
Meeting	Shareholder Committee
Date	20 March 2017
Present	Councillors Gillies (Chair) and Ayre
Other Members Participating in the meeting	Councillors Hayes, Looker and Kramm

1. Chair

It was reported that Councillor Gillies had been named as both the replacement Conservative Member and Chair of the Shareholder Committee at a meeting of the Executive held on 16 March 2017.

2. Declarations of Interest

Members were 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 the agenda. None were declared.

3. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of agenda items 7 & 8 (City of York Trading Ltd and Yorwaste) on the grounds that they contained information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). This information is classed as exempt under Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government 1972 (as revised by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

4. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been one registration to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme on the following item:

7. City of York Trading Ltd.

Andrea Dudding spoke, on behalf of UNISON, over concerns around proposed changes to terms and conditions for City Of York Council staff who could be transferring to City of York Trading Ltd under TUPE (Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment)) arrangements, and her views about the level of consultation with unions.

5. Council Owned Companies

Members considered a report advising them of the role of the Shareholder Committee and providing a background on the Council companies.

Officers clarified that Make it York and Veritau would be reporting to a further meeting of the Committee, to be held on 31 March. Members requested that this be made clear with the addition of a Work Plan on future agendas.

Resolved: That;

- I. The report be noted
- II. Members agree to the proposal that the Shareholder Committee meet to consider each company at least twice a year.

Reason: To ensure proper governance of Council companies.

6. Science City York

Members received a report proposing that the Council withdraw from its membership of Science City York in order that ownership of the company be passed to Make it York.

Officers gave an update to the report to state that, after further legal advice, they were amending their recommendation as this was a decision reserved for the Executive.

In response to Member questions Officers stated that:

- With regard to the remaining finances there would be a clear audit trail available.

- There would not be an end of contract report as Science City York had been subsumed by Make It York, however reporting would ongoing.
- Option C was considered to be the most cost effective option.

Resolved: That Members recommend to the Executive that the Council withdraw from membership of Science City York, subject to Make it York having been admitted to membership.

Reason: In order to facilitate ownership of Science City York passing to Make it York.

7. City of York Trading Ltd

The Managing Director and Operations Manager presented to the committee a business update for City of York Trading Ltd, including performance information for 2016/17 to date.

Resolved: That the Annual Budget and business plan be agreed.

Reason: As required under the Shareholder agreement.

8. Yorwaste

The Managing Director presented to the committee a business update for Yorwaste & SJB Recycling, including key business developments and trading performance to the end of 2016/17 Q3.

Resolved: That;

1. the 3 Year Business Plan be approved
2. the budgets for Yorwaste and SJB Recycling be approved
3. the business development proposals contained in the business plan be approved, along with the shareholder funding necessary to support the plan.

Reason: As required under the Shareholder agreement.

Councillor Gillies, Chair

[The meeting started at 5.35 pm and finished at 7.00 pm].