

## **Response to written representations to Decision Session of Executive Member for Environment, 5 March 2018.**

The Environment Agency and City of York Council are working together to progress all works that have emerged from the York Five Year Flood Plan. A range of consultation events have been held and others are planned as designs for schemes in individual communities are developed.

The works to the Foss Barrier have been assessed and the impact of the increased pumping rates on downstream communities are understood. The work to develop flood schemes in the New Walk and Clementhorpe areas have been developed to manage future flood risks and the impact of increased pumping from the barrier. This information has been communicated to residents and more consultation events are planned.

The need for upstream storage is noted and we are working actively to identify opportunities on the River Foss, works on the River Ouse will require a much wider assessment and coordination of significant works across the Rivers Swale, Ure and Nidd, however, the Environment Agency and City of York Council are committed to find solutions to this wider challenge.