DECISION SESSION - EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR ECONOMY AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

TUESDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2021

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Decision Session – Executive Member for Economy and Strategic Planning held on Tuesday, 23 November 2021. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than 4.00pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Joseph Kennally (01904) 551573.

4. Review of Formal Enforcement Action and Enforcement Policy

Resolved:

- That the contents of the report and action taken be noted, and that officers are asked to undertake a full review of the Council's enforcement policy in the coming year.
- ii. That the additional workload in some areas compared to previous years be noted.
- iii. That officers be thanked for the work that they have done during a difficult time during the pandemic and lockdowns where guidance was rapidly changing, whilst implementing enforcement and giving advice to businesses and residents.
- iv. That the public and all councillors be consulted on policies to update the Council's enforcement policy and reporting back of steps taken to enforce as well as promoting activities which will encourage positive behaviour and reduce harm before enforcement is required.
- v. That work be undertaken with North Yorkshire Police and Safer York Partnership to develop a holistic approach, involving the Communities Team, and Ward Teams, Business Improvement District, Retail

Forum, traders' associations, landlord associations, parish councils and town council, residents associations, schools and other bodies to ensure a city wide approach to show the collective work of statutory officers and partners to tackle enforcement issues, with clear performance reporting showing the distinct work of the Council's enforcement teams.

- vi. That a communications plan be developed which reminds residents of the work that is done by the team, and how to contact them to request help, or provide information which can assist with enforcement.
- vii. That a report on the outcome of mobile CCTV camera use to tackle fly tipping be brought to a future decision session.
- viii. That an investigation of enforcement issues on construction sites be undertaken.

Reason: To ensure enforcement activity undertaken in 2020-21 has been reviewed in accordance with the Council's enforcement policy and approve a review of the policy, with appropriate consultation with the public and businesses, in 2022.

5. Review of City of York Council's One Year Business Support Strategy

Resolved:

- i. That the contents of the report be noted.
- ii. That officers be thanked for their work during the unprecedented circumstances of the Covid-19 pandemic.
- iii. That a detailed response on the potential of creating green jobs through the support of the city's climate ambitions be requested.

Reason: To support the Council's delivery of business support activity in York.