



Notice of meeting of

Executive

To:	Councillors Waller (Chair), Ayre, Steve Galloway, Moore, Morley, Reid and Runciman
Date:	Tuesday, 2 February 2010
Time:	2.00 pm
Venue:	The Guildhall, York

AGENDA

Notice to Members - Calling In:

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in any item on this agenda, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group by:

10:00 am on Monday 1 February 2010, if an item is called in *before* a decision is taken, *or*

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Items called in will be considered by the Scrutiny Management Committee.

1. **Declarations of Interest**

At this point, Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interest they may have in the business on this agenda.

2. Minutes (Pages 3 - 10)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Executive meeting held on 19 January 2010.

3. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting, members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or a matter within the Executive's remit can do so. The deadline for registering is **5:00 pm on Monday 1 February 2010**.

4. Executive Forward Plan (Pages 11 - 14)

To receive details of those items that are listed on the Forward Plan for the next two Executive meetings.

5. Feedback on One Place Website / Approval for York's Profile on the York & North Yorkshire Local Information System (Pages 15 - 24)

This report presents feedback from the analysis work requested by Executive Members on the Audit Commission's One Place website data and seeks approval to launch the first stage of the York & North Yorkshire Local Information System, aimed at sharing information with North Yorkshire Strategic Partnership members.

6. Urgent Business

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

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City of York Council

Committee Minutes

MEETING

EXECUTIVE

DATE

19 JANUARY 2010

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS WALLER (CHAIR), AYRE,
STEVE GALLOWAY, MOORE, MORLEY, REID AND
RUNCIMAN

PART A - MATTERS DEALT WITH UNDER DELEGATED POWERS**135. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in the business on the agenda. No interests were declared.

136. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Annex 1 to agenda item 10 (Access York Phase 1 Park & Ride Development – Procurement of a Lead Design Consultant), on the grounds that it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of particular persons, which is classed as exempt under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

137. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Executive meeting held on 15 December 2009 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

138. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

139. EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN

Members received and noted details of those items that were listed on the Forward Plan for the next two Executive meetings at the time the agenda was published. It was noted that a number of items had been added to the Plan since that date.

140. MINUTES OF WORKING GROUPS

Members considered a report which presented the minutes of the meeting of the Social Inclusion Working Group held on 2 December 2009.

Members were invited to consider the advice of the Group in its capacity as an advisory body to the Executive, and in particular the following recommendations contained in Minute 24:

“(i) That the Group recommend that the Hate Incident Reporting Strategy be reviewed as a matter of urgency.

“(ii) That the Group recommend that the Council works with partner organisations to ensure that a Community Cohesion Strategy is put in place as soon as possible.”

RESOLVED: (i) That the Group’s recommendation that the Hate Incident Reporting Strategy be reviewed as a matter of urgency be endorsed, and that the Chief Executive be asked to write to the Chair of the Safer York Partnership to co-ordinate the City of York Council’s assistance with the ongoing review and assessment of positive outcomes from a new strategy.¹

(ii) That the Group’s recommendation that the Council work with partner organisations to ensure that a Community Cohesion Strategy is put in place as soon as possible, and that the Chief Executive be asked to report on updates to subsequent Executive meetings.²

REASON: In accordance with the requirements of the Council’s Constitution in relation to the role of Working Groups, and to reflect the work already being carried out in respect of the matters referred to in the recommendations of the Social Inclusion Working Group.

Action Required

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| 1. Write to Chair of Safer York Partnership in the terms agreed | KE |
| 2. Make arrangements to provide update reports to Executive on the Community Cohesion Strategy | KE |

141. UPDATE ON CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

Members considered a report which provided an update on the revisions to the Constitution recently agreed by Full Council, in accordance with Article 16 of the Constitution.

The revisions related to the formal abolition of the Shadow Executive, the removal of Executive Member Advisory Panels (EMAPs) and the introduction of revised scrutiny structures. Full details were attached as Annex A to the report.

In considering the constitutional revisions, Members commented that it was not yet clear how the new decision-making and scrutiny system would achieve the necessary objectivity, transparency and clarity and that in their view the loss of the former Executive Member and Advisory Panels was regrettable.

RESOLVED: That the constitutional changes detailed in Annex A, which have been made as a result of the previous decisions of Council during 2009/10 to amend its scrutiny structure, as well as abolish EMAPS and the Shadow Executive, be formally noted.

REASON: To meet constitutional requirements for reporting to the Executive details of actual changes to the Council's Constitution.

142. THE FUTURE DELIVERY OF BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT AND INWARD INVESTMENT IN YORK

Members considered a report which presented recommendations for the future delivery of Business Engagement with major employers (often referred to as Key Account Management, or KAM), and Inward Investment in York.

The recommendations had resulted from informal discussions between the founder members of york-england.com. This was a limited company set up by City of York Council, North Yorkshire County Council and Yorkshire Forward to attract inward investment to York and North Yorkshire. More recently, its focus had shifted towards undertaking a programme of KAM with major employers in the sub-region.

As a result of these discussions, the following options were presented for the future delivery of KAM and associated activities in York:

Option 1 – maintain the current arrangements through york-england.com.

Option 2 – develop a proposal in line with a suggestion from non-stakeholder members of the york-england.com board, as set out in Annex A to the report, involving a reconstituted york-england.com with representation from the York Economic Partnership and with City of York Council as the single stakeholder.

Option 3 – position KAM and associated activity within the mainstream economic development function of the Council, with a line of accountability to the York Economic Partnership.

Option 3 was recommended, on the basis that it would rationalise business support arrangements within the Council and provide a streamlined and more effective service. It would also address the need for a strong private sector involvement by providing a stronger focus for the role of the York Economic Partnership.

RESOLVED: (i) That Option 3 be approved as the most appropriate means of delivering Key Account Management and Inward Investment activity in York.

(ii) That the Director of City Strategy be instructed to make the necessary arrangements regarding staffing in respect of Option 3, and to develop a new 'York Enterprise' team within the Council which responds to the objectives of the 'Future York Report' through engagement with the Economic Partnership Chair.¹

REASON: In order to rationalise business support arrangements within the Council, provide a streamlined and more effective service and address the need for a strong private sector involvement in promoting York as an international 'brand'.

Action Required

1. Make the necessary staffing arrangements for implementation of Option 3 and development of a York Enterprise team. BW

143. REVIEW OF LOW CARBON EMISSION RESIDENTS' PARKING SCHEMES

Members considered a report which reviewed the results of an investigation into how other local authorities had encouraged the use of lower carbon emission vehicles in their residents' parking (Respark) schemes and presented a number of options for improving existing schemes in York.

The review, which had been identified as part of the Council Budget approved on 26 February 2009, had examined schemes operating in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames and the City of Edinburgh (the Park Green scheme). Both of these were based upon vehicle specific schemes, in contrast to the current York Scheme, which was predominantly non vehicle specific. Comparative details of the three schemes were set out in paragraphs 4 to 31 of the report.

Further research would be necessary to assess the financial and resource implications of significant changes to the current scheme. At this stage, the following basic options were presented for consideration:

Option A – no change to the existing scheme. Not recommended, as there was no evidence that the current scheme was influencing permit holders to switch to low emission vehicles.

Option B – make changes to the existing scheme. Recommended changes included: informing households of the benefits of changing to low emission vehicles, increasing the permit discount to include Band C vehicles, allowing all electric or LPG driven first household vehicles to qualify for a discount, and imposing a surcharge on vehicles in Bands K, L and M. This was the recommended option.

Option C – develop a new vehicle specific scheme similar to that operating in Richmond. This would require wholesale changes to current working practices and it was not yet clear whether it would have a positive or detrimental effect in York. It would take about a year to gather data on all the vehicles in the scheme and to carry out consultation.

Members noted that no adverse representations had been received to the proposed changes outlined in the report. If approved, they would be included in the budget proposals for the 2010/11 financial year.

RESOLVED: (i) That the review of the Council's Residents' Parking Scheme and the new schemes in Edinburgh and Richmond be noted.

(ii) That the changes to the Residents' Parking Scheme outlined in Option B in the report (including an additional premium of £18 to be paid for all passes issued to owners of vehicles in VED bands J-M, together with a freeze on the current price of low emission and standard car rate permits) be approved for introduction from the beginning of the new financial year, and that the impact of the changes be monitored.¹

(iii) That Officers be requested to include vehicles over 5 metres long in the premium category for parking permits.²

(iv) That the collection of vehicle specific data for the scheme over the next twelve months be approved and that consultation be carried out on a potential Residents' Parking low emissions scheme for York.³

(v) That a further report, which considers the implications of a low emission scheme, be prepared for the Executive.⁴

REASON: In order to enhance and increase the influence of an already comparatively favourable emission discount system and to make the best use of available resources whilst taking considerable steps towards achieving the Council's own targets on improving air quality and tackling congestion, maintaining York's position at the forefront of CO₂ emission reduction schemes and bringing the current discount policy further in line with Government aspirations on reduced vehicle emissions.

Action Required

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| 1. Implement the agreed changes to the Respark Scheme | DC |
| 2. Ensure that vehicles over 5m long are included in the premium category for Respark permits | DC |
| 3. Make arrangements for the collection of vehicle specific data and consultation on low emissions scheme | DC |
| 4. Schedule report on implications of vehicle specific low emissions scheme on Executive Forward Plan | DC |

**144. ACCESS YORK PHASE 1 PARK & RIDE DEVELOPMENT -
PROCUREMENT OF A LEAD DESIGN CONSULTANT**

Members considered a report which summarised the evaluation of tenders submitted for Lead Design Consultant for the Access York Phase 1 Park & Ride Project and recommended that Halcrow Group Ltd be nominated as the preferred bidder.

The selection had been carried out in accordance with the OJEU restricted procedure. Following the OJEU notification and Pre-Qualification process, a total of six consultants had been invited to tender. Four tenders had been received on the due date and each had been individually assessed by the evaluation team. Details of the evaluation were set out in (exempt) Annex 1 to the report. The two highest scoring organisations had participated in a further evaluation stage, involving presentations and interviews. This had resulted in the selection of Halcrow as the preferred bidder in terms of both cost effectiveness and ability to deliver the project to the right standard.

It was noted that the contractual appointment of the service was still subject to the DfT award of Programme Entry and further confirmation of funding arrangements at both Regional and City level. Officers reported at the meeting that further progress had now been made on the award process following a successful meeting between the Council and the DfT last week.

RESOLVED: That Halcrow Group Ltd. be nominated as the preferred bidder for the Leader Design Consultant for the Access York Phase 1 Park & Ride development, subject to the DfT decision on Programme Entry and subsequent funding agreements.¹

REASON: To enable the Access York Phase 1 project to proceed as planned, by following the procurement process in the nomination of a preferred bidder for the Lead Design Consultant.

Action Required

1. Inform the relevant parties of the nomination of the preferred bidder and take any other necessary action

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PART B - MATTERS REFERRED TO COUNCIL

145. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT REFRESH 2009/10

Members considered a report which presented a refreshed version of the Council's Local Area Agreement (LAA) for the period 2009/10. The refreshed LAA was attached as Annex A to the report.

The 2009/10 LAA refresh process applied only to the following designated indicators:

- NI 116 – Proportion of children in poverty
- NI 152 – Working age people on out of work benefits
- NI 155 – Number of affordable homes delivered (gross)
- NI 166 – Average earnings of employees in the area
- NI 171 – VAT registration rates.

The report set out the latest position on each of the above indicators, following discussions and negotiations with Government Office for Yorkshire & the Humber (GOYH). Officers reported at the meeting that GOYH's negotiating position on indicator NI 116 was currently unclear. All Council Members would be informed of any change to this position before the Full Council meeting on 4 February.

Although the formal refresh process did not apply to York's local LAA indicators, the following local indicators had also been updated where required for the final year of the LAA:

- NI 54 – Services for disabled children
- NI 57 – Children's participation in sport
- LI 5 – Adult participation in physical activity.

RECOMMENDED: That Council approve the refreshed Local Area Agreement presented at Annex A to the report, for endorsement by Without Walls on 11 February 2010 prior to submission to central government.¹

REASON: In order to meet the statutory requirement to refresh the LAA and meet central government guidelines.

Action Required

1. Ensure that this recommendation is put before Full Council on 4 February 2010 FY

A Waller, Chair

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EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN (as at 14 January 2010)

Table 1: Items scheduled on the Forward Plan for the Executive Meeting on 16 February 2010		
Title & Description	Author	Portfolio Holder
<p>Performance and Finance Monitor 3</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: Provision of the latest forecast of the council's financial and performance position.</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: to agree proposed amendments to plans, mitigation for identified issues and financial adjustments (such as allocations from contingency and virements) which are reserved to the Executive.</i></p>	Peter Lowe	Executive Member for Corporate Services
<p>Capital Programme Monitor 3</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: Provision of the latest forecast of the council's financial and performance position.</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Agree proposed amendments to the capital programme and financial adjustments which are reserved to the Executive.</i></p>	Louise Branford-White	Executive Member for Corporate Services
<p>Treasury Management Monitor 3</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: To update Members on the performance of the treasury management function</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Approve the contents of the report</i></p>	Ross Brown	Executive Member for Corporate Services

<p>Introduction of a Taxi Card for Disabled Persons</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: Replace Transport Tokens with a state of the art secure smartcard system. Will affect current token users (2000 disabled persons) and local taxi operators. Allow at least 6 months lead time for full EU tendering process and scheme operation. Scheme proposed to commence operation in 2010-11.</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Consider the procurement of a taxi card system to replace Transport Tokens.</i></p>	<p>Andrew Bradley</p>	<p>Executive Member for City Strategy</p>
<p>10:10 Campaign and Sustainability Update</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: The report will outline the 10:10 campaign and identify planned projects, resources and timescales for implementation of the campaign across CYC directorates. Also update members on key sustainability projects, including the Climate Change Framework and Action Plan.</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Note the campaign and proposed projects that will enable the council to achieve the aims of the 10:10 campaign. Note progress of key sustainability projects being carried out across CYC and across York.</i></p>	<p>David Warburton</p>	<p>Executive Member for City Strategy</p>
<p>Fleet Management and Vehicle Maintenance</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: To update members on progress with the vehicle maintenance facility and consider options for the future of fleet management and vehicle maintenance.</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Consider the options and approve the option recommended by officers.</i></p>	<p>Geoff Derham</p>	<p>Executive Member for Neighbourhoods</p>

<p>Financial Strategy 2010 - 2016</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: Present Financial Strategy 2010 - 2016, including the detailed Revenue Budget proposals for 2010/11</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Recommend to Council - net revenue requirements, savings and growth proposals, use of reserves and collection fund surplus, dedicated schools grant proposals, housing revenue account proposals, fees and charges and housing rent proposals, to enable Council to approve the Council budget and set the Council Tax levels for 2010/11</i></p>	Janet Lornie	Executive Leader
<p>Capital Programme Budget 10/11 to 14/15</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: Present the 5 year capital programme Budget 10/11 to 14/15 including new capital schemes and appropriate funding arrangements, following this years Capital Resource Allocation Model (CRAM) process.</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Recommend to Full Council the approval of the 5 year Capital programme Budget 10/11 to 14/15, the new schemes and the associated funding.</i></p>	Ross Brown	Executive Leader
<p>Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Prudential Indicators for 2010/11 to 2014/15</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: The purpose of this report is to ask the Executive to recommend that Council approve:</i> <i>an integrated Treasury Management Strategy Statement including the annual investment strategy and the minimum revenue provision policy statement.</i> <i>the proposed Prudential Indicators for 2010/11 to 2012/13; the revised Treasury Management Policy and Treasury Management Practices</i> <i>the Treasury Management Scheme of Delegation</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Recommend that Council approve:</i> <i>an integrated Treasury Management Strategy Statement including the annual investment strategy and the minimum revenue provision policy statement.</i> <i>the proposed Prudential Indicators for 2010/11 to 2012/13; the revised Treasury Management Policy and Treasury Management Practices</i> <i>the Treasury Management Scheme of Delegation.</i></p>	Louise Brandford-White	Executive Leader

<p>Comments from the Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee regarding the referral from the Executive on overspends in Adult Social services</p> <p><i>Purpose of report: To inform the Executive of the Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee's comments regarding the HASS overspend</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Consider the Committee's comments alongside the budget proposals for 2010/11</i></p>	Tracy Wallis	Executive Member for Housing and Adult Social Services
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<p>Table 2: Items scheduled on the Forward Plan for the Executive Meeting on 2 March 2010</p>		
<p>Minutes of Working Groups</p> <p><i>Purpose of Report: This report presents the minutes of recent meetings of the Young People's Working Group, the LDF Working Group and the Social Inclusion Working Group and asks Members to consider the advice given by the Groups in their capacity as advisory bodies to the Executive.</i></p> <p><i>Members are asked to: Note the minutes and to decide whether they wish to approve the specific recommendations made by the Working Groups, and /or respond to any of the advice offered by the Working Groups.</i></p>	Jayne Carr	Executive Leader

<p>Table 3: Items slipped on the Forward Plan with the agreement of the Group Leaders</p>		
<p>None</p>		



Executive

2 February 2010

Report of the Assistant Director (Customer Service & Governance)**Feedback on One Place website / Approval for York's profile on the York & North Yorkshire Local Information System.****Summary**

- 1 This report covers two areas regarding the publication of performance data and local information about York, both of which are linked:
 - a) The first part of the report will cover feedback from the analysis work requested by Executive members on One Place website data. This website was launched in December by the Audit Commission to show the results of the Comprehensive Area Assessment.
 - b) The second part covers the York and North Yorkshire Local Information System (LIS). Approval is requested from Executive to launch the first stage of the project aimed at sharing local information with North Yorkshire Strategic Partnership members and York LSP members.
- 2 These two areas are covered together because they are closely linked though data collection, analysis and reporting. The council does not have any control over the data which is published on the One Place website, however by working together with partners from York and North Yorkshire to develop and maintain a Local Information System (LIS), all data will have been previously verified by City of York Council (CYC) and/or its partners. The LIS will allow officers, members and the public to access and use useful data about York, make comparisons with other councils or cities/towns, and use this to produce more timely and reliable information for the public about the area in which they live. It will also enable CYC to enhance the council's own performance management and reporting arrangements.

Background**Oneplace Website Data**

- 3 Following discussions with the Audit Commission over the accuracy of a small sample of their data, they have confirmed that the data presented on the website relating to York was accurate. A recent internal detailed analysis on those verifiable indicators (187 out of more than 400 on the website) showed that the performance data for York on the One Place Website site is correct. The main observations are mainly about presentation and interpretation rather than data accuracy as outlined in paragraph 7 below. Discussions are taking place with the Audit Commission to gain feedback on these observations.

Background and context

4 This year saw a major change in the way performance about York and all single tier local authorities is reported to the public. In the past all performance data would be calculated and reported before it was signed off and published by the Audit Commission. Now, a large amount of performance data included in the One Place website is collected and provided via government bodies, local partners or from national statistical websites (e.g. Office National Statistics, NOMIS, PCT, Department of Transport). It is therefore difficult to quality check all the figures for York prior to publication. Nevertheless, all York’s ‘national indicator’ performance data has been checked from a number of sources to make sure they match the council’s own performance results. This involved looking at performance data from 3 different sites:

<p>One Place site Public site showing CAA results , including area assessment and over 400 indicators (including 187 NPIs)</p>	<p>CAA Area Profile Site Open to officers before CAA results were published and should mirror what goes on the One Place site.</p>	<p>Performance Hub Used to collect data from Government agencies, partners and the council on NPIs only.</p>
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5 Positive features of the One Place Site

a) Detailed and comprehensive information about York is now all in ‘one place’ for the public. Performance data (from government bodies and statistic sites) is now available on a more regular and up-to-date basis.

b) The quartile dial is easy to understand and shows how close CYC is to the next quartile.



c) Greater levels of information will in future improve the council’s data quality procedures and performance.

6 The site represents a step-change in the way a vast amount of performance information and data about York is made available to the public. However, it should be noted that the performance indicator part of the One Place site is an information source about York, and should not be seen as a formal judgement of how York is performing. It is the annual CAA inspection process that assesses the council’s performance against priority improvement (i.e. a specific sub-set of indicators) and this leads to the overall Area and Organisational Assessment results, which are formally published as green/red flags and 1-4 scores. York scored a 3 (performs well) for managing performance in 2009.

7 Matters under discussion:

Relating to specific indicators:

a) NPI 19: proven re-offending by young offenders – re-offending is not reported as a percentage and the data is in the wrong quarter compared to the performance hub, which shows poor direction of travel and comparative performance. The Youth Justice Board has noticed the error and it is a national problem. They are looking into the issue.

- b) NPI 123: Number of people quitting smoking – shows York deteriorating in Q1 of 2009-10. (York's figure reduced because of the start of a new cumulative year).
- c) NPI 189: Flood risk management – shows York as 'in worst 10%', when it is actually performing at the maximum 100%.

More general presentational points:

- d) The year the data relates to is not clear until the user drills down further on the web page.
 - e) The council's comparative position can change considerably depending on what group of authorities comparisons are with (e.g. satisfaction indicators are usually compared to 'all councils' and council tax band D is compared with 'Unitaries').
 - f) Understanding the dials can be confusing for different indicators. Three examples are 'in the best', 'in the lowest' and 'in the worst third'. The first two actually mean CYC is top performing, whilst the third is the only one where performance is poor (3rd quartile).
 - g) Negative 'directions of travel' are shown for example, when performance moves from Q4 to Q1 (i.e. when a drop in performance happens naturally for cumulative indicators).
- 8 It is clear that the One Place site will in the future be a very useful source of data and will inform more up-to-date performance management reports and decision making across the council and the city. Links will also be made between the One Place site and the proposed York and North Yorkshire Local Information System (LIS).

North Yorkshire and York Local Information System

- 9 The following section of the report outlines the progress made with the York and North Yorkshire Local Information System (LIS). York agreed to join in partnership with the York and North Yorkshire Strategic Partnership at the 15 July 2009 Corporate Management Team (CMT) meeting on the proviso that funding was made available and links with Leeds City Region were explored. North Yorkshire Council have been the lead authority and have received 3 year funding from the Regional Improvement and Efficiency Partnership (RIEP) to support the project. Over the last 6 months progress has been made towards establishing key data sets to be used and building a temporary area on North Yorkshire's Mapping site until the LIS is built (see paragraph 19).
- 10 The project is now at a stage where the first stage of the York profile can be demonstrated and which can be made live any point after final approval from members.

What is a Local Information System?

- 11 The North Yorkshire and York Local Information System will provide:
- a) A map based, on line local statistics service for the public, with user friendly and graphically clear presentational facilities.
 - b) A large shared data warehouse facility for the use of partners - to be able to better assess strategic priorities, and guide operational evidence based projects. Users will be able to layer different data sets together to analyse data in a more effective way.
- 12 Used wisely, this system will provide partners with improved data and analytical capabilities. This will help maximise front line service efficiencies and opportunities to

align services, processes and operational activities are taken. The system should also help ensure that local communities are kept in touch with the outcomes of service delivery and strategic decisions through up to date information and trends/changes in quality of life. A summary of anticipated benefits is contained in Annex 1.

- 13 The North Yorkshire Local Strategic Partnership has been working on this project for the last year. All partners within the partnership have signed up to the project through their Chief Executives and CYC agreed to be part of the project in June 2009 after approval from CMT.

Costs, Funding and Procurement

- 14 North Yorkshire Strategic Partnership received funding from the RIEP which needs to be spent by March 2011. This will provide £140,000 to develop the project including part funding for a regional manager from RIEP.
- 15 The funding will cover a 3-year period including maintenance. After which a review will take place to see if the project is successful and should be continued. At this point all partners will be asked to make a small contribution to carry on the maintenance and development. York could then decide to withdraw from the project if these funding demands are excessive.
- 16 At the moment there are many different websites available to officers and the public to collect and store information. It is anticipated that this project will bring efficiency savings in the long term as officers will save time by going to one data source to collect and show multiple data sets. For example, instead of individual officers requesting different pieces of information from the police or PCT, it will be stored under one source.
- 17 The main advantage to joining with North Yorkshire is the economies of scale it will bring. NYCC is dedicating 2 members of staff to the project, which York can utilise. The profile created below for York (see paragraph 19) was completed by NYCC and is an extension of other data sets already created. If York was to attempt to create the information already stored on the profile it would take a significant amount of time.
- 18 The procurement phase started in January 2010 and will take approx 9 to 12 months and is being led by NYCC. All partners in the project have been asked to think of their future requirements as clearly as possible, to ensure that the effectiveness of the system is maximised through the development of a good specification.

Draft York Profile

- 19 To start the process of gathering data to be shown on the LIS once built, NYCC have been developing area profiles using national and local data (Police ward profiles, Yorkshire Forward data), which can be accessed by the public. York have agreed with NYCC to create a draft York profile on the NYCC profile website which York can link to from the council website. This link would become live following Executive member approval.
- 20 This is the first stage of development, bringing information altogether in one place. As the project rolls out more data layers will be added and once the LIS is built, all this information will be transferred over to the new system. The profile currently has 56 datasets and is a mixture of:
 - Census data (2001)

- NOMIS data (2008/09)
- ONS Data (2008)
- Limited Acxiom data through Yorkshire Forward (2008)
- Crime profiles through North Yorkshire Police (2009).

- 21 All the information currently on the profile comes from national or partner data. As yet CYC has not provided any data sets. Over the next 9-12 months while the full procurement process is being carried out officers will be working in the background to develop localised data sets, which come direct from CYC systems. This will be done in full consultation with key officers and senior managers.
- 22 This information will complement information on the One Place site and other information projects in CYC, including the development of customer insight data. The main difference the LIS will bring is that it will develop data which allows users to understand and analyse York at a city and ward level, whilst customer insight will focus more on profiling customers. The One Place site is completely controlled by the Audit Commission and only publishes information at city wide level and does not include important performance information and statistics down to ward or street level.
- 23 The council will also sign up to a data sharing protocol, which includes data protection on any sensitive data that is used in the development and publication of data sets for the LIS. Any data used will be de-personalised to ensure that the information complies with the Data Protection Act.

Accessing the York Profile Page

- 24 Annex 2 has some screen shots from the York Profile. Once the profile has gone live access will be through a link on the CYC Website.

Next Steps

- 25 Over the next few months, if approval is given, the council will progress this project through:
- a) Attendance and support to the North Yorkshire Data Observatory Steering Group with the specification and procurement processes.
 - b) Going-live in February with the York Profile.
 - c) Further engagement with the York LSP raising the profile of the project (although many of the main partners are already signed up with the NYLSP).
 - d) Consultation with key officers on datasets York would like to see and provide to the data observatory.
 - e) Additional briefings to LSP and Executive to update progress.

Consultation

- 26 The draft York profile has been circulated to key officers in the council for feedback. The feedback so far has been very positive and it is already starting to be a catalyst for further thinking about developing data at ward level including:
- a) The economic development team would like to use their experience from the Kingsway West project and develop the system to help similar projects.

- b) It is seen as a way to align York's Local Development Framework evidence base and monitoring work with that for the Sustainable Community Strategy and Local Area Agreement.
- c) It is also seen as a useful tool to develop neighbourhood level information through the Neighbourhood Management teams.
- d) The Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) – Without Walls Executive Delivery Board gave their support to the project at their meeting in December 2009.

Options

27 Members have two options in relation to the LIS:

- 1. To approve the launch of York's profile on the North Yorkshire & York Local Information System to move from the draft to a live format on the NYCC website.
- 2. To withdraw from the NYCC LIS project and consider an alternative such as the development of an in-house system instead.

28 Members should note that choosing option 2 would mean York will lose out on a share of the RIEP funding and project support. It could also mean that the council will miss out on many of the benefits set out in Annex 1 and see York fall behind other authorities (both regionally and nationally) in terms of developing useful data and information for neighbourhood profiling and decision-making.

Corporate priorities

29 The data and resulting analysis of both the One Place and LIS could provide assistance in informing and shaping future strategic planning and any amended or new corporate priorities. York will also be able to target resources to areas most in need of improvement and provide the evidence to support this and check whether improvements are made as a result.

Implications

30 The implications are:

- a) *Financial* – the project will be funded for 3 years. There will be a financial contribution for maintenance spread across all partners after the third year only if the project is deemed successful enough to continue.
- b) *Human Resources* – initially this project will need to be resourced to be able to work in partnership with North Yorkshire. Currently there is one member of staff within the Corporate Performance Team supporting the project and this will continue. However it is anticipated in future this system may lead to efficiencies with the collection of data across both the council and its partner organisations.
- c) *Equalities* - the LIS will provide a better view of the population structure of the city highlighting equality issues.
- d) *Legal* - there are no implications due to NYCC taking responsibilities for procurement.
- e) *Crime and Disorder* - the LIS will provide a better view of the crime statistics across of the city.

- f) *Information Technology* – York will need to provide a link to the LIS from the council's own website.
- g) *Property* - there are no implications.
- h) *Other* - there are no implications.

Risk Management

- 31 The main risk associated with joining the LIS project is the initial impact on officer time. However, the council has a number of officers who are already working on similar projects in-house and this resources could be redirected at no additional cost to the council. The risks associated with not joining with the LIS project are:
- Delaying the project and development of the profiles.
 - Missing out on the funding available.
 - Missing out on the joint expertise of the NYCC mapping officers.
 - Poor CAA score.
 - Alienating partners.
 - Longer term efficiencies.
 - Poorer decision making due to lack of quality information.

Recommendations

- 32 Members are asked to:

- a) note the results of the analysis exercise carried out on the Audit Commission's One Place site and the further work underway with auditors and other organisations.

Reason

To keep members informed of progress in ensuring public data relating to the City is accurate and presented clearly.

- b) approve the launch of the York profile on the North Yorkshire & York Local Information System to enable the move from the draft stage to a live stage on the NYCC website.

Reason

To take advantage of an external funding opportunity, further improve knowledge about our communities and share information with partners and other organisations.

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Background Information

CAA Reports to Executive –15 December 2009
One Place Website

Annexes

Annex 1 Anticipated Benefits from the LIS
Annex 2 Example Screen Shots of York Profile from the LIS

Anticipated Benefits from the LIS

Annex 1

Authorities outside North Yorkshire & York:

- A set of resources available to them to help them develop and enhance their own local area information systems.
- A greater awareness of what authorities across the region are doing on small area information production and use.
- Ultimately, the ability to strengthen benchmarking and identify where approaches in similar areas have been successful.

Elected members:

Through the use of system outputs such as charts, maps etc, as well as bespoke analyses, the ability to accurately describe the issues facing their areas and

- progress on an evidence basis rather than one of perception. This will enhance their ability to engage and lead communities.
- They could use neighbourhood-level evidence to agree interventions and monitor their impact.
- They will have a much better idea of how the performance of their authority compares with others at a micro-level.

Local Strategic Partnership:

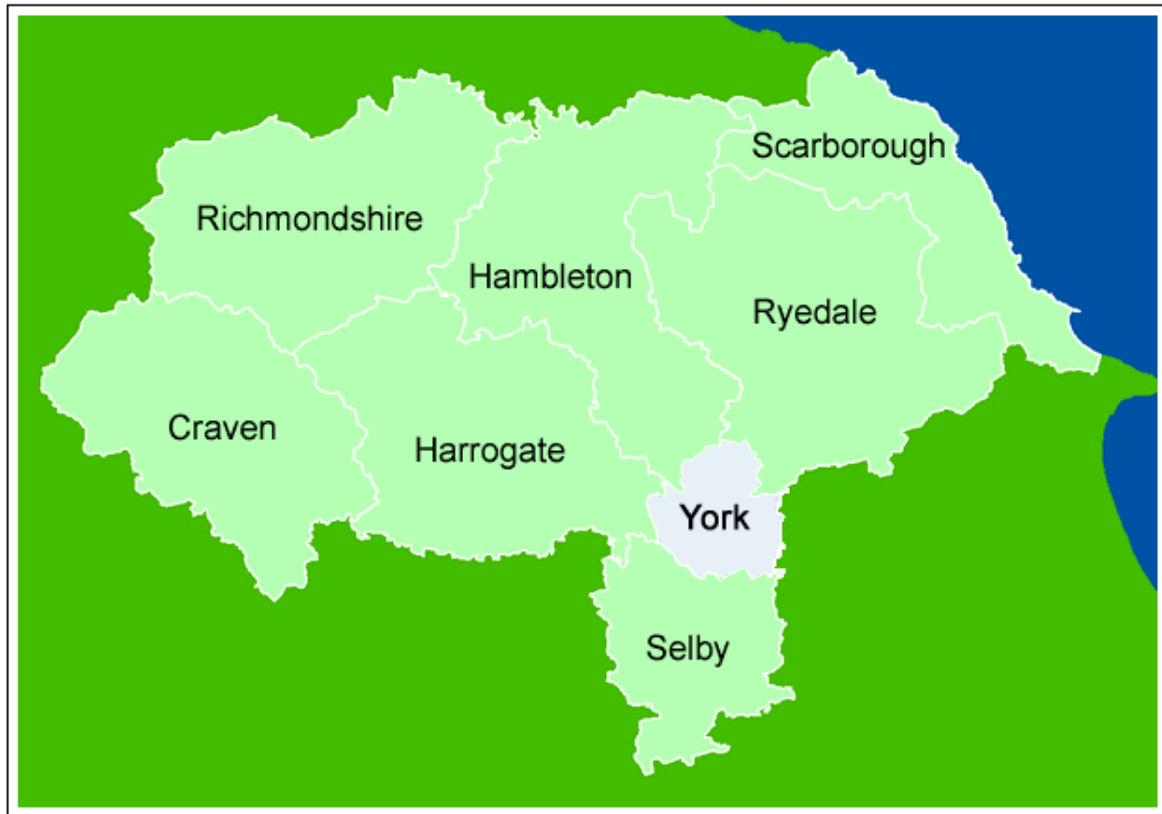
- A system which covers the region would allow wider benchmarking of performance for all partners, leading to more accurate performance monitoring and better targeting of interventions.
- Ability to share information on what works for similar areas and for similar issues across the region.
- Enhanced reputation of the region nationally for the use of local area information and cross-council cooperation. Also an enhanced reputation for leading the way nationally on developing a system which supports and informs the broad aims of Total Place and the Audit Commission's One Place web-site (and area profiles).
- Better value for money in supporting cross-border projects which require local information – the data would already be available, rather than having to start again each time. A good example of this would be the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment .

Communities:

- They can find out what issues their neighbourhood is facing.
- They can compare their neighbourhood with others outside the council area, which will give a better idea of how successful service delivery has been.
- They can use the information to form opinions on the performance of their council, their representatives and public services.

The voluntary & community sector:

- VCS bodies would benefit from being able to accurately monitor the effectiveness of policy across the region to help them, for example, target their own efforts.



Safer >> Crime: Criminal Damage (Rate April-October 2009)

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York Neighbourhoods

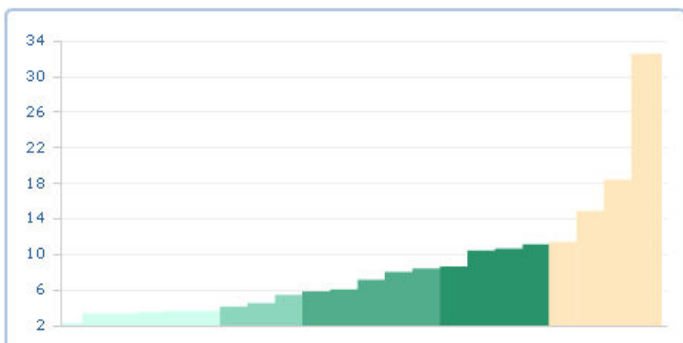
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- 5.5 - 8.4
- 8.5 - 11.1
- 11.2 - 32.4

Background Mapping

A map of York with neighborhoods shaded according to the crime rate legend. The shading ranges from light green (low rate) to dark green (high rate). The highest rate is shown in Guildhall.

Name	Indicator
Acomb	8.4
Bishopthorpe	11.2
Clifton	10.6
Derwent	3.6
Dringhouses and...	7.1
Fishergate	11.1
Fulford	3.6
Guildhall	32.4
Haxby and Wig...	4.1
Heslington	3.3
Heworth	8.6
Heworth Without	2.2
Holgate	8.0
Hull Road	10.4
Huntington and...	5.8

Name	Indicator
City of York	9.2
England	No Data
Y&H Region	No Data



Data polarity: A **low** value is good in terms of this indicator.

This measure of crime is the rate of recorded incidents of criminal damage, per 1000 population (ONS 2008 mid-year LSOA population estimates) during the period 01/04/09 to 30/09/09.

Source: North Yorkshire Police