Meeting Decision Session - Executive Member for

Culture, Leisure and Communities

Date 2 March 2021

Present Councillor Smalley (Executive Member)

23. Declarations of Interest

The Executive Member was asked to declare, at this point in the meeting, any personal interest not included on the Register of Interests or any prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests that he might have in respect of the business on the agenda. None were declared.

24. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the Decision Session held on 2

February 2021 be approved and be signed by the Executive Member as a correct record at a later

date.

25. Public Participation

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

Ms Swinburn spoke on Agenda Item 4, Service Level Agreements (SLA) – Cultural and infrastructure organisations. She highlighted her concerns with the format of each SLA and expressed her preference for a more standard approach. Although she accepted that a 3 year agreement was good and that there was some interesting elements in the SLA's she raised various concerns relating to the CVS agreement.

The Executive Member thanked Ms Swinburn for her comments.

26. Service Level Agreements - Cultural and Infrastructure Organisations

The Executive Member considered a report that sought his approval for three year funding agreements to 31 March 2021 with York CVS (core funding and community voices), Accessible Arts & Media and the National Centre for Early Music.

The Communities and Equalities Manager was in attendance to deputise for the Assistant Director of Communities and Culture. She provided a brief update and the Executive Member explained the background to the three institutions.

The Executive Member noted the public speakers comments and offered to liaise with the speaker to discuss her concerns further.

The Executive Member expressed his thanks to the Communities and Equalities Manager and to Democratic Services for supporting council meetings during these unprecedented times.

Resolved: That the funding awards set out in paragraph 4 of the report and the associated service level agreements (SLAs) set out in the annexes be approved.

Reason: To increase the wellbeing and quality of life of York residents.

Cllr Smalley, Executive Member [The meeting started at 10.00am and finished at 10.10am].