EXECUTIVE

TUESDAY, 7 JULY 2009

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive held on Tuesday, 7 July 2009. 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 4pm on the second working day after this meeting – that is, Thursday 9 July 2009.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Fiona Young (tel extn 1027).

6. EFFECTIVE ORGANISATION PROGRAMME – EFFICIENCY REVIEW

RESOLVED: (i) That approval be given to commence the year 1 Efficiency projects set out in paragraph 25 of the report.

- (ii) That the proposed Programme governance arrangements set out in Annex 3 be noted.
- (iii) That authority be delegated to the Director of Resources to agreed financial commitments to Northgate Kendrick Ash (on the basis of the risk reward model), and agree allocations from and to the Efficiency Reserve, to enable the delivery of the Efficiency Programme.
- (iv) That authority be delegated to the Executive Board to manage the programme of efficiency projects and to develop further detailed proposals for years 2 and 3.
- (v) That progress on the Efficiency Programme be reported at least quarterly to the Executive, and to an all-party meeting of Group Leaders.

REASON:

To enable the Council to commence work on delivery of the strategic objective to be an Effective Organisation, to deliver service improvements and create efficiency savings of £15m over the next three years.

7. CUSTOMER STRATEGY

RECOMMENDED: That the Customer Strategy and Delivery Plan be approved.

REASON: To ensure that customer service excellence is delivered in York, in line with the Council's strategy

and vision.

8. THE ANNUAL RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT 2009

- RESOLVED: (i) That the contents of the report, and progress to date, be noted.
 - (ii) That the economic downturn risks set out in Annex A, and the intended action to manage, them, be noted.
 - (iii) That the revised and refreshed risk management policy and strategy, set out in Annexes B and C respectively, be approved.

REASON: To raise awareness of risk management issues and to ensure the implementation of an approved framework for the delivery of effective risk management at the Council.

9. STREET LEVEL SERVICES AND AREA BASED WORKING

- RESOLVED: (i) That the principle of area based working, and the street level services proposed in the report, be supported.
 - (ii) That a further report be received, outlining the details of areas and options for a single brand.

REASON: In order to achieve further improvements in street level services, based upon previous achievements, the original York Pride vision and the 'More for York' proposals.

10. CASTLE PICCADILLY REGENERATION PROJECT

RESOLVED: (i) That the successful outcome of the procurement process, with the result that LaSalle UK Venture Property are the preferred concessionaire for the Castle Piccadilly Regeneration Project, be noted.

REASON: So that the requirements of the procurement process are satisfied.

(ii) That the recommended course of action for the next stage of the project, as detailed in paragraphs 8 to 11 of the report, be approved.

REASON: So that negotiations can take place with the preferred concessionaire and the development partner to ensure that this project, which is vital for the long term economic well being of the City, can be quickly progressed.