

EXECUTIVE

THURSDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2015

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Executive meeting held on Thursday, 29 October 2015. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than **4.00pm on Monday 2 November 2015**.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Jill Pickering, T: 01904 552061, E: jill.pickering@york.gov.uk

5. **The Next Phase of the Older Persons' Accommodation Programme: Deciding the Future of Grove House and Oakhaven Older Persons' Homes**

Resolved: That the Executive agree to:

- (i) Note that the Older Persons' Accommodation Programme aims to address the needs and aspirations of older people who need accommodation and care, both now and in the future, equipping York to meet their needs by delivering new Extra Care accommodation and good quality residential and nursing provision which meets modern day standards.
- (ii) Receive the outcome of the consultation undertaken with residents, family, carers and staff of Grove House and Oakhaven to explore the option to close each home with current residents moving to alternative accommodation.
- (iii) The closure of Grove House and Oakhaven residential care homes and require that residents' moves to their new homes are carefully planned and managed in line with the Moving Homes Safely protocol.

- (iv) The Grove House site being sold forthwith in order to generate a capital receipt to support the wider Older Persons' Accommodation Programme.
- (v) The procurement of a partner to develop the Oakhaven site as a new Extra Care facility for Acomb.

Reason: In order to increase the supply of good quality accommodation with care for independent living together with new residential and nursing home provision to address the changing needs and aspirations amongst York's older population and ensuring that more can choose to live independently at home.

6. Moving Forward with the Burnholme Health & Wellness Campus

Resolved: That the Executive agree to:

- (i) Note progress towards achieving new uses for the Burnholme site.
- (ii) Seek interest from partners to progress:
 - continued community and sports use on the site;
 - a residential care home for older people;
 - housing provision;
 - health services delivered in a community setting.
- (iii) Agree that Officers develop a spatial plan for site in order to maximise land use and draw up a development timetable, utilising resources already held in the Older Persons' Accommodation Programme budget.
- (iv) Request that a report is brought back to Executive in Q1 2016 to further examine the risks and rewards of the development and

approve the approach/s to procurement of relevant partners.

- Reason: (i) (ii) To secure the most appropriate and best value approach to develop and deliver the vision for the Burnholme Health & Wellness Campus including the delivery of a residential care home as part of the Older Persons' Accommodation Programme.
- (iii) So that best use is made of this site.
- (iv) So that the project can progress.

7. The Future of York's Guildhall & Riverside

Resolved: That the Executive approve the Scrutiny recommendation and confirm detailed project development work as follows:

- (i) Approve option 4 of the project review; to create a serviced office venue with virtual office and business club facilities. This option secures the future of the Guildhall by maximising the benefits of; the different spaces within the complex, its heritage appeal, the accessible location, and also ensures ongoing council use and public access, in a mixed use development.
- (ii) Confirm the appointment of a multi-disciplinary design team led by architects Burrell Foley Fischer, selected following a detailed and EU compliant procurement process, and agree that further design work is undertaken to develop a detailed scheme and associated business case, based on the approved option. Project development will be progressed on a stage by stage basis, drawing on the previously approved development budget of £500k, with a report back to Executive for final approval to proceed in summer 2016.

- (iii) Confirm the selection of a commercial operating partner. The project team will consider the most appropriate and advantageous lease or service contract arrangements. The selection process to be confirmed following legal advice on the most effective option.
- (iv) Confirm a programme of engagement with the City's business sector / target market to understand their requirements, facilitated through joint working with project partners; the Universities and Make it York.

- Reason:
- (i) To ensure that the ongoing project development is based upon the most advantageous and viable option for this key council asset.
 - (ii) To ensure that the necessary detail is available to inform an Executive decision on project delivery in summer 2016.
 - (iii) To ensure that the Guildhall will attract the high levels of use necessary to secure future viability, delivery of the wider economic benefits to the City, and manage the financial risk to the Council.
 - (iv) To ensure that the Guildhall offer will meet the needs of business and that the detailed business model is based on sound assumptions.

8. York's Southern Gateway

Resolved: That the Executive agree to:

- (i) Progress to the development stage of the Southern Gateway project and to appoint a Project Manager using grant funding from One Public Estate to take this work forward.

- (ii) Commence a procurement exercise to identify a joint venture partner to redevelop 17-21 Piccadilly.
- (iii) Create a conceptual framework for development of the Southern Gateway area and prepare for a public consultation.
- (iv) Develop a business case for development of the Southern Gateway which will involve undertaking feasibility work to assess the technical, planning and financial deliverability of development of the Southern Gateway. A report will be brought back to Executive to agree a future approach.
- (v) A budget of £185,000 to be financed from New Homes Bonus, with specific allocations from the budget to be confirmed by the Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council, to enable development of a fully worked up business case for the development of the Southern Gateway area.
- (vi) Undertake transport modelling and review parking and access arrangements for the Southern Gateway area.
- (vii) Explore potential delivery mechanisms and commence discussions with land owners in the area.

Reason: To deliver early improvement to Piccadilly, to generate capital receipt, and to develop robust plans for the future regeneration of the Southern Gateway area.

9. Coppergate Traffic Restrictions

Resolved: That the Executive agree to:

- (i) The York (Coppergate)(Local Bus Priority) Traffic Order 2013 being amended to change the timing of the restrictions in accordance with Option 5b (retain the 7 day operation but return to the 8am to 6pm time period), and that

civil enforcement be suspended until a review of the signage has been undertaken and revised signage has been agreed by Members; and

- (ii) The Executive Member for Planning & Transport being delegated to agree the consultation detail for the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) and signage; and
- (iii) Officers undertaking a review of the signage to convey the meaning of the revised Order and this shall include appropriate consultation; and
- (iv) The final revised signage scheme and consideration of any objections to the amended TRO being brought back to the Executive for approval prior to commencement of any civil enforcement by camera.

Reasons: To provide more certainty for effective civil enforcement by camera of the restrictions in order to reduce the impact of traffic on a key public transport and busy pedestrian area in the City Centre.

10. Council Tax Support Scheme Review

Resolved: That the Executive approve:

- (i) Option 3 to put the Council Tax Support Scheme out to a shortened consultation process to fit in with the 31 January 2016 deadline, in advance of the respective budget setting processes.
- (ii) The following changes to the Council's calendar of meetings, in order to allow a decision to be taken by Full Council on any changes to the Council Tax Scheme:
 - Executive on 17 December 2015 – bring forward to 15 December 2015
 - Full Council on 10 December 2015 - move to 17 December 2015

- (iii) The detail of the scheme changes for consultation, to be developed by the Director of Customer & Business Support Services in consultation with the Portfolio Holders.

Reason: To ensure members are fully informed of the options and implications of decisions made in light of this review of the CTS.

11. CYC Future Workforce (Apprenticeships and Work Placements)

Resolved: (i) That the Executive notes the following progress and plans:

- the further development of the council's in-house apprenticeship and future workforce offer, aligned to future skills need;
- to increase pre-apprenticeship provision by CYC, through structured work experience and supported traineeship/internship programmes, in line with city-wide initiatives;
- to ensure that CYC upholds its responsibility as corporate parent to vulnerable groups (including children living in care, care leavers, NEET and SEND populations) through ring-fenced access to work placements and support in gaining apprenticeships.

- (ii) That the Executive agree to increase current Year 1 pay in line with National Minimum Wage increases from October 1st 2015 and review annually in line with other council employee groups.

Reason: To ensure Executive members are informed of the CYC approach to apprenticeships and that proposals are aligned with likely national policy direction.

12. Recommendations of the Local Plan Working Group - City of York Local Plan - Objective Assessment of Housing Need and City of York Local Plan Economic Growth

Resolved: That the Executive note the recommendations in the Local Plan Working Group minutes attached at Annex A

of the report and approve the specific recommendations made by the Group in respect of the Objective Assessment of Housing Need and Economic Growth.

Reason: To fulfil the requirements of the Council's Constitution in relation to the role of Working Groups.

13. Protecting Public Houses

Resolved: That having considered the options, recommendation of the Local Plan Working Group and the various representations Executive agree for:

- (i) Council to build on Option one in the report and to note the desire of the Local Plan Working Group to go above and beyond this in proactively encourage awareness of protecting community pubs with ACV's (Assets of Community Value), including featuring in the Our City newsletter;
- (ii) The important role of ward councillors in pinpointing pubs and other community assets for consideration for protection be acknowledged and a member briefing note and all member sessions be organised; other interested parties including Parish Councillors and Residents Associations to be allowed to attend.
- (iii) A dedicated page on the council website be set-up to provide guidance on the process for registering as an ACV. This page to include links to where user friendly advice on making an application can be found.
- (iv) A press release be sent to relevant media outlets, working with interested parties including York CAMRA and pub landlords offering interviews / photo opportunities, emphasising work on pub protection;

- (v) An investigation of a collaboration with local media outlets similar to that of 'Be Vocal For Your Local';
- (vi) Continuing work with interested parties including York CAMRA and pub landlords in the formulation of pub friendly planning law within the Local Plan to ensure as and when there are planning applications the Local Plan is robust enough to stop inappropriate development that would be detrimental to a particular pub and associated community.
- (vii) Continuing to monitor the workload and associated costs of work being done, mindful of what is legally required and also how potentially working with other interested parties saves the council work.

Reason: To more widely promote the assets of community value register and to provide communities with guidance on how pubs can be nominated and protected through the register, with the aim to ensure that valued public houses are afforded protection from change of use and demolition.

14. Minerals and Waste Joint Plan - Preferred Options

Resolved: That the Executive agree to note progress on the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan and approve the Preferred Options documents for public consultation.

Reason: So that the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan can be progressed.