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MEETING	SHADOW EXECUTIVE
DATE	23 JANUARY 2008
PRESENT	COUNCILLORS SCOTT (CHAIR), FRASER, GUNNELL, HORTON, KING, LOOKER, POTTER AND SIMPSON-LAING
APOLOGIES	COUNCILLOR MERRETT

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**140. 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.

Councillor Fraser declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in Executive item 7 (Establishing an Integrated Youth Services for York) as a member of the retired section of Unison.

Councillor Potter declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in Executive item 8 (Age Friendly Cities) as Older People's Champion.

**141. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following:

Annex B to Executive Item 7 (Establishing an Integrated Youth Service for York) (minute 146 refers) on the grounds that it contained information which was likely to reveal the identity of an individual and information relating to negotiations in connection with a labour relations matter arising between the authority and its employees. This information was classed as exempt under paragraphs 2 and 4 respectively of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

**142. MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the last meeting held on 9 January 2008 be approved and signed as a correct record.

#### **143. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

#### **144. EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN**

The Shadow Executive made the following comments on the Forward Plan at page 17 of the papers circulated for the Executive meeting to be held on 29 January 2008:

*The Shadow Executive:*

- *agreed to provisionally request officers for the following items on the Executive Forward Plan:*

*Executive on 12 February*

- *Revenue Budget 2007/08 to 2009/10*
- *Capital Budget 2007/08 to 2009/10*

*Executive on 26 February*

- *CPA Use of Resources 2007*
- *Review Report – Neighbourhood Management*
- *Future of City Archives Services*
- *Review of Sub-National Economic Development and Future Working Within the Leeds City Region*
- *Businesses in City Centre Peripheral Streets*

#### **145. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT**

The Shadow Executive considered a report which was listed as item 6 on the agenda for the Executive meeting on 29 January 2008, at page 21. The report introduced the Annual Governance Statement (AGS), which replaced the Statement of Internal Control (SIC), advised the Executive of the changes resulting from this new statutory requirement and sought approval for a proposed process and timetable for completion of the 2007/08 AGS.

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

*The Shadow Executive:*

- *Note 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.

#### **146. ESTABLISHING AN INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICE FOR YORK**

The Shadow Executive considered a report which was listed as item 7 on the agenda for the Executive meeting on 29 January 2008, at page 41. The report summarised the progress towards establishing an integrated service for young people in York, following the decision in principle at the Executive meeting on 27 February 2007 to adopt a directly-managed model when responsibility for the Connexions service transfers to Local Authorities in April 2008.

Having discussed the issues set out in the report and questioned officers present at the meeting, the following comments were agreed:

*The Shadow Executive:*

- *Support the recommendations.*
- *Welcome the return of Connexions to local authority control, which will provide a better opportunity for the guidance service.*
- *Express the view that this is a useful start which can prompt a reform of youth services offered to young people in the city, and hope that when such opportunities are taken they result in better youth and guidance services in the centre, hubs and through outreach work.*
- *Highlight the need for consultation with all stakeholders including young people and local councillors.*
- *Welcome the acknowledgement of government funding contained within paragraph 17 of 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.

#### **147. AGE FRIENDLY CITIES**

The Shadow Executive considered a report which was listed as item 8 on the agenda for the Executive meeting on 29 January 2008, at page 63. The report asked the Executive to consider the implications of a notice of motion, received from Councillor Potter on behalf of the Older People's Assembly, prior to its referral to full Council, in accordance with Standing Orders.

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

*The Shadow Executive:*

- *Found this an interesting and useful report.*
- *Support the recommendations.*

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.

#### **148. MINUTES OF WORKING GROUPS**

The Shadow Executive considered a report which was listed as item 9 on the agenda for the Executive meeting on 29 January 2008, at page 71. The report presented the draft minutes of the Local Development Framework (LDF) Working Group held on 18 December 2007 and asked Members to consider the advice given by the Group in its capacity as an advisory body to the Executive.

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

*The Shadow Executive:*

- *Note 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.

Cllr D Scott, Chair

[The meeting started at 3.15 pm and finished at 4.00 pm].