



Notice of a public meeting of

Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee

To: Councillors N Barnes (Chair), K Myers (Vice-Chair),
D'Agorne, Funnell, Gates, Hunter and Reid

Date: Wednesday, 4 October 2017

Time: 5.30 pm

Venue: The Thornton Room - Ground Floor, West Offices (G039)

AGENDA

1. Declarations of Interest

At this point, Members are asked to declare:

- any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests
- any prejudicial interests or
- any disclosable pecuniary interests

which they may have in respect of business on this agenda.

2. Minutes

(Pages 1 - 6)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 2 August 2017.

3. Public Participation

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4. 2017/18 Finance and Performance Monitor 1 (Pages 7 - 14) Report

This report provides details of the 2017/18 forecast outturn position for both finance and performance across services within the Economy and Place Directorate, incorporating data up to July 2017.

5. Progress Update on Allerton Park Waste Recovery Treatment Centre (Pages 15 - 24)

To receive a presentation from the Programme Manager, Economy and Place, detailing development progress for Allerton Park Waste Recovery Treatment Centre.

6. CYC Flood Defences Action Plan - Biannual Update (Pages 25 - 32)

This report presents an update on the ongoing work of the Environment Agency to renew existing flood defences across the city and provide new ones, and invites Members to note and give feedback on the progress made.

7. Presentation on Operation of CYC's Commercial Portfolio

To receive a presentation from the Assistant Director of Regeneration and Asset Management setting out the current scope of the Council's commercial portfolio, with a breakdown of the range of properties and the income that they generate.

8. Work Plan 2017/18 (Pages 33 - 34)

Members are asked to consider the Committee's work plan for the municipal year.

9. Urgent Business

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

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Committee Minutes

Meeting	Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee
Date	2 August 2017
Present	Councillors N Barnes (Chair), K Myers (Vice-Chair), D'Agorne, Funnell, Gates, Hunter and Reid

6. Declarations of Interest

Members were asked to declare any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, any prejudicial interests or any disclosable pecuniary interests which they may have in respect of business on the agenda. None were declared.

7. Public Participation

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

8. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee held on 28 June 2017 be confirmed, and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

9. Attendance of Deputy Leader (Economic Development and Community Engagement), Executive Member for Environment & Executive Member for Transport & Planning - Priorities & Challenges for 2017/18

The Executive Member for Environment gave an overview of his priorities and challenges for 2017/18.

Members welcomed the update and in response to questions, the Executive Member clarified the following:

- With regard to whether there would be the opportunity to recycle tetra packs at bring banks, it was confirmed that the types of materials to be recycled would be reviewed as part of the analysis of the public

consultation, which closed on 30 September 2017. There had been 300 consultation responses to date.

- The communication regarding the changes to recycling would be via the calendar distributed to residents, which would include information on what could be recycled.
- There was provision in place to enable the recycling of bikes that could not be salvaged.
- It was confirmed that there was a programme in place to increase the number of charging points for electric cars in the city. The Scrutiny Officer advised Members that this was to be examined by the Economy and Place Policy Development Committee.
- Diesel generators were on standby at the Foss barrier in the event of flooding.
The objective of the clean air zone survey was to make a difference to the areas of poorest air quality.

The Deputy Leader (Economic Development and Community Engagement) gave an overview of his Economic Development priorities and challenges for 2017/18.

Members welcomed the update and in response to questions the Executive Member confirmed:

- Venturefest was a Yorkshire wide event organised by Make it York, that took place in York. York Business Week took place at the same time as Venturefest the previous year and would take place in York in 2017.
- In regard to the Business Improvement District (BID) an 89% collection rate for business rates in York was good compared to collection rates around the country and it continued to improve. The work of the BID had been well received by businesses and residents. The process for the collection of business rates was the same as the collection of council tax.
- The reporting mechanisms for businesses and residents to contact the rapid response 24 hour cleaning teams was explained.
- The case for the relocation of Channel 4 headquarters to York had been agreed by Full Council and a response to the consultation had been submitted by the Council.
- Work was ongoing to review Make it York's three year service level agreement, which was now in its final year.

The Executive Member for Transport and Planning gave an overview of his priorities and challenges for 2017/18, and provided an overview of the funding available from Leeds City Region for natural flood management work. He also confirmed the following:

- The pedestrianisation of Fossgate and Micklegate was being monitored and the flow of traffic in Fossgate was to be reversed and monitored. There would need to be consultation on proposed changes to access to the city centre.
- The planned parking review had not taken place as there had not been enough capacity to undertake the review.
- In order to address the flow of southbound traffic at the A19/Crockey Hill junction, there was a proposal to widen the road to create an extra lane outbound through the junction. The flow of traffic on Naburn Lane was also being looked as part of the Germany Beck development.
- The timescale for the completion of the Haxby Road/Wigginton Road roundabout was 2021/22. Referring to the upgrading of key roundabouts on the outer ring road, the Corporate Director of Economy and Place highlighted the complexities in regard to the purchase of land.
- There had been a 100% conversion of the city sightseeing buses to electric drive.

Resolved: That the priorities and challenges for Environment, Economic Development and Transport and Planning for 2017/18 be noted.

Reason: To identify possible topics for overview and scrutiny.

10. 2016/17 Finance & Performance Outturn Report

Members were updated on the 2016/17 outturn position for both finance and performance across the Economy and Place Directorate.. The Corporate Director of Economy and Place explained how the overspend of £724k would be addressed.

The following points were noted:

- The £100k shortfall in income from the Coppergate enforcement fines, was due to a raised awareness of the restrictions which had resulted in fewer infringements and fines.
- The Council was looking to put in additional camera enforcement on different bus lanes. The budget projections for this would be revised when a decision had been made by the Executive Member for Transport and Planning.
- The delivery rates for planning performance and housing delivery were high.

Resolved: That the 2016/17 outturn position for both finance and performance across the Economy and Place Directorate be noted.

Reason: To update the scrutiny committee of the latest finance and performance position.

11. Evaluation of Impact on Air Quality of New Developments

The Public Protection Manager delivered an evaluation of the impact on air quality of new developments to Members, and confirmed that:

- The use of biomass boilers in rural and urban areas was not recommended.
- Planning applications were assessed on their own merits.
- The Economy and Place Policy Development Committee would be considering how the low emission strategy would be taken forward to 2030.

Resolved: That the evaluation of the impact on air quality of new developments be noted.

Reason: To assess the impacts and ensure that a process for appropriate mitigation is in place.

12. Briefing on Building Control & Fire Risks

Members received an overview of the steps being taken to check the fire risks associated with buildings in York and officers confirmed:

- There was to be a government review of building regulations.
- In regard to private inspections undertaken on non-council owned properties across the city, these were certified by the government as being appropriate.
- With reference to what building regulations apply to historical buildings, it was noted that the buildings in the Shambles were being examined by the council's Health and Safety team.

Resolved: That the steps being taken to check the fire risks associated with buildings in York be noted.

Reason: To be reassured that the fire risks associated with buildings in York have been properly assessed.

13. Workplan 2017/18

The Committee considered the revised work plan for the 2017/18 municipal year and it was:

Resolved: That the work plan be approved.

Reason: To ensure that the Committee has an agreed programme of work in place.

Cllr N Barnes, Chair

[The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 7.32 pm].

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Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee

4 October 2017

Report of the Corporate Director of Economy and Place.

2017/18 Finance & Performance Monitor 1 Report

Summary

1. This report provides details of the 2017/18 forecast outturn position for both finance and performance across services within the Economy and Place Directorate. The paper incorporates data to July 2017 as reported to Executive on 31st August 2017.

Analysis

Finance

2. A summary of the services within Economy and Place is shown below:

	Budget £'000	Forecast Outturn £'000	Variance £'000
Economy and Place			
Transport	6,433	6,666	+233
Fleet	-248	-231	+17
Highways	3,073	3,079	+6
Parking Operations	1,190	1,263	+73
Parking Income	-6,932	-6,982	-50
Waste	9,370	9,267	-103
Public Realm	2,510	2,684	+174
Emergency Planning	108	108	0
Development Management	-238	2	+240
Forward Planning	571	571	0
Building Control & Land Charges	-407	-417	-10
Environmental Management	484	474	-10
Environmental Health & Licensing	627	627	0
Asset and Property Management	-2,449	-2,564	-115
Economic Development	884	814	-70
Management and Support	798	808	+10
TOTAL	15,774	16,169	+395

Note: '+' indicates an increase in expenditure or shortfall in income
'-' indicates a reduction in expenditure or increase in income

3. A net overspend of £395k is forecast primarily due to shortfalls in income from planning and Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) enforcement.
4. Parking income for the first three months is 8.4% higher than 2016/17, but this is primarily due to the timing of Easter, and early forecasting suggests a £50k overachievement of income. This is offset by a forecast shortfall in Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) income (£29k), backdated car park electricity costs of £21k and other additional operational costs (£23k).
5. There is a forecast underspend across waste services of £103k. This is primarily due to savings in waste disposal from the Teckal arrangement and waste PPP costs and increased income from the recycling rebate. This is offset by additional costs within waste collection whilst awaiting the delivery of new recycling vehicles and expected reduction in repair and hire costs once the vehicles no longer traverse the landfill site at Harewood Whin.
6. There are overspends of £266k on ANPR enforcement due to lower than anticipated net income from the scheme. The Coppergate ANPR Scheme implementation has had lower revenues than those seen previously and operational costs are not realising any economies of scale. There are also forecast overspends on CCTV as budgeted income to support the service has not yet been identified. These overspends are in part offset by mitigating savings from the West Yorkshire Transport Fund (WYTF) (£100k), additional income from Leeds City Region (£54k) and mitigating savings across road safety activities (£32k).
7. There is a forecast overspend on public realm operations of £174k due to various operational overspends including staffing (£36k), transport (£44k), repairs (£38k) and supplies (£40k).
8. A £240k shortfall in planning fee income is forecast due to a lower number of large planning fees. It is expected that as progress is made on the local plan then income from developers will increase. A number of other minor variations make up the directorate position.
9. A range of actions are being undertaken within the directorate to try to bring expenditure within the approved budget and reduce the

projected overspend as far as possible by the year end. Actions being progressed or considered include:

- Review of external funding streams to seek opportunities to maximise the impact on the revenue position
- Reviewing working patterns and the use of agency staff.
- Consideration of in year savings and revenue opportunities.

Performance Update

10. The 2017/18 scorecard for Economy and Place is attached at Annex 1. Other key performance information is included in the following paragraphs.
11. In 2016/17 there were over 5 million refuse and recycling collections with the recycling rate within the city increasing to 44% (43% 2015/16). Residual waste per household reduced to 553kg per household (565kg in 2015/16). 52% of respondents to the latest Talkabout survey thought that the Council and partners are doing well helping to reduce amount of household waste. Q1 in 2017/18 saw the successful roll out of Phase 1 of the Waste Services Review which saw the green waste and recycling service extended to include approximately 800 rural properties who didn't previously receive these collections.
12. The latest national figure is 78% (Community Life Survey 2016/17) and in York, 93% of respondents to the latest Talkabout survey are satisfied with York as a place to live and 91% with their local area. In another national survey (Department for Communities and Local Government, English Housing Survey) 88% of respondents were either very or fairly satisfied with their local area.
13. During December and February, City of York Council facilitated the BID to dress the historic Bar Wall entrances to the City with sparkling lights. This proved to be a major success, with at least 10,000 related interactions on social media and positive press coverage. The BID has appointed a new contractor for the Winter 2017 campaign with the intention of capitalising on the success of this year with plans for displays on a much larger scale.
14. 43% of the respondents to the Talkabout survey (which represents a decrease from 45% in the same period in 2016/17) think that the Council and partners are doing well at improving the quality of streets/public spaces. More panellists were positive about how well

the council was doing at improving green spaces and helping to reduce household waste.

15. In February approval was given to invest £2 million council capital funding into a 4 year programme of works to install 2,000 concrete and steel columns and fund structural maintenance checks for 12,000 light columns. All replacement columns with old sodium lights will be replaced with new white light LEDs. The rollout of LED lights is expected to save around 100k per annum in electricity usage and will help to further reduce environmental impacts.
16. In 2016 the median gross weekly earnings for residents of York were £509.60 which was an increase of 2.82% from £496.00 in 2015. The median earnings are higher than the Yorkshire & the Humber average of £498.30 but lower than the Great Britain average of £541.00. York is currently ranked 7/22 in the region (up from 8/22 in 2015) with Selby ranked the highest with the median gross weekly pay of £549.40 and Craven ranked the lowest with a gross weekly pay of £413.10. Figures for 2017 will be available in November.
17. Figures from the Office for National Statistics showed there were 560 JSA claimants in York in June 2017 which is a decrease of 55 from the previous month but an increase of 15 from June 2016. The claimant count for York represents 0.4% of the working population, which is lower than both the regional and national figures of 1.5% and 1.2% respectively in June 2017. The recent figures also highlight a rise of 5 in the youth unemployment count since June 2016. The youth unemployment figure of 0.2% is lower than both the regional and national figures of 1.2% and 0.9% respectively.
18. On 16 March 2017, the Executive approved the use of the One Planet Council framework, which set out the Council's ambition to put social, economic and environmental sustainability and resilience at the heart of its decision-making processes. Executive also agreed to the use of the 'Better Decision Making' tool which will embed the One Planet principles into the decision-making processes across the Council.
19. The Council and First York have extended their partnership delivering York's Park & Ride service with a new seven year contract commencing in early 2018. The new agreement will see fully electric buses operating on three of the six routes. A new electric double decker bus will be trialled to support the council in its aim to improve air quality by reducing emissions and encouraging car users to switch to bus travel.

20. The City of York's Sightseeing Bus fleet, operated by Transdev, is currently being converted from diesel to electric operation. Two of the buses will be in operation from the end of July with all six set to be converted this year.

Implications

21. There are no financial, human resources, equalities, legal, crime & disorder, information technology, property or other implications associated with this report.

Risk Management

22. The report provides Members with updates on finance and service performance and therefore there are no significant risks in the content of the report.

Recommendations

23. As this report is for information only, there are no recommendations.

Reason: To update the scrutiny committee of the latest finance and performance position.

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Report Approved 21st Sept 2017

Annex

Annex 1 – Scrutiny Performance Scorecard

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Economy & Place 2017/2018

No of Indicators = 22 | Direction of Travel (DoT) shows the trend of how an indicator is performing against its Polarity over time.

Produced by the Strategic Business Intelligence Hub September 2017



			Previous Years			2017/2018							
		Collection Frequency	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Target	Polarity	DOT	
Climate	OPC00	One Planet Council - All Resources - Total Cost (£)	Annual	£5,496,059	NC	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶	
Planning and Building Control	CES08	Number of Home Completions (performance against Local Plan)	Quarterly	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	
	CES13	New Homes Built on Previously Developed Land (%) - (YTD)	Quarterly	70.17%	86.25%	82.33%	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	
	CES905	% of major applications determined within 13 Weeks (NPI157a)	Quarterly	81.00%	81.00%	87.00%	80.00%	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral
		Benchmark - National Data	Quarterly	77.00%	81.00%	87.00%	87.00%	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Quarterly	81.00%	81.00%	92.00%	NC	-	-	-	-		
	CES910	% of minor applications determined within 8 Weeks (NPI157b)	Quarterly	76.00%	73.00%	81.00%	84.34%	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral
		Benchmark - National Data	Quarterly	70.00%	75.00%	85.00%	85.00%	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Quarterly	74.00%	77.00%	86.00%	NC	-	-	-	-		
	CES911	% of other applications determined within 8 Weeks (NPI157c)	Quarterly	90.00%	81.00%	91.00%	89.44%	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral
		Benchmark - National Data	Quarterly	82.00%	84.00%	90.00%	91.00%	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Quarterly	86.00%	88.00%	93.00%	NC	-	-	-	-		
	CJGE121a	Average House Price	Monthly	£200,445	£210,085	£241,042	-	-	-	-	-	Neutral	◀▶
		Benchmark - National Data	Monthly	£178,007	£189,901	£227,449	-	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Monthly	£120,914	£121,841	£149,606	-	-	-	-	-		
Regional Rank (Rank out of 15)		Monthly	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-			
HM01	Gross Additional Homes Provided - (YTD)	Quarterly	523	1,171	996	-	-	-	-	-	Up is	◀▶	
HM03	Net Additional Homes Provided - (YTD)	Quarterly	507	1,121	977	-	-	-	-	-	Up is	◀▶	
HM07	Net Housing Consents - (YTD)	Quarterly	1,264	680	451	-	-	-	-	-	Up is	▼	
Projects - Large	CORP10L	Large Project - Local Plan	Quarterly	-	Amber	Amber	Amber	-	-	-	-	Neutral	◀▶
		Large Project - York Central	Quarterly	-	Amber	Amber	Amber	-	-	-	-	Neutral	◀▶
		Large Project - Castle Gateway	Quarterly	-	Amber	Amber	Amber	-	-	-	-	Neutral	◀▶
		Large Project - Guildhall	Quarterly	-	Green	Green	Green	-	-	-	-	Neutral	◀▶
		Large Project - Outer Ring Road (A1237)	Quarterly	-	N/A	Amber	Amber	-	-	-	-	Neutral	◀▶
		Large Project - York Central Access	Quarterly	-	N/A	(See York	-	-	-	-	-	Neutral	◀▶
		Large Project - Allerton Park (NYCC Managed)	Quarterly	-	-	Green	Green	-	-	-	-	Neutral	◀▶
PP01	% of businesses reporting that contact with officers was helpful	Annual	97.28%	98.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	



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			2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Target	Polarity	DOT	
Public Protection	PP02	% of businesses reporting that they were treated fairly	Annual	98.56%	95.50%	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	
	PP03	% of businesses reporting that the information provided was useful	Annual	98.14%	98.10%	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	
	PP04	% of customers who were satisfied with the action taken to resolve their complaint	Quarterly	95.57%	79.10%	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	
	PP06	% of food premises that are classified as broadly compliant	Quarterly	93.00%	94.00%	94.25%	95.00%	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	
	PP07	% of businesses that were compliant with legislation concerning the illegal use and sale of alcohol and tobacco	Annual	100.00%	63.20%	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	▼ Red	
Resident and Corporate Surveys	TAP01	% of panel satisfied with their local area as a place to live	Quarterly	NC	NC	89.84%	91.23%	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	▲ Green
		Benchmark - Community Life Survey	Annual	86.00%	86.00%	78.03%	-	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - LG Inform	Annual	81.00%	82.60%	80.00%	-	-	-	-	-		
	TAP30	% of panel dissatisfied with their local area as a place to live	Quarterly	NC	NC	6.18%	6.80%	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral
		% of panel who think that the council and partners are doing well at improving green spaces	Quarterly	NC	NC	42.80%	48.42%	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	▲ Green
	TAP32	% of panel who think that the council and partners are not doing well at improving green spaces	Quarterly	NC	NC	40.77%	36.04%	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	▼ Green
		% of panel who think that the council and partners are doing well at improving the quality of streets/public spaces	Quarterly	NC	NC	47.40%	43.05%	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	▼ Red
	TAP32	% of panel who think that the council and partners are not doing well at improving the quality of streets/public spaces	Quarterly	NC	NC	44.00%	48.65%	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	▲ Red
Waste	CES36	Household waste recycled / composted - (YTD)	Quarterly	42.50%	42.80%	44.00%	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral
		Benchmark - National Data	Annual	43.70%	43.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Annual	43.60%	42.20%	-	-	-	-	-	-		
		Regional Rank (Rank out of 15)	Annual	7	8	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	CES48	Missed bins per 100,000 collections - (YTD) (COLI3)	Monthly	60.16	45.75	54.64	64.19	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	▲ Red

Allerton Waste Recovery Park update Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee October 2017



Background

CYC entered into a Joint Waste Management Agreement (JWMA) with NYCC (December 2010)

This supported NYCC in entering into a contract with AmeyCespa (identified as preferred bidder in 2009) for the provision of a long term Waste management service.

The objective was to deliver a long term sustainable alternative to landfill for the treatment of residual waste

AmeyCespa were required to secure planning (February 2013) for Waste recovery facility (AWRP) at Allerton quarry before confirming final cost to the council (June 2014).

The final cost was presented in 2014 and NYCC agreed to financial close (September 2014) and CYC agreed to enter into the JWMA at the same time.

The contract enables CYC and NYCC to achieve in excess of 50% recycling and composting rate and a minimum of 95% of residual waste diverted from landfill



Background

Value is recovered from residual waste through

- Additional recycling (target 5%)
- And production of electricity (to power approx. 40,000 homes)
- Recovery of heat (long term objective)

Greenhouse gas benefits (compared to landfill) are equivalent to removing 12,000 cars from the Highway

The Contract effectively fixes much of the council's long term waste management price risk from inflation and increases in landfill tax with long term average price to the Councils for treatment estimated to be below current costs of disposal.

Over £200m to the York and North Yorkshire economy over the lifetime of the contract (new jobs in construction and operation)

The proportion of waste in York and North Yorkshire at commercial close was approximately at a ratio of 79:21. It is assumed that all payments and benefits will be shared consistent with this ratio.



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Technology

AWRP treats waste through a series of processes including mechanical separation of recyclable materials (known as mechanical treatment or MT), anaerobic digestion (AD) and thermal treatment through incineration and generation of electricity (known as Energy from Waste or EfW).

Tipping hall

The waste is delivered to AWRP into the tipping hall where it is tipped into bunkers. These are for Mechanical treatment or direct to EfW.

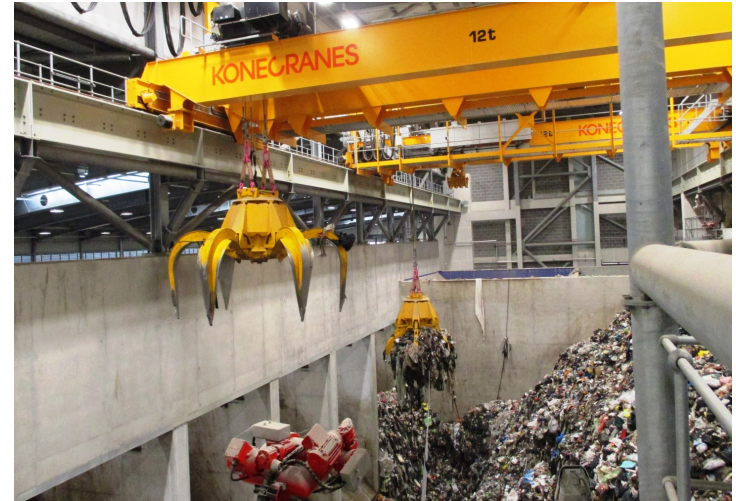


Technology

Cranes then lift the waste from the bunkers to start the Mechanical Treatment process.

Mechanical Treatment

The Mechanical Treatment plant (MT) separates metals, plastics and paper and is capable of sorting up to 408,000 tonnes per annum (tpa), although the planning consent limits the throughput of AWRP to 320,000 tpa. The MT plant also separates approximately 40,000 tpa of organic waste for treatment through the AD plant.



Technology

Anaerobic Digestion

The Anaerobic Digestion (AD) plant uses microbes to break down the organic waste in the absence of air to produce a gas and compost like output known as digestate.

Energy from Waste (EfW)

Remaining waste will be burnt in the Energy from Waste (EfW) incinerator. The heat from the EfW is used to produce steam and drive a turbine which produces electricity for export to the national grid. The capacity of the EfW is approximately 320,000 tpa.



Transferring York's waste

Transfer station

In order to manage the transfer of waste from York and the other collection authorities to AWRP, a strategy around transfer stations has been developed.

This was to ensure that waste was delivered to AWRP in the most efficient way possible.

Currently CYC use the site at Harewood Whin to landfill residual waste. It was agreed that the waste transfer station to service, principally, City of York Council and Selby District council would be located at Harewood Whin

The Harewood Whin waste transfer station, that is managed by YorWaste, opened in the summer (2017) ready for use during the commissioning period.



Construction and commissioning

Construction

Construction is now nearing completion and is on schedule to complete on time for full service commencement at the beginning of February 2018.

Commissioning

The commissioning period started in July 2017. This tests the full operation of the facility over a 6 month period.

A requirement of this is that over the course of the 6 months the volume of waste is built up to the volumes that will be delivered at full service commencement.

During this period there will be interruptions in service as systems are brought on and offline and any equipment failure is resolved.



Service commencement

Providing the commissioning period is successful, full service will commence at ARWP at the beginning of February 2018.



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Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee
Report of the Director of Economy & Place

4 October 2017

CYC Flood Defences Action Plan – Biannual Update

Summary

1. This report provides the Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee with an update on the ongoing work of the Environment Agency to renew existing and provide new flood defences across the city. Members are asked to note the progress and provide feedback.

Background

2. The flooding in late December 2015 followed an intense period of rainfall across November and December due to the impacts of Storms Desmond and Eva. Record river levels were observed in many river catchments across the north of England. More than 4,000 homes and 2,000 businesses flooded across Yorkshire, with 453 properties and 174 businesses flooded in York.
3. Funding has been allocated to the Environment Agency (EA) following the floods of 2015, to renew existing and provide new flood defences across the city - £17m has been allocated to the Foss Barrier improvements and £45m to the wider flood defences across the city.
4. Approvals have been granted by the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (Defra) for the high level business case, and the contract has been awarded to consultants to develop the detailed business case and consequent detailed design of packages of works.
5. The high level options in the Five Year Flood Plan are being reviewed and preferred options will begin to be developed over the next few months. A list of potential measures and the programme of likely works will be brought before the Executive Member at the 4 December 2017 Decision Session and brought before the Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee at the next update session.

6. An update on progress has been supplied by the Environment Agency; this can be seen in Annex 1.

Progress Update

7. Following the development and publication of the York Five Year Plan (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/york-5-year-flood-plan>) the EA have developed the Defra Strategic Outline Business Case and financial approvals have been sought and obtained from Defra. This is a significant hurdle for any major project.
8. The EA have appointed Capita/AECOM following a procurement process, the consultants will develop the detailed business case and design works for schemes within the 5 Year Flood Plan.
9. The high level options identified for each community in the York Five Year Flood Plan have been considered further and workshops have been held during the summer with the Environment Agency to review a range of metrics to refine the high level options to a long list of feasible measures within each flood risk area. Further modelling and analysis of the long list of options is currently being carried out to identify the preferred options in each location.
10. A list of feasible options will be developed following this process and a programme of further appraisal, design and build works will be assigned to each, this will be reviewed in the Executive Member for the Environment Decision Sessions and future meetings of the Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee.
11. Site Investigations along the rivers Ouse and Foss began in the summer and will last for around 3 months; these will provide detailed information on ground and site conditions and any constraints and inform the detailed design work. The works will not cause significant disturbance, but in a small number of situations there will be a need to access private land, early engagement with landowners will be carried out to minimise concerns.
12. A drop in centre is being developed on North Street at the former Bike Hub site, this will provide a place where all partners working on the schemes can co-locate and work together and we can invite residents and businesses in to discuss the schemes in more detail.

13. The governance of the York 5 Year Flood Plan calls for formal updates to the Executive Member for the Environment Decision Session in addition to bi-annual presentations at City of York scrutiny; quarterly updates will be brought to the Executive Member and biannual updates to the Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee.
14. The York Flood Inquiry was approved by the Executive on the 9th February 2017, the 91 recommendations have been considered by CYC and the Environment Agency in a range of meetings and joint work is planned to deliver any outstanding areas of work that are contained in the recommendations. Additional resources have been committed to develop and deliver the work identified in the inquiry, a Community Resilience Officer role is being developed and the work of the Flood Risk Manager and Emergency Planning Manger has been reinforced as a result of the paper taken to the 29th June 2017 Executive meeting <http://modgov.york.gov.uk/documents/s115503/Flooding%20Community%20Resilience.pdf>

Consultation

15. Public consultation on the York Five Year Plan was held in late November 2016 and quarterly newsletters have been developed by the EA to further inform on progress. The Communities & Environment Policy & Scrutiny Committee received a paper detailing progress at their 15th March 2017 meeting and regular formal updates will be provided to the Executive Member for Environment and the newly formed Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee as detailed in paragraph 13 of this report.
16. Detailed public consultation events will be held in each community following the production of the long list of options and further refinement of the preferred options as detailed in paragraphs 9 and 10, a programme of communication events will be produced alongside this work.

Options

17. The principal options open to members are to comment on and review the work undertaken to date and the future work identified to date and the representations made by the Environment Agency.

Analysis

18. Ongoing liaison will continue between the Executive Member for Environment and the CYC Flood Risk and Asset Manager, future briefings to the Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee will be made to ensure key outputs and decisions are supported by CYC and to provide formal opportunities for members and the public to consult. Further recommendations will be made for agreement at these sessions.

Council Plan

19. Improved provision of flood defences supports a prosperous city for all through safer communities for residents, businesses and visitors, a wide range of consultation events will ensure this is in line with the needs and expectations of local communities.

Recommendations

20. Members are asked to note the update report and the evidence presented by the Environment Agency in the session, and to provide feedback on the report content and progress to date.

Implications

21. **Financial** – Funding is allocated directly to the EA, the additional funding of £45M is available to be directed towards key flood risk projects in the city in the short term. The extent of required works may require wider funding and Defra funding bids will be developed. There are likely to be contribution requirements as part of this wider work. This will be developed further and consulted upon later in 2018.
22. **Property** – The Site Investigation programme will include sites under CYC ownership and/or control, consultation will be carried out with Estates teams and all relevant agreements will be put in place.
23. Human Resources (HR) – No implications
One Planet Council/Equalities – No implications
Legal – No implications
Crime and Disorder – No implications
Information Technology (IT) – No implications

Risk Management

24. No known risks are identified at this time, detailed risk management work will be developed as the business case and detailed design works commence.

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Wards Affected: List wards or tick box to indicate all **All**

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Background Papers: None

Annexes:

Annex 1 - E&P Scrutiny Flood Defences Action Plan Oct17

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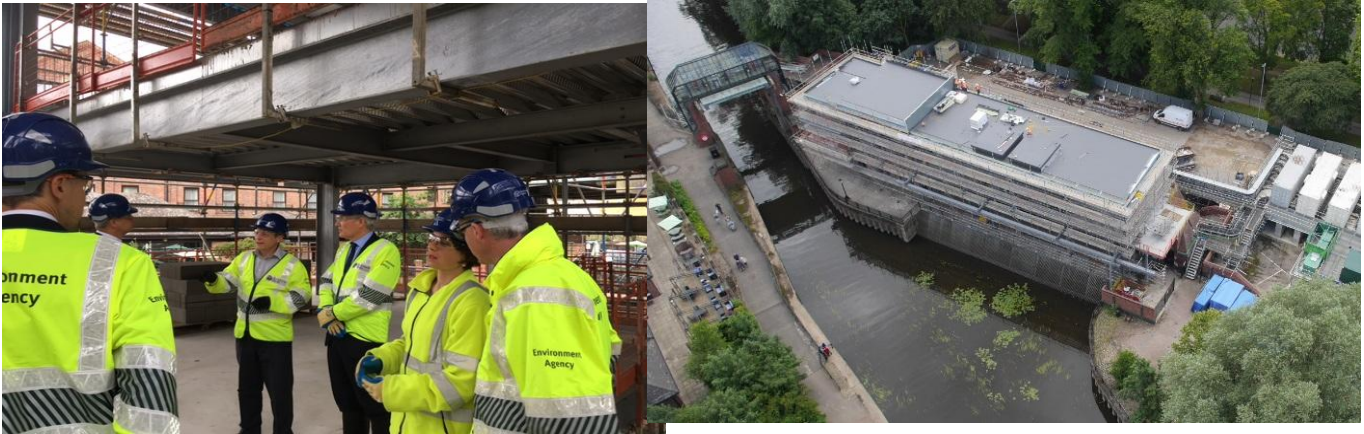
Long-Term Plan

Alongside the 5 Year Plan, which focuses on hard defences across the city itself, we are also producing a Long Term Plan which looks at what can be done to reduce flooding in York by addressing issues in the whole catchment. The first stage of this process was to undertake a detailed modelling study of the Foss catchment, to investigate where interventions could have maximum benefit, and how much impact this could have to flood risk in York. We have produced a short summary of this work which is due to be released to the public w/c 14 August. There is a detailed technical plan which underpins this, which we are already sharing with partners.

The Long Term Plan is essentially a framework for identifying and delivering improvements across the whole catchment. It is not a prescriptive list of schemes to take forward. We will be working in partnership with a range of organisations to help deliver the objectives of the plan, and will be reporting back regularly on progress.

Foss Barrier Progress

Progress at the Foss Barrier is on schedule. The steel frame is complete and the new roof is almost finished. The focus in the coming weeks will be on constructing the internal walls to allow us to begin fitting out the building. We will be operating from the new building this winter.



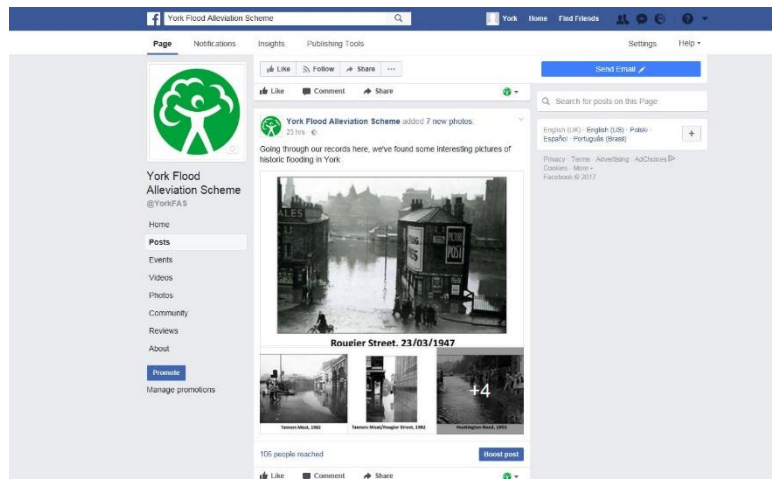
Left: Andrew Jones MP at the Foss Barrier. Right: New roof nearing completion

On 21 July Andrew Jones MP, the Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury, visited the Foss Barrier. The £17 million of investment in the project came directly from the Treasury so the Minister was keen to see how we were progressing. The Minister was impressed by the scale of the new building, and the speed at which we are progressing.

Engagement

As the scheme progresses, we want to take every opportunity to engage with the public and keep residents informed about our work, and how they can get involved. In addition to our regular newsletters, we've just set up a Facebook page to provide more regular updates. Please 'like' us on Facebook by searching @YorkFAS to receive updates.

In addition to our public engagement, we are setting up an advisory group of key partner organisations to influence the development of schemes coming forward. This will enable us to realise opportunities to deliver wider community benefits through our schemes, and maximise the value of our work for York.



Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee - Workplan 2017-18

28 June 2017	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introductory Presentation on Customer Interface, Operational Practice & Outcomes, and Commercial Estate 2. Implementation update – Grass Verges Scrutiny review 3. Draft Workplan 2017/18
2 August 2017	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attendance of Deputy Leader (Economic Dev), Exec Mbr for Transport & Planning & Exec Mbr for Environment - Priorities & Challenges for 2017/18 (all confirmed) 2. Year End Finance & Performance Monitoring Report (Patrick Looker) 3. Evaluation of Impact on Air Quality of New Developments (Mike Southcombe) 4. Briefing on Building Control & Fire Risks (John Fowler & Jonathan Carr) 5. Workplan 2017/18
4 October 2017	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Finance & Performance Monitor 1(Patrick Looker) 2. Progress Update on Allerton Park Waste Recovery Treatment Centre (Dave Atkinson) 3. CYC Flood Defences Action Plan – Biannual Update (Steve Wragg & Environment Agency) 4. Presentation on Operation of CYC’s Commercial Portfolio (Tracey Carter) 5. Workplan 2017/18
28 Nov 2017	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Make It York Bi-annual Update 2. Overview of Emergency Planning (James Gilchrist) 3. Update on Park & Ride Contract (James Gilchrist) 4. Mapping of Volunteers Integrated into Service Delivery–Risk Assessment & Analysis (MS/JG) 5. Overview of Current Shared Resources in York & Across the Region & Future Opportunities (Mike Slater) 6. Workplan 2017/18
17 Jan 2018	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Finance & Performance Monitor 2 2. Waste Update on Mixed Recycling & Waste Collection, including tangible timelines (JG) 3. CYC Flood Defences Action Plan – Biannual Update 4. Bi-annual Update on Ongoing Major Projects (Tracey Carter) 5. Implementation Update – Arts & Culture Scrutiny Review 6. Workplan 2017/18

7 March 2018	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Finance & Performance Monitor 32. Update Report from the Managing Director of BID3. Bi-annual Update on Ongoing Major Projects (Tracey Carter)4. Workplan 2017/18
21 May 2018	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Make it York Annual Report2. One Planet York – Implementation Review (Mike Slater)