

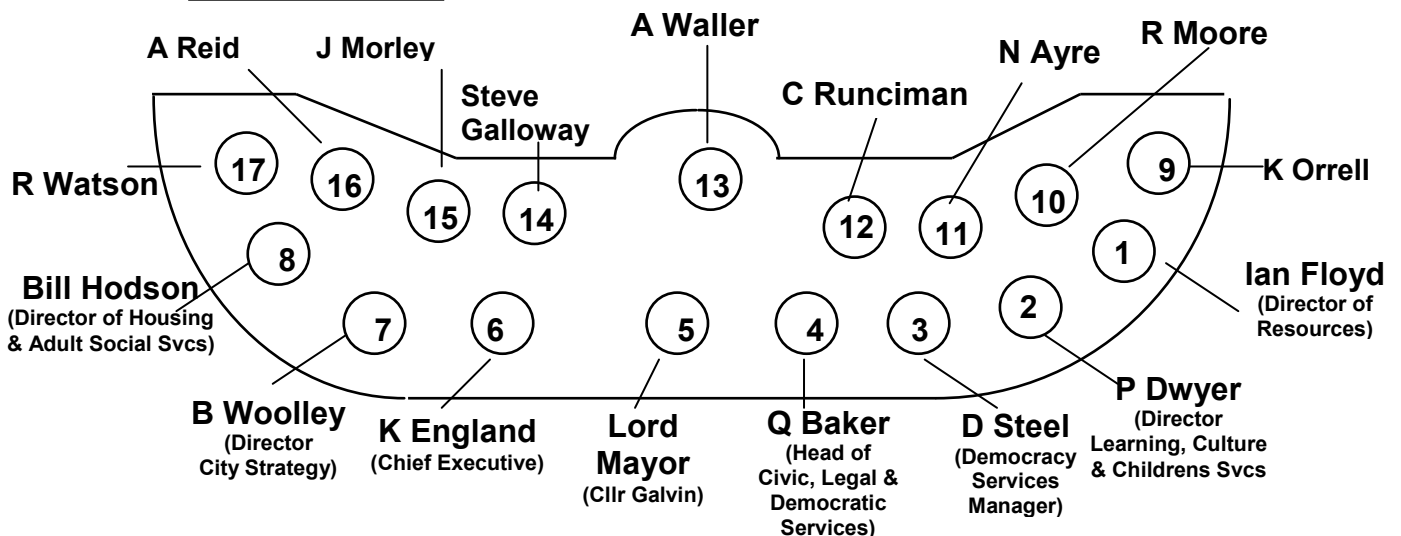
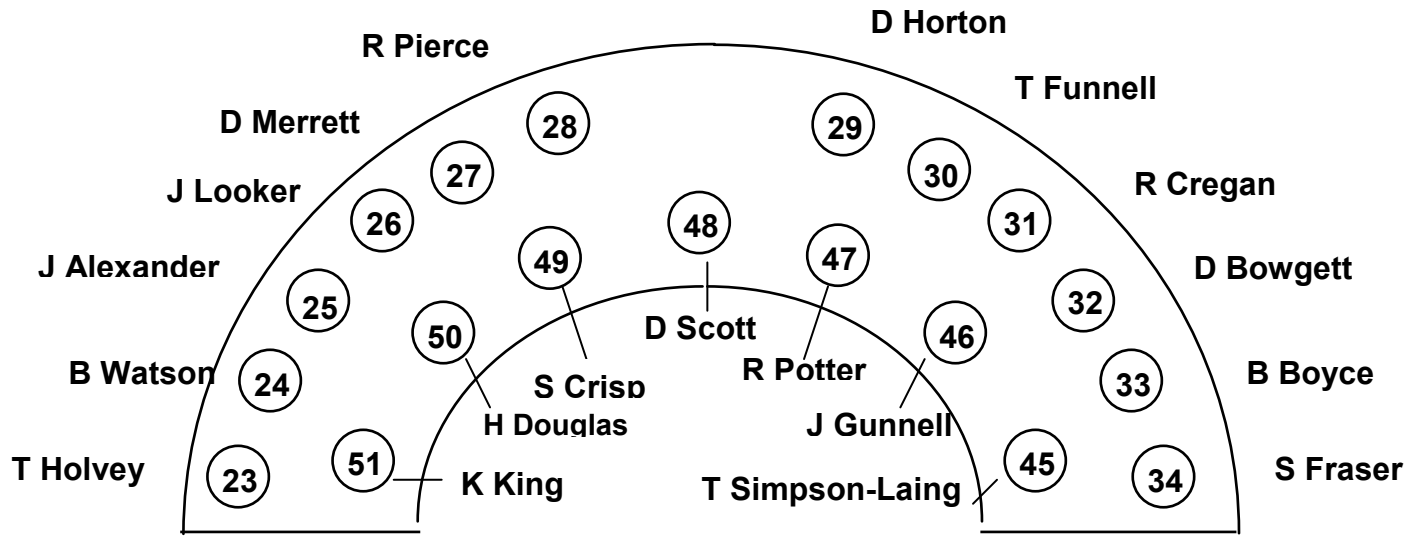
## CITY OF YORK COUNCIL SUMMONS

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 **Guildhall, York**, to consider the business contained in this agenda on the following date and time:-

Thursday, 3 December 2009 at 6.35 pm



# COUNCIL CHAMBER





## **A G E N D A**

### **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. Minutes (Pages 1 - 24)**

To approve and sign the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 October 2009.

### **3. Civic Announcements**

To receive any announcements made by the Lord Mayor in respect of Civic business.

### **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, 2 December 2009**.

### **5. Petitions**

To consider any petitions received from Members in accordance with Standing Order No.7. To date, notice has been received of petitions to be presented by:

- (i) Cllr Simpson-Laing, on behalf of residents calling for the introduction of a 20 mph zone on Cranbrook Road.
- (ii) Cllr Horton, on behalf of residents calling for the introduction of a 20 mph zone on Beckfield Lane.
- (iii) Cllr Funnell, on behalf of residents calling for the introduction of a 20 mph zone on Dodsworth Avenue.
- (iv) Cllr Boyce, on behalf of residents requesting that council-owned homes in the Monkton Road area be fitted with energy efficient double glazing.

**6. Report of Executive Leader and Executive Recommendations** (Pages 25 - 40)

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

Meeting	Date	Recommendations
Executive	20 October 2009	Minute 99: <i>More for York - Blueprints</i>
Executive	17 November 2009	Minute 111: <i>Capital Programme – Monitor Two</i>  Minute 112: <i>Draft Revised Contract Procedure Rules</i>  Minute 113: <i>Corporate Debt Policy</i>  <u>Note:</u> the draft revised Contract Procedure Rules and Corporate Debt Policy can be accessed via the link below: <a href="http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=102&amp;MId=4317&amp;Ver=4">http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=102&amp;MId=4317&amp;Ver=4</a>

**7. Recommendations of the Standards Committee** (Pages 41 - 54)

To consider the following recommendations for approval from the Standards Committee

Date of Meeting	Recommendations
20 November 2009	Minute 30: <i>Member Training and Development Policy</i>

Note: a copy of the draft Policy is attached.

**8. Recommendations of the Gambling & Licensing Acts Committee** (Pages 55 - 84)

To consider the following recommendations for approval from the Gambling & Licensing Acts Committee

Date of Meeting	Recommendations
20 November 2009	Minute 25: <i>Gambling Act 2005 - Triennial Review of the Statement of Policy</i>

**9. Scrutiny - Report of the Chair of the Scrutiny Management Committee** (Pages 85 - 86)

To receive a report from Councillor Healey, the Chair of the Scrutiny Management Committee (SMC) on the work of the SMC.

**10. Report of Executive Member** (Pages 87 - 92)

To receive a written report from the Executive Member for City Strategy, and to question the Executive Member thereon, provided any such questions are registered in accordance with the timescales and procedures set out in Standing Order 8(2)(a).

**11. Activities of Outside Bodies**

Minutes of the following meetings of outside bodies, received since the last meeting of Council, have been made available for Members to view via the Council's website:-

- North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue – meeting on 09/09/09
- Quality Bus Partnership – meeting on 10/09/09
- Safer York Partnership – meetings on 11/08/09 and 13/10/09
- Without Walls Partnership – meeting on 23/11/09
- Yorkshire & Humber Assembly – meetings on 18/03/09 and 23/03/09
- York NHS Foundation Trust – meetings on 01/07/09 and 02/09/09
- Economic Development Partnership Board – meeting on 09/03/09
- Local Government North Yorkshire & York – meeting on 29/06/09

- Local Government Yorkshire & Humber – meetings on 26/06/09 and 10/09/09

The web address is:-

<http://sql003.york.gov.uk/mgListOutsideBodies.asp?bcr=1>

Copies of the minutes may also be obtained by contacting Democratic Services at the Guildhall, York (tel. 01904 551088).

Members are invited to put any questions to the Council's representatives on the above bodies, in accordance with Standing Order 10(b).

## **12. Appointments and Changes to Membership**

### **a) Establishing a Mansion House and Mayoralty Advisory Group (Pages 93 - 98)**

To consider a report of the Interim Head of Civic Democratic and Legal Services, which proposes the establishment of an Advisory Group to oversee the ongoing development and use of the Mansion House and promote the profile of the Lord Mayor and Civic Party.

### **b) Membership of Committees and Outside Bodies (Pages 99 - 100)**

To consider the appointments and changes to membership of committees and outside bodies set out on the attached list.

## **13. Notices of Motion**

To consider the following Notices of Motion under Standing Order 11:

### **A – Motions referred from the Executive in accordance with Standing Order 11(a)(i)**

None



**B – Motions submitted for consideration directly by Council, in accordance with Standing Orders 11(a)(ii)**

(i) From Cllr Waller

“As councils across the country prepare for public spending cuts over the next few years, Council regrets that York is yet again being put at a disadvantage by unfair government funding formulas.

Council notes that

- Despite the welcome announcement of extra funding for concessionary fares, the funding does not cover the £1.1m paid by local Council Tax payers to fund the service over the last six years.
- Having paid over £15m in landfill taxes over the past 13 years, York has only received £2.5m in grants to help improve recycling.
- York is still not getting a fair deal in its core funding from Government. This year York will receive £1.155m less than should have been allocated by the formula.

Council looks forward to a time when York receives a fair deal on funding from the government and instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State expressing the Council’s concerns.”

(ii) From Cllr Scott

“Council notes that the Executive failed to change its decisions following the meeting of the Scrutiny Management Committee on the 26<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

Council further notes that, contrary to the decision of this Council, the Executive on the 17<sup>th</sup> November failed to follow an agreed motion to progress to a Quality Contract Scheme for bus operators in the City.

Council therefore resolves that the Executive reconsider those matters and recommends that the Executive change their decision to:

- a) Set SMART objectives for assessing the effectiveness of attracting and promoting Green Jobs to the City.
- b) Start the process for delivering a city centre pool by:
  - creating a leisure reserve from directorate under-spends and section 106 agreements
  - commissioning a report to identify city centre sites within the city centre for a community pool, with particular reference to Huntgate, and provide provisional designs.
  - Identifying the amount needed from reserves to enable such a report to be produced.
- c) Progress with preparatory work for implementing a Quality Contract scheme within York, with a review to be conducted after the publication of the Department of Transport Guidance.

For the avoidance of doubt the following Councillors request the reconsideration of these decisions:

Cllr J Alexander  
Cllr D Bowgett  
Cllr B Boyce  
Cllr R Cregan  
Cllr S Crisp  
Cllr H Douglas  
Cllr S Fraser  
Cllr T Funnell  
Cllr J Gunnell  
Cllr D Horton  
Cllr K King  
Cllr J Looker  
Cllr D Merrett  
Cllr R Pierce  
Cllr R Potter  
Cllr D Scott  
Cllr T Simpson-Laing  
Cllr B Watson”

(iii) From Cllr Wiseman

“This Council notes with concern reports that the Ministry of

Defence is examining closing RAF Linton-on-Ouse. The effects of the closure of RAF Linton on the City of York would be significant, with the loss of 700 jobs and the loss of an estimated £25 million of economic activity that the base generates for the local economy.

The Council therefore asks the Chief Executive to write to the Minister of Defence in order to request a meeting with the appropriate party to enable CYC to make its representations to the MOD regarding possible closure of the base as early in the consultation process as possible."

(iv) From Cllr Gunnell

"Council notes:

- That York's Local Area Agreement has set a target to reduce the numbers of 16-18 years olds not in education, employment or training (NEET) under National Indicator 117, a target which was not met last year and is not being met this year
- As at the 15<sup>th</sup> October 2009 the City of York Council had only 21 Traineeships
- Only 3 out of 5 directorates had Traineeships;
- The impact of the economic downturn on training and employment opportunities for those that are NEET and those who have little or no work experience.

In response to this challenge, Council:

1. Requests the Chief Executive to take the necessary action to devise a comprehensive and strategic programme to increase the number of traineeships within the city by:

- Drawing up an action plan to increase the number of Traineeships, training and work experience placements available within the Council that:-
  - Involves all council directorates
  - Involves a wide range of council functions and disciplines
  - Has a full understanding and appreciation of the two distinct groups of vulnerable young people, those who fall out of education, employment and training and those with the potential to

- Acknowledges the Council's responsibilities as a Corporate Parent, ensuring that looked after children and care leavers are prioritised
- Incorporates, utilises and achieves the Aims of the Councils Sustainability Procurement Policy
- Ensures that advertising opportunities on internet sites are relevant to this audience
- Devising a mechanism to work in partnership with other large employers, interested smaller employers and educational establishment within the city to identify opportunities to increase the number of Traineeships

2. Requests the Effective Organisation Overview and Scrutiny to consider devising how such a programme would be developed and implemented, before making recommendations to the Scrutiny Management Committee, which in turn will make recommendations to Full Council no later than April 2010.”

(v) From Cllr Vassie

“As the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Copenhagen approaches, Council recognises the need to send a clear message to the Government that the public expect a global deal to reduce carbon emissions.

Council therefore resolves to join the 963 local authorities across Europe, representing over 130 million people, in signing up to the Covenant of Mayors, signalling the clear intention of local people to tackle climate change on a local level and sending the message that similar action on an international level is expected from national governments.

Council also requests that Officers report to the Executive on how energy consumption can be reduced at Listed buildings in the City.”

**14. Questions to the Executive Leader and Executive Members received under Standing Order 10(c)**

To deal with the following questions to the Executive Leader and / or other Executive Members, in accordance with Standing Order

10(a):

- (i) To the Executive Leader, from Cllr Alexander:  
“Can the Executive Leader please tell Council how many meetings he has had with the Council's Information Management and E-Government Champion to specifically discuss Information Management and E-Government since being in the position?”
- (ii) To the Executive Member for City Strategy, from Cllr Gillies:  
“Can the Executive Member brief the Council on the progress made on identifying the availability of sites and the availability of funding for the community stadium and whether these activities are meeting the timeline?”
- (iii) To the Executive Member for City Strategy, from Cllr Wiseman:  
“Could the Executive Member set forth the requirements for when Highways officers are required to attend planning meetings in order to address members’ queries regarding their response, or lack of written response, to planning applications?”
- (iv) To the Executive Member for City Strategy, from Cllr Wiseman:  
“Can you tell us why Lendal Bridge is no longer lit up at night?”
- (v) To the Executive Member for Corporate Services, from Cllr Healey:  
“When does the Executive Member expect the adult social care provision part of More4York to come before the Executive?”
- (vi) To the Executive Member for Corporate Services, from Cllr Alexander:  
“Can the Executive Member for Corporate Services tell Council how many meetings he has had with the Council's Efficiency, Procurement and Risk Management Champion to specifically discuss Efficiency, Procurement and Risk Management since being in the position?”

- (vii) To the Executive Member for Corporate Services, from Cllr Scott:  
“Does the Executive Member for Corporate Services still believe in openness and transparency in local democracy in the operation of the Council?”
- (viii) To the Executive Member for Housing & Adult Social Services, from Cllr Alexander:  
“Would the Executive Member for Housing and Adult Social Services explain whether the Council offers those who receive a 'meals on wheels' service to opt for a frozen meal alternative, and if so does the Council provide microwaves free of charge to these individuals?”
- (ix) To the Executive Member for Housing & Adult Social Services, from Cllr Simpson-Laing:  
“Will the Executive Member for HASS work with me to increase signing up to the Organ Donor Register by ensuring that all Council buildings, both public and private, display information on how to join the Register and that this information is also included for the next 12 months in all Council internal and external publications to help aid the rise in those signed to the register in the City?”
- (x) To the Executive Member for Learning, Culture & Children’s Services, from Cllr Healey:  
“Would the Executive Member outline the contingency arrangements for SEN children who move into the authority's catchment area during the school year?”
- (xi) To the Executive Member for Neighbourhood Services, from Cllr Alexander:  
“Can the Executive Member for Neighbourhood Services report to Council how many times police officers have been ‘rented’ under the Police Act 1996 to further reduce crime and as in line with their Election pledge of 2007?”
- (xii) To the Executive Member for Leisure, Culture & Social Inclusion, from Cllr Crisp:  
“Can the Executive Member for Leisure & Culture describe his plans to increase York residents’ take up of sport and

active leisure in relation to the continued decreasing figures, as reported in the Council's National Indicator Report?"

### **15. Urgent Business**

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

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- Any special arrangements
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