



Notice of meeting of

Shadow Executive

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

Date: Wednesday, 14 January 2009

Time: 5.30 pm

Venue: The Guildhall, York

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. **Exclusion of Press and Public**

To consider excluding the press and public from the meeting during consideration of any exempt information relating to briefings on Executive business, as detailed on the agenda for the Executive meeting to be held on 20 January 2009, under Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to information) (Variation) Order 2006.

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

To approve and sign the minutes of the Shadow Executive meeting held on 26 November 2008.

4. 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 13 January 2009, at 5.00 pm.

5. Briefings on Executive Business

To receive any briefings requested on Executive business for 20 January 2009.

[Please note that the reports relating to these items will be published on the Council's website on Friday 9 January 2009. The website address is www.york.gov.uk Copies of the Executive agenda and reports can also be obtained by telephoning Democracy Support Group on York (01904) 551088.]

6. Briefing Report on Council Tax Discounts for Second Homes and Empty Properties (Pages 3 - 6)

This briefing report responds to the Shadow Executive's query as to whether or not there are any options open to the Council under present legislation for abolishing or altering the Council Tax reduction currently available for second homes and empty properties.

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

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