Meeting Decision Session - Executive Member for Economic

Development and Community Engagement

Date 5 February 2019

Present Councillor Aspden

18. Declarations of Interest

The Executive Member was asked to declare any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, or any prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests that he might have in respect of the business on the agenda. None were declared.

19. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the last Decision Session held on 4 December 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Executive Member.

20. Public Participation

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

21. 4Community Growth York

The Executive Member considered a report which provided an update on the delivery of the two year local area-based financial inclusion project, 4CommunityGrowthYork (4CGY) and presents a proposal to extend the delivery of the project for a further year.

The Area-Based Financial Inclusion Project Manager and Head of Communities and Equalities were in attendance to present the report. In response to a question from the Executive Member concerning Ward Committee spend, the Head of Communities and Equalities explained that there was a requirement to develop robust data collection tools to allow for the use of the social value engine in the final project evaluation. Thanks were recorded to those involved in the project.

Resolved: That;

- The Mid Term Status report for the project and further progress made by the project be noted.
- ii. The proposed extension of the project be approved.

Reason: To ensure the sustainability of the financial inclusion measures being delivered in community locations

22. Town Crier

The Executive Member considered a report that outlined proposals to attract a volunteer to undertake the role of Town Crier for the City of York, as a result of a combined initiative involving Make it York, York BID and the Sheriff of the City of York. The Democratic and Civic Services Manager outlined the proposals to the Executive Member.

Resolved: That;

- i. the role of the Town Crier on behalf of City of York Council (CYC) be acknowledged;
- ii. the process for attracting a volunteer to undertake the role be approved.

Reason: In order that the individual recruited is eligible to join both the Ancient & Honourable Guild of Town Criers and Loyal Company of Town Criers, therefore attracting public liability insurance.

Cllr K Aspden, Executive Member [The meeting started at 2.00 pm and finished at 2.10 pm].