
MEETING	DECISION SESSION - EXECUTIVE LEADER
DATE	5 JANUARY 2010
PRESENT	COUNCILLOR WALLER (EXECUTIVE MEMBER)

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal or prejudicial interest they might have in the business on the agenda.

Cllr Waller declared a personal non prejudicial interest as he is a member of the Regional Flood Defence Committee

5. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the last meeting of the Decision Session – Executive Leader, held on 6 October 2009 be approved and signed by the Executive Leader as a correct record.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme

7. SURFACE WATER FLOOD RISK - APPLICATION FOR DEFRA FUNDING

The Executive Leader considered a report that informed him of two applications that had been made for grant aid through the recently announced Early Action Fund for Tackling Surface Water Flood Risk provided by the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra).

The officer confirmed he had no further updates and in answer to the Leader's questions he confirmed that if the bid was successful the Drainage Department and a Foundation Degree Student would work on the projects and they would bring in specialist consultants and surveyors when required.

The Leader questioned if officers had contacted Ward Members regarding Westfield Beck. The officer confirmed they had not done any consultations and would start this process if the bids were successful. The current water

flow of the Foss was discussed and the officer confirmed the location of the lagoon and the high flow rates.

The Leader agreed to recommend option 1, which would provide the City with additional information on flooding and would alleviate flooding at a known location.

RESOLVED: That the Executive Leader agrees to progress the “SWMP for Central York” and the “Westfield Beck, York - SUDS Project”, if the bids for grant aid are approved by Defra and the EA, respectively.

REASON: Because these two projects will identify or mitigate, respectively, sites of flooding thereby relieving all the hardship that is attracted to such events.

Cllr Waller, Executive Leader

[The meeting started at 4.15 pm and finished at 4.26 pm].