



## Notice of meeting of

### Shadow Executive

**To:** Councillors Scott (Chair), Fraser, Gunnell, Horton, King, Looker, Merrett, Potter and Simpson-Laing

**Date:** Wednesday, 18 July 2007

**Time:** 3.00 pm

**Venue:** The Guildhall

### AGENDA

#### 1. **Declarations of Interest**

At this point, Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

#### 2. **Minutes** (Pages 1 - 2)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Shadow Executive meeting held on 4 July 2007.

#### 3. **Public Participation**

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Shadow Executive's remit can do so. The deadline for registering is Tuesday 17 July 2007, at 5.00 pm.

#### 4. **Executive Meeting on 24 July - Calling-in**

To consider the items on the agenda for the Executive meeting to be held on 24 July 2007, and to take a decision on whether to call-in any of these items.

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**5. Any Other Matters which the Chair decides are urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.**

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- Business of the meeting
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### **Holding the Executive to Account**

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### **Scrutiny Committees**

The purpose of all scrutiny and ad-hoc scrutiny committees appointed by the Council is to:

- Monitor the performance and effectiveness of services;
- Review existing policies and assist in the development of new ones, as necessary; and
- Monitor best value continuous service improvement plans

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MEETING	SHADOW EXECUTIVE
DATE	4 JULY 2007
PRESENT	COUNCILLORS SCOTT (CHAIR), FRASER, GUNNELL, HORTON, KING, LOOKER, MERRETT, POTTER AND SIMPSON-LAING

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**21. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in the business on the agenda.

None were declared.

**22. MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the last meeting held on 20 June 2007 be approved and signed as a correct record.

**23. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

**24. EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN**

The Shadow Executive made the following comments on the Forward Plan at page 13 of the papers circulated for the Executive meeting to be held on 10 July 2007:

*The Shadow Executive*

- *noted the large amount of business on the Executive Forward Plan for 24 July and the lack of leadership about how the Executive business was being managed*
- *requested clarification about where the "Shaping the IT Strategy 2007/2012" report was going to be considered*
- *agreed to provisionally request officers for the following items on the Executive Forward Plan:*

*Executive on 24 July*

*Finance Strategy 2008/09 to 2010/11*

*Local Public Service Agreements (LPSA2)*

*Review Report – CCTV*

*Review Report – Education and Leisure*

*Review Report on Improving Consultation & Communication*

**25. REPORT OF FUTURE YORK GROUP - INITIAL RESPONSE**

The Shadow Executive considered a report which was listed as item 5 on the agenda for the Executive meeting on 10 July 2007, at page 21. The report sought to brief the Executive on the final report of the Future York Group and to consider an initial response from the City of York Council to its main findings.

Having discussed the issues set out in the report, the following comments were agreed:

*The Shadow Executive:*

- *agreed that there was a need to take a balanced approach to the Future York report.*
- *agreed that there was a need to engage in a dialogue with the whole of the city, including residents and all social partners. The Council should take the opportunities afforded by such mechanisms as the reviews of the Community and Corporate Strategies, and make use of the Neighbour Action Planning Process.*
- *welcomed that the LDF could be brought forward more quickly but that should not be at the expense of consultation or the quality of the LDF.*
- *agreed that consultation should be proactive and have as wide a penetration as possible and suggest the use of the new Council's newsletter to assist in consultation strategies.*
- *agreed that it was important that all parts of the city should benefit from the potential highlighted in the Future York report and would take this opportunity to further highlight the need for regeneration of the peripheral streets of the city, including, but not limited to, Micklegate, Goodramgate and Fossgate, as detailed in Labour's manifesto.*
- *agreed that options need to be provided in relation to job skills, housing and transport as part of the balanced approach to the report.*

RESOLVED: (i) That the Executive be asked to take the above comments into account when considering this item.

(ii) That the item not be called in.

D Scott, Chair

[The meeting started at 3.03 pm and finished at 3.15 pm].