

## **Notice of Decisions taken at the Executive meeting held on Tuesday, 12 May 2026**

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Executive meeting held on Tuesday, 12 May 2026. 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 any decisions made on items\*, notice must be given to Democratic Services no later than 4.00pm on Tuesday, 19 May 2026.

\*With the exception of matters that have been the subject of a previous call-in, require Full Council approval or are urgent, which are not subject to the call-in provisions. Any called-in items will be considered by the Corporate Scrutiny Committee.

If you have any queries about matters referred to in this decision sheet then please contact Guy Close, Democratic Services Manager by e-mailing [guy.close@york.gov.uk](mailto:guy.close@york.gov.uk)

### **6. York Christmas Market Operating Hours and Economic Impact**

#### **Resolved (unanimously):**

That Executive

i) Approves on a trial basis for 2026, to progress a 6-day Christmas Market, with 10.30am to 7pm market operation on the operational days, and on the basis of the evidence presented, to select Tuesday as the rest day, and as part of this, on the rest day, to restrict Blue Badge access to the Goodramgate access loop only, with additional temporary Hostile Vehicle Measures to protect Church Street, Low Petergate and King's Square from vehicles;

ii) Receives a further report early in 2027 containing detailed analysis of the impacts and outcome of this trial;

iii) Establishes an interface group between the Council and other necessary parties to ensure effective joint planning, risk assessment and mitigation, such group to include the Council's Chief Executive, Director of Governance, Director of City Development and other officers as appropriate in

order that such group will undertake an ongoing process of dynamic risk assessment to prepare for, and assess, any serious risks which may emerge, and which could impact on the proposed arrangements for any of the days; and

iv) That the additional costs of temporary HVM set out at i) above be met from existing budgets.

**Reason:** To allow the trialling of an approach to providing improvements for residents, visitors and disabled people in accessing the City Centre through reduced operating hours, and in a way which is deliverable operationally, considers the safety and security of the city centre area, and minimises economic impacts to the city.