

10 February 2020

Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee

Report of the Corporate Director of Economy and Place

York Central briefing

Summary

1. The purpose of this report is to brief the Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee (CCSSMC) on the status of the York Central project as requested at the CCSSMC, in the context that this is the largest project in the Major Projects portfolio.

Background

2. CCSSMC considered an update report on the approach to Corporate Projects in October 2019 in order to explore the potential for scrutiny topics in this area. It was asked that a scoping report was brought back to the Committee in December 2019 in order to look at potential pieces of work.
3. The Committee suggested several areas for investigation, one of which was a look into the structure and processes around the York Central project.
4. It was acknowledged that a review of the York Central project has been to the Audit and Governance Committee in the autumn and that, along with a brief update on the project taken from the latest highlight report, the paper from the Audit and Governance briefing (see **Annex A - Managing Risk in the York Central Project**) would be presented for the Committee's consideration.

York Central Update

5. The progress of the project can be tracked through the monthly highlight report on the York Open Data platform. The current status of the project is as follows (the full highlight report is included in **Annex A**):

Current status

- The Outline Planning Application was approved by Planning Committee in March 2019. The Reserved Matters Application for phase 1 off plot infrastructure is being prepared and will be submitted in February 2020.
- John Sisk Ltd have been appointed as infrastructure delivery partner for Phase 1 Infrastructure on PCS, looking at Value Engineering, Buildability, and risk management
- The WY+TF Full Business Case has been conditionally approved by WYCA.
- HIF decision awaited.

Future outlook

- The Outline Planning Application was approved by Planning Committee in March 2019. The Reserved Matters Application for phase 1 off plot infrastructure is being prepared and will be submitted in late February/March 2020.
- John Sisk Ltd appointed as infrastructure delivery partner for Phase 1 Infrastructure PCS, they have reported on Value Engineering, Buildability and risk management. The output will now be reviewed and considered by Infrastructure Delivery Board and Infrastructure Co-ordination Board prior to progressing to Stage 4 Design
- The WY+TF Full Business Case is conditionally approved by WYCA and CYC are working through discharge of the conditions.
- HIF decision awaited.

Recommendations

6. The Customer and Corporate Services Management Committee is asked to review the documentation in the body of the report and explore areas for potential further work.

Reason: To ensure that the committee is confident of the structure of the Council's largest Major project.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None

Wards Affected: All

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Abbreviations

CCSSMC – Customer and Corporate Scrutiny Management Committee

Annexes

Annex A - Managing Risk in the York Central Project

Annex A1 - Governance arrangements (excerpt from Nov 18 Executive report)

Annex A2 - Terms of reference for the Strategic Board and the Coordination Board and the Infrastructure Delivery Board

Annex A3 - York Central Risk Log

Annex A4 - Verto York Central Highlight report

Annex A5 - York Central Gateway Review report

Annex A6 - Summary of York Central Executive decisions