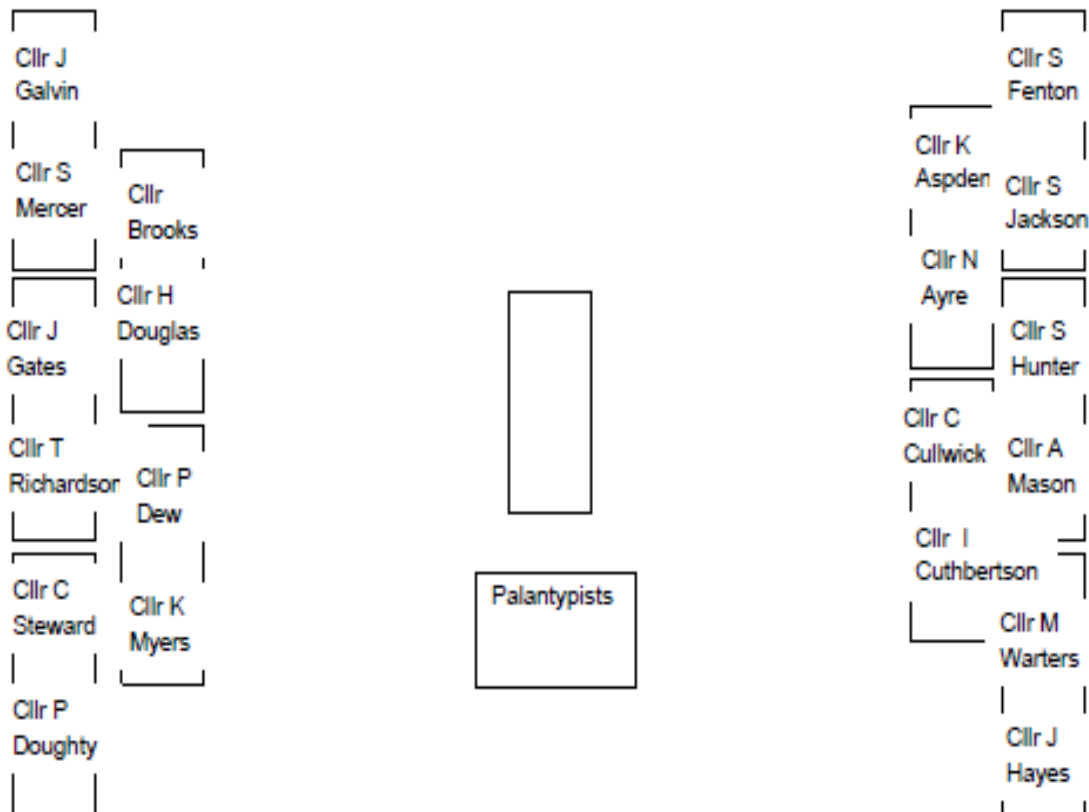
All Councillors, relevant Council Officers and other interested parties and residents are formally invited to attend a meeting of the **City of York Council** at **The Citadel, Gillygate, York**, to consider the business contained in this agenda on the following date and time

Thursday, 14 December 2017 at 6.30 pm

The Citadel



Cllr S Rawlings	Cllr S Lisle	Cllr I Gillies	Cllr D Carr	Cllr A Waller	Cllr A Reid	Cllr C Runciman	Cllr K Orrell
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Cllr N Barnes	Cllr H Shepherd	Cllr F Derbyshire	Cllr D Myers	Cllr J Looker	Cllr S Barnes	Cllr M Cannon	Cllr D Williams	Cllr A D'Agome	Cllr D Craghill
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Cllr J Flinders	Cllr J Crawshaw	Cllr M Wells	Cllr S Crisp	Cllr M Pavlovic	Cllr T Funnell	Cllr L Kramm	Cllr D Taylor
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A G E N D A

1. Declarations of Interest

At this point, Members are asked to declare:

- any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests
- any prejudicial interests or
- any disclosable pecuniary interests

which they may have in respect of business on this agenda.

2. Minutes (Pages 1 - 22)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Council meeting held on 26 October 2017.

3. Civic Announcements and Announcement of Lord Mayor and Sheriff Elect

To consider any announcements made by the Lord Mayor in respect of Civic business and the Lord Mayor will

- (a) Invite Council's nomination for the Lord Mayor Elect 2018/19 in line with the Council's Protocol for Nomination of Lord Mayors; and
- (b) Invite the Lord Mayor Elect for 2018/19 to announce the nominee for Sheriff for 2018/19.

4. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting, any member of the public who has registered to address the Council, or to ask a Member of the Council a question, on a matter directly relevant to the business of the Council or the City, may do so. The deadline for registering is **5:00pm on Wednesday 13 December 2017**.

To register to speak please contact the Democracy Officers for the meeting, on the details at the foot of the agenda.

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5. **Petitions**

To consider any petitions received from Members in accordance with Standing Order No.15. Notice has been received of one petition to be presented by:

- Cllr Warters, on behalf of Osbaldwick Ward residents, calling for the removal of the 20mph signs in Osbaldwick.

6. **Report of Executive Leader and Executive**

Recommendations and Questions (Pages 23 - 32)

To receive and consider a written report from the Leader and, to answer questions on the work of the Executive, and the Executive recommendations for approval, as set out below:

Meeting	Date	Recommendations
Executive	15 November 2017	Minute 86: Refresh of Housing Revenue Account Business Plan 2017 to 2047 http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=733&MId=10193&Ver=4
Executive	15 November 2017	Minute 87: Capital Programme – Monitor 2 2017/18 http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=733&MId=10193&Ver=4

7. **Report of Deputy Leader and Questions** (Pages 33 - 40)
To receive and consider a written report from the Interim Deputy Leader and, to question the Interim Deputy Leader thereon.
8. **Motions on Notice**
To consider the following Motions on Notice under Standing Order 22:

Motions submitted for consideration directly by Council, in accordance with Standing Order 22.1

(i) From Cllr Richardson

Non-recyclable materials

“Council notes:

There are significant environmental problems with disposing of single use plastics, which release toxic chemicals when they break down, are a non-recyclable material and therefore a waste of energy and economic value and also contribute significantly to waterway litter in York.

Council therefore requests the appropriate Scrutiny Committee to consider the merits of undertaking a scrutiny review in order to investigate the council’s use of single use plastics in its buildings, etc. and through its procurement arrangements and how the behaviour of others may be influenced in relation to this particular form of pollution in support of the coalition’s broader environmental policies.”

(ii) From Cllr Mason

Funding for Children & Young People in York

“Council notes:

That under the new Schools National Funding Formula, the Government is imposing real term cuts on schools

by freezing per-pupil funding while inflation and school costs, such as staff salary costs, employer pension and national insurance contributions, which affect all schools and academies, increase.

That schools in York are set to remain the lowest funded, when compared to any other local authority area in the country.

That every child deserves the best possible start in life, and that an excellent education is pivotal to this, yet this Government's Funding proposals will make it difficult for schools to meet the increasing demand of pupil numbers or address the growing national crisis in teacher recruitment and retention.

The importance of the York Youth Council in providing a vital link between the Council and young people in facilitating a space where young people can actively engage in decisions which affect their future.

The excellent contribution of staff and youth councillors to the Youth Council in its activities to support young people across the City, particularly in their campaign efforts to protect and develop mental health support in local schools.

Council resolves:

- To write to the Secretary of State for Education to highlight that York continues to remain the worst funded local authority and ask for her to reconsider York's position.
- That the Council supports schools as much as possible during the implementation of the new National Funding Formula.
- That we urge the Executive to maintain funding to the York Youth Council, particularly its membership of the UK Youth Parliament, as part of a wider effort

to support children and young people.”

(iii) From Cllr D Myers

Construction Standards

“Council notes:

The ability of this council to influence standards within the construction industry through its procurement policies. It further notes some sub-standard practices historically within the industry that are likely to continue unless those procuring large contracts insist on basic minimum standards for every worker, whether directly or indirectly employed.

Council resolves:

To request the Executive to review the council’s procurement policies around construction contracts, with particular regard to health and safety, pay and benefits, employment rights and skills, (modelled on Construction Standards Charters adopted by fellow Yorkshire councils Barnsley, Bradford, Doncaster, Sheffield and Wakefield) in order that workers enjoy a reasonable level of protection and are safe and properly paid for the work they do.”

(iv) From Cllr Hayes

Arts, Culture and Creative Industries

“Council notes:

The importance of Arts, Culture and the Creative Industries for the City’s future, both from a social wellbeing and economic development perspective.

This is illustrated with a strong section in the Draft Local Plan on Arts and Culture, which recognises the importance of this to York’s future development.

The pending Scrutiny Report on the work of the various Arts, Culture and Heritage organisations in the city is keenly anticipated with forward looking recommendations of this cross party committee which is due to be presented to Executive.

We recognise the importance of the “Cultural Leaders Group” and other key decision makers. A cross party grouping of Councillors with a keen interest in Arts and Culture along with key advisors could help to lead the debate forward, and also help to ensure that residents from all sections of society are included in any decisions about the future of Arts and Culture in York.

Council therefore resolves to make a long-term commitment to maintaining cross party involvement in supporting and developing York’s Arts and Cultural offer.”

9. Questions to the Leader or Executive Members

To question the Leader and/or Executive Members in respect of any matter within their portfolio responsibility, in accordance with Standing Order 20.

10. Report of Executive Member (Pages 41 - 46)

To receive a written report from the Interim Executive Member for Culture, Leisure & Tourism and to question the Interim Executive Member thereon, in accordance with Standing Order 19.

11. Scrutiny - Report of the Chair of the Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee (Pages 47 - 50)

To receive a report from Councillor Williams, the Chair of the Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee on the work of the Committee.

12. Recommendations of the Audit and Governance Committee

Meeting	Date	Recommendations
Audit & Governance Committee	6 December 2017	To follow: Contract Procedure Rules Update http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ie/ListDocuments.aspx?CId=437&MId=9779&Ver=4

13. Appointments and Changes to Membership (Pages 51 - 52)

To consider appointments to the School Admission and/or Exclusion Appeals Panel as set out on the list attached to this summons.

14. Urgent Business

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

Democracy Officers

Catherine Clarke and Louise Cook (job share)

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City of York Council

Resolutions and proceedings of the Meeting of the City of York Council held in The Citidal, Gillygate, York on Thursday, 26th October, 2017, starting at 6.30 pm

Present: The Lord Mayor (Cllr Barbara Boyce) in the Chair, and the following Councillors:

Acomb Ward	Bishopthorpe Ward
K Myers S Barnes	Galvin
Clifton Ward	Copmanthorpe Ward
D Myers Wells	D Carr
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe Ward	Fishergate Ward
Fenton Mason Reid	D'Agorne Taylor
Fulford and Heslington Ward	Guildhall Ward
Aspden	Craghill Flinders Looker
Haxby & Wigginton Ward	Heworth Ward
Cuthbertson Gates Richardson	Boyce Williams
Heworth Without Ward	Holgate Ward
Ayre	Cannon Crisp Derbyshire

Hull Road Ward

N Barnes
Pavlovic
Shepherd

Huntington and New Earswick
Ward

Cullwick
Orrell
Runciman

Micklegate Ward

Crawshaw
Hayes
Kramm

Osbalwick and Derwent Ward

Brooks
Warters

Rawcliffe and Clifton Without Ward

Dew
Lisle
Rawlings

Rural West York Ward

Gillies
Steward

Strensall Ward

Doughty
Douglas

Westfield Ward

Hunter
Jackson
Waller

Wheldrake Ward

Mercer

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Funnell

30. Declarations of Interest

Members were invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, any prejudicial interests or any disclosable pecuniary interests they might have in the business on the agenda.

The following **personal** interests were declared:

<u>Councillor</u>	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Description of Interest</u>
Flinders	References to York Central project in following 3 items: 6 Report of Executive Leader 7. Report of Interim Deputy Leader 10. Report of Executive Member	Employed by Network Rail
Brooks	8 – Motions on Notice (ii) Library Services in York (from Cllr Cuthbertson)	Friend of Dunnington Library
Cannon	8 – Motions on Notice (ii) Library Services in York (from Cllr Cuthbertson)	Community member of Explore York
Cuthbertson	8 – Motions on Notice (ii) Library Services in York (from Cllr Cuthbertson)	Community member of Explore York

The following **prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary** interests were declared:

<u>Councillor</u>	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Description of Interest</u>
Cullwick	8 – Motions on Notice (iii)HMO Standards (from Cllr Pavlovic)	Manages some shared houses in the city (disclosable pecuniary interest)

31. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting of Council held on 20 July 2017 be approved and then signed by the Lord Mayor as a correct record.

32. Civic Announcements

The Lord Mayor announced that she had recently received three gifts during the course of her civic duties; a book from Münster, a scroll from Nanjing and a teapot from Chansa. The book and the scroll were available to view in the meeting room.

She went on to announce the launch of a calendar, called ‘York, a Different View’, which would shortly be on sale for £5 in outlets across the city, with all proceeds going to the Lord Mayor’s Charities.

33. Public Participation

Nine members of the public had registered to speak under public participation.

Gwen Swinburn, a local resident, spoke in relation to issues around governance and transparency and in particular regarding circumstances arising from an Audit & Governance Committee meeting, as well as the process for lodging complaints in line with the Standards Board procedures.

Michael Palmer, a hackney carriage driver, spoke in relation to Uber cabs in the city and expressed concerns about the operation of the company in York.

Keith Hatfield addressed the Council, also in relation to the Uber licence. He raised concerns about the way he believed the company had been operating.

Mick Robertson-Moss also spoke in relation to Uber. He reminded Members of the importance for taxi drivers to have a good knowledge of the local area and asked Members to note that drivers were often required to carry vulnerable passengers.

Wendy Loveday, a local resident, spoke in relation to the report of the Executive Member for Transport and Planning with specific regard to the comments he had made on taxis. At this point, Cllr Gillies made a personal statement to Council in response to comments the speaker had made about him personally.

Louise Ennis spoke raising concerns regarding the legitimacy of the Planning Committee decision on 18 October to approve the demolition of the Carlton Tavern. In her opinion, the tavern was an important landmark of worth to the people of York and to the community which had been listed as an asset of community value earlier in the year. As a result, she urged the Council to allow a fuller debate on the future of the Carlton Tavern.

Although, Mr Chris Barrett had registered to speak at the meeting he had had to give his apologies and was not in attendance.

Honorary Alderman Brian Watson spoke in relation to the report of the interim Deputy Leader and in relation to the community stadium. He welcomed the Deputy Leader's comments on the consultation of the local plan and inclusion of Castle Gateway area but reiterated his concerns, raised at the previous meeting, that only Guildhall Ward, and not other wards in the city, had received a presentation on this by the project team.

Norbert Lawrie addressed the Council on behalf of NFA (No Fixed Abode) in relation to Cllr Craghill's motion on homelessness in York. He stressed the importance of raising awareness of homelessness and expressed his thanks to councillors for supporting a recent rally. He urged the Council to look at options and the need for longer term plans to be put into action.

34. Petitions

Under Standing Order 15, the following petition was presented by Cllr Flinders, for reference to the Customer and Corporate

Services Scrutiny Management Committee, in accordance with the Council's arrangements for petitions:

- A petition on behalf of residents of Guildhall Ward, calling for a safe crossing on Lowther Street.¹

Action Required

1. Refer to Customer and Corporate Services CC
Scrutiny Management Committee

35. Report of Executive Leader and Executive Recommendations and Questions

A. Executive Leader's Report

A written report on the work of the Executive was received from the Executive Leader, Cllr Carr.

Members were then invited to question Cllr Carr on his report and questions were received from the floor from the following Members in relation to the subjects listed:

- Cllr Flinders – provision of housing through local plan
- Cllr Kramm – York Central and position of CYC in York Central Partnership
- Cllr Crawshaw – concern over levels of York schools pupil funding

Cllr Carr responded directly to all the questions put to him, including supplementary questions.

B. Executive Recommendations

Investment in New Extra Care Accommodation for Older People at Marjorie Waite Court following closure of Burton Stone Lane Community Centre

Cllr Carr moved, and Cllr Waller seconded, the following recommendation contained in Minute 51 of the Executive meeting held on 31 August 2017:

“Recommended : That the Executive recommend to Council that the estimated £6.667m of gross cost for the

Marjorie Waite Court extension and the community facilities are added to the Capital Programme with the costs to be funded from the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) investment reserve, recycled right to buy receipts, other Housing Capital Receipts and capital held by the Older Persons' Accommodation Programme for the purpose of expanding the provision of accommodation with care with the receipts received from the sale of Older People's Shared Ownership properties being used to reduce the gross cost of the scheme.

Reason: In order to deliver a more cost-effective community facility service and increase the supply of Extra Care accommodation with care to address the changing needs and aspirations amongst York's older population and ensure that more can choose to live independently at home."

On being put to the vote, the recommendation was declared CARRIED and it was

Resolved: That the above recommendation in respect of funding new Extra Care accommodation at Marjorie Waite Court be approved. ¹

Quarter 1 Capital Programme Monitor

Cllr Carr moved, and Cllr Waller seconded, the following recommendation contained in Minute 52 of the Executive meeting held on 31 August 2017:

"Recommended: That Executive recommend to Full Council the adjustments resulting in a decrease in the 2017/18 budget of £14.065m, as detailed in the report and contained in Annex A.

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

On being put to the vote, the recommendation was declared CARRIED and it was

Resolved: That the above recommendation in respect of the Quarter 1 Capital Programme be approved.²

Minerals and Waste Joint Plan – Submission

Cllr Carr moved, and Cllr Waller seconded, the following recommendations contained in Minute 74 of the Executive meeting held on 19 October 2017:

“Recommended:

1. That Full Council approve the Submission Draft of the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan for York, North Yorkshire and North York Moors National Park (comprising the Publication draft Plan (2016) accompanied by the Addendum of Proposed Changes (2017) for submission for examination;
2. The Director of Economy and Place in consultation with the Executive Member for Transport and Planning and Interim Deputy Leader & Executive Member for Environment , be authorised to make non-substantive editorial changes to the Submission Draft and other supporting documents proposed to be submitted alongside the Plan; and
3. The Director of Economy and Place in consultation with the Executive Member for Transport and Planning and Interim Deputy Leader & Executive Member for Environment , be authorised to agree any further or revised responses or proposed changes during the Examination period.

Reason: So that a National Planning Policy Framework compliant Joint Waste and Minerals Plan can be progressed.”

On being put to the vote, the recommendations were declared CARRIED and it was

Resolved: That the above recommendations in respect of the Minerals and Joint Waste Plan be approved.³

Action Required

1. To note Council approval for investment into new RW extra care accommodation for older people at

Marjorie Waite Court

2. To note Council approval of the adjustments resulting in a decrease in 2017-18 budget of £14,065m in relation to capital programme. DM

3. To note Council approval of submission draft of Minerals and Waste Joint Plan and associated recommendations MS

36. Report of Interim Deputy Leader and Questions

A report was received from Cllr Waller, the Interim Deputy Leader, on his portfolio area.

Members were then invited to question Cllr Waller on his report and questions were received from the floor from the following Members in relation to the subjects listed:

- Cllr Taylor –York Central consultation – concern over lack of transparency and query about making it a car free development
- Cllr Mason – Update on work on Foss Barrier
- Cllr Danny Myers – update on discussion with defence infrastructure organisation
- Cllr Warters – levels of proposed development in the city

Cllr Waller responded directly to all the questions put to him, including supplementaries.

37. Motions on Notice

Motions submitted for consideration directly by Council, in accordance with Standing Order 22.1

(i) Devolution for York

(Proposed by Cllr Rawlings and seconded by Cllr Carr)

“Council notes:

- That York has been closely involved with the ongoing negotiations seeking a resolution regarding devolution arrangements for Yorkshire;

- The council's position at these meetings has been to ensure that York plays a central role in the outcome of whatever 'devolution deal' eventually emerges from these talks and has at all times kept the interests of York residents and business at the heart of its discussions with the other Yorkshire authorities.

Council therefore endorses continuing negotiations with other Yorkshire authorities, and recognising that a separate South Yorkshire deal is now highly likely, would therefore prefer a Greater Yorkshire solution incorporating as much of Yorkshire's historic North, East and West Ridings as possible which will benefit York Residents and the county as a whole.

The Council will therefore support the continuing efforts of the Council Leader in his negotiations."

Notice had been received of two amendments, the first from Cllr Aspden and the second from Cllr S Barnes.

Amendment from Cllr Aspden

"After the 2nd paragraph, **insert:**

'Council recognises:

- 1. The requirement for cross party support in York and across the region for a meaningful and long-lasting devolution of decision making from central Government.*
- 2. The need to continue negotiations with other Yorkshire authorities in an open and transparent nature.*
- 3. The positive input recently from the debate in the House of Commons called by John Grogan MP (Keighley but formerly Selby) on 10th October 2017 seeking an all party solution.*
- 4. The need to clarify York's position given recent misrepresentations in the media.*

In the third paragraph, after 'Yorkshire authorities' **insert:** *'to enable the maximum geographic coverage of the historic boundaries to be included in a long lasting solution'* and then **delete** the rest of the paragraph.

Delete the final paragraph and **insert:**

'Council requests that a report to the Executive establishes a clear means for proper negotiations with other authorities and meaningful consultation with York residents.'

Amendment from Cllr S Barnes:

“At the end of the second paragraph, **insert:**

- *'That the devolution landscape in Yorkshire is such that no one outcome is currently certain.'*
- *'The strong support of the CBI for a devolution deal for Yorkshire on the largest scale possible'*

Make the following **deletions** and **additions** to the 3rd paragraph:

- In the first line, **delete** *'continuing'*, **delete** *'other'* and **insert** *'all'*
- In the second and third lines, **delete** all from *'and recognising'* to *'prefer'*, **insert** a full stop after *authorities'* and then **insert** *'Council further recognises that while'*
- In the fifth line, **delete** *'as'* and **insert** *'remains'* and after *'possible'* **insert** *'a One Yorkshire deal'*
- At the end, after *'whole'*, **delete** the full stop and **insert** *'and which residents can better identify with, should be actively pursued as York's first priority'*.

In the final paragraph, **delete** *'continuing'*, and **delete** *'his'* and **insert** *'such'.*”

Cllr Aspden sought Council's consent to alter his amendment so that the original motion, if amended, would read as follows:

“Council notes:

- The strong support of the CBI for a devolution deal for Yorkshire on the largest scale possible;
- That York has been closely involved with the ongoing negotiations seeking a resolution regarding devolution arrangements for Yorkshire.
- The council's position at these meetings has been to ensure that York plays a central role in the outcome of whatever 'devolution deal' eventually emerges from these talks and has at all times kept the interests of York residents and business at the heart

of its discussions with the other Yorkshire authorities.

Council recognises:

1. The need to continue negotiations with other Yorkshire authorities in an open and transparent nature.
2. The need for cross-party working at both a local and regional level to achieve a meaningful and long-lasting devolution settlement from Government.

Council therefore endorses continuing negotiations with all other Yorkshire authorities to enable the maximum geographic coverage, within existing Yorkshire boundaries, to be included in a long lasting solution.

Council recognises the potential advantages of a 'One Yorkshire' devolution deal and requests the Executive work with partners regionally and in national government to ensure that this option and its deliverability is fully explored.

Council further requests that the Executive establishes publicly a clear means for proper negotiations with other authorities and meaningful consultation with York residents.”

Following Council's agreement to his alteration, Cllr Aspden then moved his amendment, as altered and detailed above.

Cllr S Barnes then sought Council's consent to withdraw the original amendment in his name.

Following Council's agreement to the withdrawal of his original amendment, Cllr S Barnes then seconded Cllr Aspden's amendment, as altered above.

On being put to the vote the amendment, as altered, was declared CARRIED.

The motion, as amended (by the altered amendment), was then put to the vote and declared CARRIED and it was

Resolved: That the motion, as amended (by the altered amendment), be approved as set out below.¹

“Council notes:

- The strong support of the CBI for a devolution deal for Yorkshire on the largest scale possible;
- That York has been closely involved with the ongoing negotiations seeking a resolution regarding devolution arrangements for Yorkshire.
- The council’s position at these meetings has been to ensure that York plays a central role in the outcome of whatever ‘devolution deal’ eventually emerges from these talks and has at all times kept the interests of York residents and business at the heart of its discussions with the other Yorkshire authorities.

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Council further requests that the Executive establishes publicly a clear means for proper negotiations with other authorities and meaningful consultation with York residents.”

(ii) Library Services in York

(Proposed by Cllr Cuthbertson and seconded by Cllr Fenton)

“Council notes:

The importance of library services to the residents of York in supporting lifelong learning and development and providing access to information and advice, regardless of personal circumstance.

The vital role that libraries fulfil in providing a focal point for people of all ages and backgrounds to meet and share ideas and experience.

The important contribution made by volunteers and friends groups in supporting the provision of library services across the city.

The beneficial effect that volunteering can have on personal wellbeing.

The intention of City of York Council to consult residents on a potential 'vision' for the future of York's library service, to inform a specification for the next contract period.

Council resolves:

To urge the Executive to consult on a proposed vision for the future that includes the provision of locally-based and sustainable library services that meet residents' needs and a commitment that there will be no reduction in the total number of staffed libraries across the city."

Cllr Wells moved, and Cllr Crisp seconded, an amendment to the above motion, as follows:

"After the first paragraph **insert**:

- *The successful transfer of the libraries service in 2014 to an independent mutual model that ensured every library in the city was protected.*

In the third paragraph, **delete** the second word, '*important*', and **insert** '*essential*'; **insert** '*sustainable*' before '*library*' and at the end, after '*city*', **insert** '*following huge cuts to local government funding since 2010*'.

In the paragraph after 'Council Resolves' **insert**, after '*library services*', '*under a community benefit ownership model*'."

On being put to the vote, the amendment was declared CARRIED.

Cllr Mercer then moved, and Cllr Brooks seconded, a further amendment, as follows:

“In the last paragraph after ‘Council Resolves’ **insert** a full stop after ‘needs’ and **delete** the rest of the sentence.

On being put to the vote, this amendment was declared LOST.

A vote was then taken on the original motion, as altered by Cllr Wells’ amendment, which was CARRIED and it was

Resolved: That the original motion, as altered by Cllr Wells’ amendment, be approved as set out below. ²

“Council notes:

The importance of library services to the residents of York in supporting lifelong learning and development and providing access to information and advice, regardless of personal circumstance.

The successful transfer of the libraries service in 2014 to an independent mutual model that ensured every library in the city was protected.

The vital role that libraries fulfil in providing a focal point for people of all ages and backgrounds to meet and share ideas and experience.

The essential contribution made by volunteers and friends groups in supporting the provision of sustainable library services across the city following huge cuts to local government funding since 2010

The beneficial effect that volunteering can have on personal wellbeing.

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Council resolves:

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(i) HMO Standards

(Proposed by Cllr Pavolvic and seconded by Cllr Derbyshire)

"Council believes all housing should meet a basic minimum standard that provides safe living accommodation for those that occupy it, and that there is currently a significant requirement for the private rented sector (PRS) to meet local housing need.

Council notes:

- previous steps taken to improve housing standards in York and to create balanced communities through the introduction of mandatory licensing for large 'Houses in Multiple Occupation' (HMOs);
- the significant rise in recent years in the number of smaller HMOs that do not currently require licensing;
- an estimated 23% of PRS properties in York containing category 1 hazards (posing a serious and immediate risk to a person's health and safety);
- cross-party support on City of York Council for extended licensing of HMOs at the May 2016 call-in meeting on the Private Sector Housing Strategy.

Council believes that, to ensure clear standards are maintained within the PRS, licensing should be extended as a valuable step towards achieving this goal.

Council resolves:

To request that the Executive undertakes a review of the evidence supporting the case for extended licensing across a proportion of the city (where the density of HMOs is the

greatest) to assess the case for the introduction of additional discretionary HMO licensing.”

On being put to the vote, the motion was declared CARRIED unanimously and it was

Resolved: That the motion, as set out above, be approved.

(ii) Homelessness in York

(proposed by Cllr Craghill, seconded by Cllr Kramm)

“Council is appalled by the growing homeless crisis nationally and here in York and notes with regret the following:

- The recent sudden death on the streets of York of one of our long term rough sleepers;
- A report published in August this year by ‘Crisis’, the national charity for homeless people, which shows that almost a quarter of a million people are experiencing the worst forms of homelessness across Britain, with rough sleeping set to rise by 76% in the next 10 years unless policies are changed;
- The fact that the official number of street homeless in York rose from 2 in Nov. 2011 to 18 in 2015 and has stayed at that level for the last two years;
- The lack of sufficient temporary accommodation in York and the lack of sufficient affordable one bedroom homes for people to move into.

Council acknowledges the achievement of the Council’s Housing Options team in being awarded a ‘Gold Award’ for their work and the large number of people inside and outside the Council in the voluntary and community sector striving to support people who are homeless.

However, Council is concerned that clearly something isn’t working and more needs to be done. Council therefore resolves to call for an urgent report to Executive to consider options on the following:

- Immediate measures to provide additional temporary accommodation and avoid if at all possible any further deaths on our streets this winter;
- Any further measures that can be actioned in a short/medium timescale to prevent this crisis from spiralling out of control in York. These might include an extension of the Housing First model; the provision of daytime facilities in the city centre to improve the health of people who find themselves on the streets; and the options for closer working with partners across the region to improve outcomes for homeless people.
- Plans for engagement with people living on the streets, in temporary accommodation and other homeless people to learn from their views and ideas.”

Cllr Lisle moved, and Cllr Galvin seconded, an amendment to the motion, as follows:

“In the first paragraph:

delete *‘and here in York’* and *‘with regret’*

insert the following additional bullet points, in the order indicated:

- *‘The tragic statistic that the life expectancy of a rough sleeper is 30 years below average (2nd bullet point)*
- *That engagement with services is the best way for individuals to break the cycle of rough sleeping (4th bullet point)*
- *The successful ‘No Second Night Out’ policy operated in York (5th bullet point)*
- *The £10.5m investment into new temporary homeless accommodation by this administration with the purchase of James House to replace the outdated facilities at Ordinance Lane (7th bullet point)*
- *The severe weather scheme for the winter months already operated by the council’. (8th bullet point)*

Delete the last bullet point, beginning *'The lack of sufficient temporary accommodation in York'*.

In the second paragraph, after *'Council acknowledges the'*, insert *'significant'*.

In the 3rd paragraph, delete everything after *'Council'* and insert:

'recognises that more always needs to be done and therefore asks for a report to the Executive following up on its Homeless Review 16/17 which was reported to the Executive Member for Housing and Safer Neighbourhoods in July 2017 and the Homelessness Strategy set out in the multi-agency 'A City Partnership to Prevent Homelessness 2013-2018' regarding any further measures which could further assist homeless individuals in York'.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was declared LOST.

The original motion was then put to the vote and declared CARRIED and it was

Resolved: That the original motion, as set out below, be approved.

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Action Required

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| 1. Deputy Chief Exec/Director of Customer and Corporate Services to take forward actions requested in motion (i) Devolution for York | IF |
| 2. Corporate Director of Children, Education and Communities to take forward actions requested in motion (ii) Library Services in York | JS |
| 3. Corporate Director of Economy and Place to take forward actions requested in motion (iii) HMO Standards | NF |
| 4. . Corporate Director of Economy and Place to take forward actions requested in motion (iv) Homelessness in York | NF |

38. Questions to the Leader or Executive Members

At this point in the meeting the guillotine fell, and remaining matters were deemed moved and seconded as required under the Constitution. No questions were therefore put to the Leader or Executive Members in respect of any matter within their portfolio responsibility in accordance with Standing Order 20.

39. Report of Executive Member

Council received a written report from Cllr Gillies, Executive Member for Transport and Planning.

As the guillotine had already fallen, no questions were put to the Executive Member on his report in accordance with Standing Order 19 and it was:

Resolved: That the report be received and noted.

40. Scrutiny - Report of the Chair of the Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee

Council received the report of the Chair of the Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee on the work of the Committee since the last report to Council in July 2017 and it was:

Resolved: That the report be received and noted.

41. Appointments and Changes to Membership

Resolved: That the appointment of additional school admission/exclusion appeals panellists as set out in the council agenda papers, be approved.

Cllr Barbara Boyce
LORD MAYOR OF YORK

[The meeting started at 6.30 pm and concluded at 9.55 pm]

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LEADER'S REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL: DECEMBER 2017**Visits and Events**

In October, I was pleased to host the visit to York of the Israeli Ambassador, Mr Mark Regev with whom I paid a visit to Clifford's Tower; a structure which the Ambassador emphasised stands as a poignant reminder, albeit long ago, of the dark forces that antisemitism and bigotry can unleash.

In the same month, I was proud to attend, alongside members of the civic party and other Council colleagues, the Community Pride Awards ceremony, an important event in the Council calendar which recognises those in our communities who, unbidden and voluntarily, make a supreme effort to improve the lives of others.

Also in October, I attended a reception at the Principal Hotel as part of a day-long visit by the Manchester Chinese Delegation to York headed by Dr Sun Dali, the Consul-General. The Delegation included a wide range of senior Chinese business and cultural representatives and I was delighted to be introduced and foster relationships with those present.

The formal media launch of the Shakespeare Rose Theatre project took place at the end of October and, as might be expected of an event arranged by a theatrical production company, this was an exciting and entertaining piece of theatre in itself. I delivered a speech which centred on the cultural importance to our City of this innovative project and the legacy it would leave, particularly for younger people.

Last month, the Secretary of State for Transport, the Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP, visited York and I was able to have a wide ranging discussion with him centred mainly on rail transport, including the size and urgency of investment in trans-Pennine infrastructure and rolling stock, improvements to the York to Harrogate line, and the significant progress now being made on the York Central project.

Also in November, I was pleased to attend the formal launch by Indie York of their Map and Interactive Website, following the successful

introduction of their Phase 1 pilot scheme a year ago. Indie York is supported by the York BID and is a thriving association of independent businesses with presently 150 members and a growth target of 200 by the end of this financial year. Some 12,500 maps have been distributed already and there is significant social media activity regarding this initiative. Over 50 independent businesses were represented at the launch which serves to underline the contribution small and independent businesses make to the economic health of York and the need to ensure they are supported and facilitated.

York: Gigabit City

At the beginning of November, a further stage of the roll-out of the Ultrafast Fibre Optic broadband network in the City was announced. Funded both by Government and the private sector, this investment will make York one of the first, if not the first, cities in the UK to have a city-wide ultra fibre optic network, thus fulfilling the Council's ambition in making our City a true 'Gigabit City', a city in which a resilient, future-proofed, full fibre infrastructure is available to serve businesses, consumers, public-sector facilities, and mobile operators. A gigabit is 1000 Mbps and is one hundred times faster than standard broadband.

This level of ultra-fast and reliable internet connectivity will be a major factor in creating new jobs in the City, facilitating business growth, and making York an enviably prime location in the competition for inward investment. Over 125km of full fibre infrastructure is being rolled out in the city and as well as improving connectivity for businesses, this is supporting the UK's largest trial of 'fibre-to-the-home' with 15,000 homes already connected, and a further 40,000 homes targeted for connection in the next two years.

On a related note, the Council has recently won £2.85m of government funding for our revolutionary Smarter Travel Evolution Programme (STEP). Starting in April 2018, STEP is a cutting edge technology and will take advantage of York's ultra fast fibre optic connectivity by anonymously tracking vehicle movements from street-mounted detectors to transform the way the Council manages traffic lights, traffic

flows, the design of junctions, and more strategic traffic modelling and infrastructure planning. This will lead to improvements in air-quality and congestion, and will help to pave the way for the introduction of driverless vehicle technology in the City.

Yorkshire Devolution

Since the last Full Council, along with other neighbouring local authorities and interested parties, I have been promoting the case with the Secretary of State and the Minister for the Northern Powerhouse and Local Growth, for a devolution model for Yorkshire on the basis of a 'One Yorkshire' geography (covering North, East and West Yorkshire, plus Barnsley and Doncaster).

Government's response is however crystal clear; it expects the Sheffield City Region (SCR) devolution deal to proceed to conclusion and to include all four of that region's local authorities, ie. Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley, and Doncaster, in line with previously expressed commitments made by all of those four.

Furthermore, Government regards of overriding importance the need to maintain the integrity and cohesion of South Yorkshire (SCR) (where, for example, transport has been integrated for over 40 years) and has firmly restated it will not agree to any devolution arrangements which would fragment the Sheffield city region by allowing Barnsley and Doncaster to be included in a 'One Yorkshire' model. This despite the fact that both Barnsley and Doncaster Councils are each carrying out community polls to identify preferences for 'One Yorkshire' or Sheffield City Region, both councils having stated they will respect the outcome.

The consequences of the Government's position and the responses to it from all Yorkshire local authorities are likely to be played out in the near future, and we shall remain watchful to ensure that whatever devolution model and geography for Yorkshire eventually emerges, the economic and social wellbeing of our City and its residents remain the overriding priority.

Community Stadium

After a significant period of delay, and a series of false dawns, all the formal documentation for the development and construction of the community stadium and leisure project was signed last month. This is a huge step forward and construction start is expected before Christmas. Indeed, the establishment of the site compound, fencing and accommodation is now well under way.

As part of the development arrangements, the major funding institution, Legal and General, has agreed to make a £35m investment in to the site. This is a significant expression of confidence in our City's economy and its potential for growth, and is very much welcomed.

Castle Gateway

The next stage of the innovative Castle Gateway consultation (mycastlegateway.org) got underway at the end of November and will run until 22 December. It comprises a series of public events, walks and talks, drop-ins at 29 Castlegate, and regular updates and debates on social media. This further consultation is seeking views on the emerging masterplan ideas.

This is all part of the process to engage the public as much as possible in formulating the masterplan for this quarter of the city. Four main themes have already emerged; the closure of castle car-park and its replacement with a public space which will compliment and enhance the setting of Clifford's Tower and the Castle Museum; a new riverside walkway along the banks of the River Foss; a new building to improve the appearance of the rear of the Coppergate Centre; and a new multi-story car-park either on St George's Field or on Piccadilly.

The Council is a major landowner in this part of the city, and is therefore in a unique position to drive the regeneration of the area; an area which contains some of the city's most loved assets alongside some aspects which do not work, and which does not fulfil its true cultural and economic potential. It has been encouraging to hear that people are alive to the realities of regeneration, especially the funding of projects and the need to inspire and include adjoining landowners. The intention is to have a finalised masterplan for the area completed by Spring 2018.

York Central Access

Following extensive public consultation and a number of productive meetings with the York Central Community Forum and the York Central Action Group, at its meeting in November, the Executive considered a report into the various options for the location of the vehicular access into this significant and underused regeneration site, the development of which is essential to the future economic health of York.

York Central Partnership's professional advisors had put forward six possible options for the location of the access road into York Central. These were assessed for their community impact, constructability and timescale for delivery, indicative cost, and environmental impacts.

Of the six options, the three which would be accessed from Holgate Road/Poppleton Road were rejected due to reasons of funding and operational land availability. The three remaining shortlisted options, two accessed from Water End, and one at Chancery Rise, were then put out to public consultation and examined in detail.

In light of all the relevant considerations, the route most acceptable to all stakeholders (but not the lowest cost option) was assessed to be the more easterly of the two Water End options (the one nearer the river) subject to some further design refinements being made in respect of Millennium Green as a result of productive discussions during the community engagement sessions. This was duly approved by Executive.

Finally, may I wish all members and officers of the Council a peaceful Christmas and a happy New Year.

Cllr. David Carr
Leader of the Council

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Meeting	Executive
Date	15 November 2017
Present	Councillors Carr (Chair), Gillies, Lisle, Orrell, Rawlings, Reid, Runciman and Waller
In Attendance	Cllrs D'Agorne and Looker

PART B - MATTERS REFERRED TO COUNCIL

86. Refresh of Housing Revenue Account Business Plan 2017 to 2047

[See also under Part A Minutes]

The Assistant Director for Housing & Community Safety presented a report which provided an overview of the revised Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Business Plan for the next 30 years and details of the key priorities for the next five years.

The Plan was essentially a financial document, drawing upon information and analysis used in formulating the Council's HRA Asset Management Strategy for 2015/16 to 2044/45. It had been fundamentally revised to take account of the local impact changes announced after the 2015 general election, and subsequent events and legislation, including the Homeless Reduction Act 2017 and recent White and Green papers relating to housing.

Key areas within the Plan, which was attached in full at Annex A, were highlighted in paragraphs 20 to 54 of the report. They included: new build to address growing housing demand; repairs and maintenance, Housing Management, supported housing, adaptations, tenant involvement and information systems. Members were invited either to adopt the Plan (Option 1) or to ask Officers to revise it further (Option 2). It was noted that the Plan built upon the previous business plan and replenished the housing development fund, a key council priority. Any significant changes would require forecasts to be remodelled and so delay approval.

In response to Members' questions, Officers confirmed that:

- Money saved by not requiring a stock options appraisal would be used to conduct a stock condition survey;
- The definition of 'affordable rent' was variable but for new properties the 'social rent' definition had been retained, i.e. 60% of market rent;
- Quality on repairs and maintenance would be ensured by procuring contracts through the tender process, and using HouseMark guidance to improve efficiencies in-house.

The Executive Member for Housing & Safer Neighbourhoods commended the Plan and expressed the hope that it would receive cross-party support.

Recommended: That Council approve the creation of a new capital budget of £20m to fund the building of additional affordable homes over the period 2018/19 to 2022/23.

Reason: In order to support the adoption of the HRA Business Plan, which sets out priorities for the housing revenue account for the next five years and gives clear messages as to the commitment to continue to invest in the council's existing stock and local communities and to build much needed social rented housing.

87. Capital Programme - Monitor 2 2017/18

[See also under Part A Minutes]

The Deputy Chief Executive & Director of Customer & Corporate Services presented a report which set out the projected outturn position for 2017/18 including any under or over spends and adjustments, along with requests to re-profile budgets to and from current and future years.

The last update to the programme, in July, had resulted in an approved capital budget of £111.638m. Since then there had been a decrease of £3.728m in total, due to the re-profiling of budgets to future years and the addition of the Extension to Marjorie Waite Court scheme to the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) funded programme. These changes had resulted in a revised capital programme of £107.910m.

Details of the variations within each portfolio area were set out in paragraphs 8 to 35 of the report.

Recommended: That Council approve:

- (i) the adjustments resulting in a decrease of £3.728m in the 2017/18 budget, as detailed in the report and contained in Annex A and
- (ii) the amended financing of earmarked schemes from capital receipts, as set out in paragraphs 42 to 43 of the report and in Table 4.

Reason: To enable the effective management and monitoring of the council's capital programme.

Cllr D Carr, Chair

[The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 7.21 pm].

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Council – 14 December 2017

Interim Deputy Leader's ReportCllr Andrew Waller

1) York Central and Castle Gateway Sustainability & Public Engagement

As part of the recent decision by the Executive to proceed with the western access road into the York Central Development site, the focus on sustainability will be an important feature as we look to press ahead on drafting a planning application. A large amount of environmental, transport and air quality information was provided to inform the decision making of the Executive.

It is essential that York Central is a sustainable major development, as well as delivering much needed housing in York. We will work to improve flood defences, air quality, and ensure we do not overburden existing infrastructure in the area. In conjunction with this, the retention of open space is an important factor in how we ensure the York Central development remains sustainable in the City.

Furthermore, it was also agreed at that Executive that further work will be done to explore options of district heating (through work with Leeds City Region) and renewable energy on site, increasing our chances of delivering a suitable and sustainable major development for the City.



There has been positive engagement through the mycastlegateway process and this has seen a large number of residents and organisations engage with the development of the masterplan for this part of the city, which contains a range of important historical landmarks.

Working with water is becoming a key theme of the development and links very strongly with the engagement on the Five Year Flood Plan for the city. I did attend some of the weekend engagement talks on the weekend of 25th and 26th November. I very much hope that many of the features for engagement can be applied to the York Central process going forward, in order to ensure a fully sustainable development which will work in harmony with the city.



Public consultation on the future of Castle Gateway

2) Flooding preparedness

There have been a number of meetings and drop-in sessions regarding local flood defences around the city, with the commitment by the Environment Agency to provide more. I attended the session on 27th November at Clementhorpe Community Centre and met with Environment Agency Offices and representatives from Yorkshire Water (see below), whose infrastructure will have an impact on future river defences in the area. A Hub Centre on Wellington Row will shortly be opened by the Environment Agency to enable ongoing engagement with the public on schemes which are being developed in the 29 flood cells.



Clementhorpe Community Centre Environment Agency Public Drop in- and with Yorkshire Water

At my recent Executive Member Decision Session on 4 December, the topic of flooding preparedness was discussed and the Environment Agency presented their quarterly update of the Five Year Plan. A number of wards made representations at the meeting for flood defence and gulley cleaning. A formal request was made to the Environment Agency to review their proposed timetable for projects to speed up delivery of protection.

As we were reminded at the end of November, flooding remains a significant problem for many communities. Over the last two weeks in November, I attended the training session for Ready for Anything volunteers at the Eco Depot on November 25th run by Janet Thompson from CVS, Katie Fisher and Alex Brown from the council Emergency Planning Team.



It is vital that the Council takes an active role in work with bodies such as the Environment Agency, Yorkshire Water and York CVS, to develop local coordinated responses when emergencies of flooding occur.



Ready for Anything Volunteers running through training and examples of preparations by Eco Depot Staff

I would encourage all councillors to spread the word on volunteer sign up, as it was one of the key learning points from the 2015 Boxing Day Flood to have better coordination for the voluntary effort which follows on from any event (this is not only connected with flooding). Residents can sign up via CVS or the website

<https://www.yorkcvs.org.uk/ready-for-anything/>

3) Fracking and Minerals and Waste Strategy

On the 23rd November, I visited Kirby Misperton to observe first-hand the activities at the Fracking site. A large amount of policing is taking place at the location, which has been visited by representatives from all parties. The size of the development is astounding in the countryside and there is significant concern about what this will mean for the City of York. I have asked for information on the consequences of the granting of licences within the city's boundaries.

On 28th November 2017, the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan for North Yorkshire, York and the North York Moors National Park was submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government for independent examination.

To access the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan Submission documents, and a range of supporting material, please visit the Examination website: www.northyorks.gov.uk/examination.



Frack Pad at Kirby Misperton

4) Support for Independent Retailers

A new retail unit has been created for micro-businesses and independent retailers to use in the heart of the City. The new unit has been created from previously empty Council owned premises on Silver Street and with recent renovations, the unit has been restored and divided, so small independent retailers can take full advantage of the excellent location.

It is important that the Council continues to work with the BID and the retail forum to utilise its assets, particularly those that are not in use, and work to support small enterprises in York.

5) Acomb Jobs Fair

I was delighted to attend the Acomb Jobs Fair on the 15th November, an event that was well attended by members of the public, with over 200 people having attended the event by midday. 28 employers were in attendance to help support local communities with assistance with job searches, composing applications and accessing vital training. This had been organised with the support of York Learning and 4Community GrowthYork, the latter providing a range of services around communities in most need in the city and successfully applying for grant funding to enhance provision of support.



Jobs Fair at Acomb Parish Hall 15th November

6) Indie York

I also attended the successful launch of York Business Week for Indie York. This excellent event championed the unique independent retailers that provide York with a distinctive cultural offer. It was also pleasing to see that many independent retailers have branched out beyond the City centre and onto the Front Street.

As previously touched upon, it is crucial that independent retailers are supported by the Council, in order to protect and enhance York's reputation as an attractive visitor destination.



7) Universal Credit

The Chancellor's recent announcement regarding the delivery of Universal Credit is welcome, however, we remain live to the issue and we will continue to monitor its impact here in York. Universal Credit is an extremely important issue that directly impacts many here in York, so it is vital that the delivery of Universal Credit is appropriate and that there is adequate support for residents during the time that their benefits are being processed.

Cllr Andrew Waller
Interim Deputy Leader

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REPORT TO COUNCIL BY THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CULTURE, LEISURE & TOURISM.

14 DECEMBER 2017

I have had a busy and interesting time in the last 3 months since taking over as Interim Executive Member for Culture, Leisure and Tourism. I have also been surprised at the range of services this portfolio covers. I would like to thank all the Officers for their help and support during a challenging period for me.

STADIUM

After so many years of uncertainty I am delighted to be able to report that the project has finally commenced. The partner agreements with the NHS, YAC and York High School have been completed.

All of the contracts for the Community Stadium were signed by the different parties on 16th November and we have also received our first capital receipt. The contractors, Buckingham's, moved on to the site the following week. The site manager is now based on site with fencing being erected and site cabins installed. They will spend time before Christmas clearing the site with construction starting in the first full week in the New Year. Site completion is set for April 2019 with the facilities operational by Summer 2019.

This means that Energise and Yearsley pool have now transferred to GLL but we will continue to work with them to ensure that residents can enjoy good quality, competitively priced leisure facilities.

I would like to pay tribute to the hard work and tenacity of Officers who have finally delivered the stadium, when at times it must have seemed to be an impossible task. I would also like to recognise the hard work of Cllr Ayre over many years. My name might currently be on the Press Releases but I can claim little credit.

LIBRARY CONSULTATION

Members will be aware that in 2019 we are due to enter into a new contract for library services and we are currently consulting residents and library users as to how they see the future of the libraries. There is an online survey available and a series of stakeholder's engagement meetings are being held between before the closing date of 14th February 2018.

ROSE THEATRE

We have secured the Rose Theatre for York. As Europe's first ever full-scale working replica of a traditional Shakespearean Theatre this will attract up to 100,000 people over ten weeks from June to September next year. This will be an amazing theatre experience and will be a significant addition to York's visitor attractions. It will create a lasting legacy in terms of national and international publicity and recognition of York as a cultural destination. It will also provide opportunities for schools to benefit educationally with 20,000 students expected to attend. It will also benefit residents and will be affordable. It is estimated that the theatre will create an additional spend in York's economy close to £7m, as well as additional employment.

CULTURAL AWARDS

I attended the Cultural Awards at the Minster recently. This was a celebration of all the amazing talent that we have in this City and proved to be an inspirational evening.

ALLOTMENTS

My first task as Executive Member was to consider the future of our allotments. Officers had been consulting users of this important and popular service and recommended setting up a charitable trust. I was pleased to approve the plans which will enable allotment users to manage and run the service themselves.

BURNHOLME

I attended a "steel signing ceremony" at Burnholme community hub along with children from St Aeldreds and Hempland Primary Schools. Building works are progressing well with the new building rising quickly from the ground. The £4m council investment forms part of a wider, public and private sector £30m commitment to a new health and wellbeing campus. Once complete, the people of York will be able to enjoy the new library and community facilities, a new care home, a health hub, refurbished sports facilities and new family housing. The children were delighted to mark the progress being made on these new facilities in their neighbourhood.

NEW PITCHES AT THE ASKHAM SITE

Participation in sport and active leisure is vitally important for young people, helping them get into the activity habit and preventing obesity. I am therefore pleased to be promoting a scheme to the Executive on 7th December to deliver nine new football pitches on land off the Tadcaster Road. This will be delivered in partnership with the Bishopthorpe White

Rose Football Club. Funding will come from a variety of sources and together we will be able to address a shortage of outdoor play space in this area.

YORWELLBEING SERVICE This service supports and delivers a huge range of activities across the City.

Sport Clubs and Groups:

11 Grants have been awarded totalling £6,170.

8 coach education courses delivered with 108 participants covering 13 different sports.

1489 hours (approximate) of sport and physical activity usage between April – October 2017 at Burnholme Community Hub.

7 x weekly Boccia Sessions in provided in community venues supporting 46 people. 15 attended new monthly walk as part of Walking for Health sessions at Foxwood Community Centre.

Sports Directory:

We have just updated the city's sports directory with 115 different clubs listed within it. There is an online version and we have 5,000 copies going to schools, libraries and community buildings.

Events:

These include staff benefits day at West Offices and Hazel Court; open days, with mini health checks, at the 50+ Festival, One Planet York, and St Barnabas; 70 took part in the Acomb Family Triathlon and 60 in the Acomb Fun Run; 57 people took part in 2 Boccia Tournaments run by the Libraries and Archive Service; 90 people attended across 3 disability sport open days.

Businesses:

316 mini-health checks delivered across 12 SME businesses (84 of whom have gone on to complete an online health check).

Schools:

25 primary schools worked with on the Jack Archer Award (Walk to School Week October 2017).

7 schools worked with on Healthy lunch box and Daily Mile initiative. This aims to help children get fit by running or jogging for 15 minutes a day in school or nursery. It is inclusive, every child and class teachers take part and it is not competitive. It is free of charge and doesn't cost the school anything other than the 15 minutes out of the day. Children

are encouraged to run, walk or jog in a 15 minute turnaround from leaving the classroom to return. They do not have to complete a mile – it is just about being out and physically active. We are currently working with 6 primary schools to implement this initiative and planning an event to showcase its successes to other schools in 2018.

Men's Health Programme with York City Knights:

The YorWellbeing service invited residents to take part in the Men's Health programme with a range of activities and sessions to help them to become more active and live healthier lives. The 10 week course, which was delivered in partnership with York City Knights, took place at York St John University sports park over the autumn.

TRADING STANDARDS

Members will be aware that we host The National Trading Standards Regional Investigations & eCrime teams (previously called Scambusters) and the team have brought a number of high profile prosecutions against 'scammers' targeting consumers across the country – including York residents. Some of the cases are subject to reporting restrictions, but a couple of examples of cases we can report on include...

- A mother and son who ran a company that fraudulently serviced Dyson vacuums were sentenced for a total of ten years for conspiracy to defraud. They were also disqualified from being company directors for six and eight years respectively. They defrauded customers by falsely claiming to represent Dyson and then conducting unnecessary servicing on their Dyson vacuum cleaners. In some cases, they damaged the vacuum cleaners and voided customers' Dyson warranties. Staff also used pressure-sales tactics to persuade them to buy another brand of vacuum cleaner. The new industrial cleaners were often too heavy for the customers to whom they were sold.
- The team continues to use the Proceeds of Crime Act to recover the assets illegally obtained from scams wherever possible. In one case, making rare use of powers to deal with absconders, a judge ruled that a man alleged to have defrauded customers in the course of selling kitchens had 'a criminal lifestyle' and benefited from his 'criminal conduct' to the tune of £2,357,761. This is in addition to the awards made against the defendants who did attend trial and were convicted of various offences in connection with the supply of misdescribed and poor quality kitchens.

The Trading Standards service continues to support local businesses through a variety of initiatives including providing advice on compliance with the law. We have 'Primary Authority' partnerships with a number of growing York businesses which gives them greater involvement in their Regulation and prevents duplication of effort by Regulators. We are developing a number of other services including an Alternative Dispute Resolution process to help traders resolve disputes with consumers. We also have taken cases against local traders. This includes, a business making false claims in the course of selling double glazing and a company who sold a dangerous/unroadworthy van. We have carried out a number of successful visits to premises thought to be selling cheap and illicit tobacco with the help of specially trained 'sniffer dogs' to find concealed consignments.

We continue to make attempted 'test purchases' with the help of 15 and 16 year volunteers at businesses suspected of illegally selling age restricted products such as alcohol, cigarettes and knives following complaints or intelligence that illegal sales may be occurring.

COLD CALLING ZONES

I approved a new initiative to roll out new Cold Calling Controlled Zones in the City. These are zones in which residents collectively agree not to deal with cold callers and are highly effective at reducing the number of cold callers and reducing the fear of doorstep crime. Officers are working on new materials that Ward members can use via Ward Committees to support this popular initiative.

REGISTRARS.

There was a successful capital bid to modernise the Registrars office this year as the reception and some of the current rooms in use are not fit for purpose. The works are due to start on 8th January and be completed by early March. During the closure West Offices will be the official location of the Register Office. All births and deaths will be registered there along with Statutory Weddings. All non-statutory weddings requested by couples in council premises will be undertaken in the Mansion House and, where not available, Bedern Hall.

The improvements will allow us to provide a first class service to people who are going through the best and the worst times of their life.

VOLUNTEERING STRATEGY.

On 20th November the new volunteering strategy was launched. Entitled "People helping People" it has been drawn up by a partnership across the public, private, voluntary and community sectors and sees

York join the international Cities of Service network. York has a huge number of volunteers across a wide range of activities but it is hoped that this strategy will pull together all the different strands to focus more deliberately on local priorities and make the volunteering network even stronger.

Cllr Ann Reid

Interim Executive Member for Culture, Leisure & Tourism

**Report of the Chair of Customer & Corporate Services Scrutiny
Management Committee**

14 December 2017

1. This report is submitted by the Chair of Customer & Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee (CSMC), in accordance with the constitutional requirements set out in Standing order 8.3 (m) to update Council on scrutiny work and to set out any recommendations made to Council in relation to that work.

Finance and Performance

2. Since the last report to Council on 26 October 2017, the Customer & Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee, the Health, Housing & Adult Social Care Policy & Scrutiny Committee, and the Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee have considered their 2nd Quarter Finance and Performance Monitoring Report. The Children, Education & Communities Policy and Scrutiny Committee will consider its 2nd Quarter Report in January. Finance and Performance reports are not within the remit of the Economy & Place Policy Development Committee.

Attendance of Executive Members

3. The Executive Member for Transport and Planning attended the November meeting of the Economy and Place Policy Development Committee to provide an overview of his priorities and challenges for the municipal year.

Pre-Decision Call-Ins

4. There have been no pre-decision call-ins since the last report to Council.

Post-Decision Call-Ins

5. The Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee has considered one Called-In item since the last report to Council. In November Members considered the Called-In Item: Disposal of Willow House, Walmgate and agreed to refer the matter back to the Executive for re-consideration at their Calling-In meeting on 23 November 2017, with a recommendation that the sale of the site be delayed to explore options to protect open space on the site.

Customer & Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee

Petitions

6. At each of its meetings, this Committee continues to receive its standing report on Council petitions providing details of new petitions received by the Council and the appropriate course of action.

Scrutiny Work

7. The Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee have met once since the last report to Council. In November Members considered the Draft Final Report of the Task Group set up to carry out a Scrutiny Review into Electoral Arrangements in the city. The Committee made some additional recommendations before signing off the review for submission to the Returning Officer.

Health, Housing & Adult Social Care Policy & Scrutiny Committee

8. The Health, Housing & Adult Social Care Policy & Scrutiny Committee has met twice since the last report of this nature. In November Members considered an update report on the Housing Revenue Account Business Plan, a report on the progress of York's Adult Social Care Transformation Programme 'Future Focus' and Healthwatch York's six-monthly performance update. They also received a briefing and presentation on Urgent Care Resilience Plans (Winter Pressures) for winter 2017/18.
9. In December Members considered the Health and Wellbeing Board's six-monthly update report, an update report on the progress of the Humber, Coast and Vale Sustainability and Transformation Partnership and a report on the implementation of recommendations from the previously completed Public Health Grant Spending Scrutiny Review. They also considered a report on provision for homeless people over the winter period.
10. Since the restructure of scrutiny committees to align with directorates and the addition of housing matters to this committee's work load, a number of reports previously considered at meetings of the former Health and Adult Social Care Policy and Scrutiny Committee are now dealt with via email and are only brought to committee if members raise any concerns. Since the last report to council this has included the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority Annual Report.

Children, Education & Communities Policy & Scrutiny Committee

11. This Committee has met once since the last report to Council. In November the Committee received bi-annual reports from Make it York and Explore York Libraries and Archives Mutual Ltd. Members also considered update reports on the Early Help Strategy, Local Area Teams and 30 Clarence Street; School Improvements and Ofsted Schools Performance; Academisation, Place Planning and Additional School Places Required and York Museum Trust Custodian Arrangements.
12. The WWII Commemorations Scrutiny Review Task Group met for a second time in mid November and work on the review is progressing.

Economy and Place Policy Development Committee

13. Since the last report to Council, this Committee has held two informal meetings. In early November it received a briefing on the strategic management of the Council's commercial portfolio and the development of an Asset Management Strategy, and in late November it met to consider the guiding principles for a new draft policy on CYC Fleet Replacement.
14. In mid November the 'Arts & Culture and the Economy' Scrutiny Review Task Group met for a final time to consider their draft final report. This was subsequently presented to the full Committee at its formal meeting in late November and signed off ready for the Executive's consideration in January 2018.

Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee

15. This Committee has also met once since the last report to Council. In November Members received a bi-annual update report from Make It York and an overview report on Emergency Planning arrangements for the city.

Cllr Williams

Chair of the Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee (CCSMC)

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Membership of Committees, Working Groups and Outside Bodies

School Admission and/or Exclusion Appeals Panel

To appoint the following panellists:

Lay

Mike Holmes

Mike Brownbridge

Non-Lay

Roger Cannon

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