

## **EXECUTIVE**

**TUESDAY, 29 JANUARY 2008**

### **DECISIONS**

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive held on Tuesday, 29 January 2008. 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 4pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Fiona Young (tel extn 1027)

#### **6. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT**

RESOLVED: (i) That the new statutory requirement for the Council to produce an Annual Governance Statement and to publish this as part of the 2007/08 Statement of Accounts be noted.

(ii) That the proposed process and timetable for completion of the 2007/08 AGS be agreed.

REASON: To ensure that the Council complies with relevant legislation.

#### **7. ESTABLISHING AN INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICE FOR YORK**

RESOLVED: (i) That the detailed work undertaken to plan for the new integrated service for young people in York since the decision in principle to bring the Connexions service in-house, including wide consultation with stakeholders, staff and young people and intensive negotiations with the current service provider, be noted.

REASON: To ensure that the Council discharges its statutory obligations in the most efficient and effective manner, consistent with the vision of a professional, holistic, locality-based service for young people.

(ii) That the financial and other risks that exist, particularly around the TUPE matters that are still a matter of dispute with the current provider, the actions taken to minimise such risks, the contingency sums laid aside within the Connexions budget and also the Corporate contingency budget, be noted.

REASON: To accept that, while these risks cannot be eliminated

altogether, Officers' negotiations and preparations have brought them within acceptable levels.

(iii) That the decision to bring the Connexions service in-house from 1 April 2008 be confirmed, and that the necessary steps be taken to effect a smooth transfer of staff and functions from that date.

REASON: To initiate the final steps needed to effect the transfer, including confirmation to the staff affected and the drawing up of the relevant transfer documentation.

(iv) That the following issues, which have been considered in more detail by the Executive Members for Children's Services, be noted:

- a) The proposed structure for the new service, set out in Annex B to the report.
- b) The IT and property implications, the proposed upgrades to accommodation at Kingswater, Fulford and Moor Lane and the one-off costs set out in Annex A that have been submitted to the Executive Member for approval, subject to reasonable Officer discretion over the detailed work schedules and the priorities within them.
- c) Three minor but significant contracts with third parties that are currently held by Connexions (described in detail in Annex D), to be considered as temporarily exempt from the authority's financial regulations and rolled over for a further year pending a fuller impact assessment.

REASON: To appreciate that these decisions have been taken to enable new staff to be allocated to a suitable function and location, allow senior posts to be graded and filled in accordance with HR policies and ensure continuity of service with minimum risk.

## **8. AGE FRIENDLY CITIES**

RECOMMENDED: (i) That the motion, and the accompanying report, be received at the next available meeting of Council, on 10 April 2008.

REASON: In accordance with the procedures set out in Standing Orders.

(ii) That Council refer the motion to the Social Inclusion Working Group and the Inclusive York Forum for their subsequent consideration, and action where appropriate.

REASON: To enable these groups to consider the guidance referred to in the motion and make any future

recommendations.

*Note: The decisions on the above item are recommendations to Council and therefore not subject to the calling-in process.*

**9. MINUTES OF WORKING GROUPS**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the LDF Working Group be noted.

REASON: In accordance with the requirements of the Council's Constitution in relation to the role of Working Groups.

