



**Notice of meeting of
Economic & City Development Overview & Scrutiny Committee**

To: Councillors Scott (Chair), Hudson (Vice-Chair),
Alexander, D'Agorne, Holvey, Hyman, Kirk and Potter

Date: Tuesday, 28 September 2010

Time: 5.30 pm

Venue: The Guildhall, York

AGENDA

- 1. Declarations of Interest** (Pages 3 - 4)
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 5 - 10)
To approve and sign the minutes of the last meeting of the Economic & City Development Overview & Scrutiny Committee held on 13 July 2010.
- 3. Public Participation**
It is at this point in the meeting that members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Committee's remit can do so. Anyone who wishes to register or requires further information is requested to contact the Democracy Officer on the contact details listed at the foot of this agenda. The deadline for registering is:

Monday 27 September at 5.00 pm.

- 4. Attendance of the Leader of the Council** (Pages 11 - 12)
The Leader of the Council will be in attendance to report on his forthcoming priorities and challenges.
- 5. First Quarter Monitoring Report 2010/11** (Pages 13 - 20)

This report provides Members with details of the 2010/11 forecast outturn position for both finance and performance in City Strategy and Housing Services.

**6. Implementation of Recommendations (Pages 21 - 34)
Arising from Previous Scrutiny Reviews**

This report provides Members with update information on the implementation of recommendations made as a result of previously completed scrutiny reviews on Guidance for Sustainable Development and Planning Enforcement.

7. Report on the Future of Yorkshire Forward (Pages 35 - 48)

This report appraises the Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the likely future of Regional Development Agencies and proposals involving the City of York to establish Local Enterprise Partnerships.

8. Workplan and Forward Plan Extracts (Pages 49 - 70)

Members are asked to review the Committee's Work Plan for 2010/11. Extracts from the Forward Plan are included for Members' information.

9. Urgent Business

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972

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MEETING OF ECONOMIC AND CITY DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Agenda item 1: Declarations of interest

The following Members declared standing personal interests.

Councillor Holvey- Economic Policy Advisor for Leeds City Council

Councillor D'Agorne- Employee of York College

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City of York Council

Committee Minutes

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| MEETING | ECONOMIC & CITY DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE |
| DATE | 13 JULY 2010 |
| PRESENT | COUNCILLORS SCOTT (CHAIR), HUDSON (VICE-CHAIR), ALEXANDER, D'AGORNE, HOLVEY, HYMAN AND POTTER |
| APOLOGIES | COUNCILLOR KIRK |
| IN ATTENDANCE | COUNCILLOR WATT |

11. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal or prejudicial interests, other than the standing declarations, that they might have in the business on the agenda.

None were declared.

12. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Economic and City Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 17 May 2010 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

13. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

14. REPORT - WORK PLAN FOR THE ECONOMIC & CITY DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2010/2011 AND FORWARD PLAN EXTRACTS

Members considered the Committee's work plan for 2010/11 together with extracts from the Forward Plan related to the Committee's remit.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the work plan and Forward Plan extracts be noted.
- (ii) That the following items be added to the work plan:¹

- A report on the future of Yorkshire Forward be brought to the Committee's meeting in September.
- An update report on major developments within the city such as; Terry's, Hungate and West Offices.
- An update report on major transport initiatives and issues arising from them.
- An update report on the Broadway Shops Councillor Call for Action(CCfA).
- The final report arising from the Newgate Market scrutiny review.
- An update report on the 'Acceptance of Euros-Gillygate Pilot Scheme'.

REASON:

To assist in the planning of work for this committee.

Action Required

1. Update the Committee's Work Plan

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15. UPDATE REPORT - PROPOSED SCRUTINY TOPIC ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF EUROS BY YORK BUSINESSES

Members received an update report on a proposed scrutiny topic for review on the acceptance of Euros by York Businesses. This was originally submitted by Councillor Alexander.

Members received a presentation from the Director of Visit York that set out the objectives of the Gillygate Pilot Scheme.

In response to questions from Members, the Director confirmed that:

- The pilot scheme had already started in Gillygate and people had been enquiring about it.
- The pilot could continue from six weeks to two months, to allow the scheme's popularity to be assessed.
- Once the results had been collated, the findings would be reported to the Committee.

Members also queried:

- To what extent the scheme would cause confusion amongst visitors, in that only some businesses in the city would accept Euros not all businesses.
- To what extent the scheme would take into account fluctuations in the currency exchange rate in regards to businesses exchanging their Euro takings into Pound Sterling.
- Whether the scheme was more about marketing the sense of acceptance of the Euro as a currency rather than actually using Euros to sell and buy items in the city.

RESOLVED: (i) That the presentation be noted.

(ii) That an update report from Visit York on the outcome of the pilot scheme be received by the Committee at a future meeting.

REASON: In order to address the issues outlined within the topic registration form.

16. 2009/10 FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE OUTTURN REPORT

Members received an information report which provided details of the 2009/10 outturn position on finance and performance in City Strategy and Housing Services.

Members received clarification from the Council's Finance Manager on issues they raised relating to variance in budgets in Planning and the measurement of performance of initiatives.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

REASON: To update the Committee of the final finance and performance position for 2009/10.

17. REPORTS ON TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AT YORK RAILWAY STATION AND YORK NORTH WEST

Members considered a report which presented two reports received at the Executive meeting on 30 March 2010 and invited them to decide whether they wished to take any further action in relation to these. The reports entitled 'Traffic Management at York Railway Station' and 'York Northwest Area Action Plan' were annexed to the cover report, together with copies of the Executive minutes on those items.

Officers at the meeting provided the following additional information in relation to the York Railway Station report:

- A capacity study conducted by East Coast had indicated that there was no business case for them to change the car parking

arrangements at the station. (possibly due to the fact that the operating franchise held by East Coast was due to end in 2012.)

- East Coast were conducting a pilot study looking at similar traffic issues being encountered at Newcastle Central station, one outcome of which could be the removal of the taxis from the portico immediately outside the station. If successful at managing the traffic issues encountered there, this could be rolled out across all stations on the East Coast Mainline.
- In relation to the FTR buses, there were issues about how the buses 'docked' at their islands and the passage of cyclists around these.
- The apparent under-use of the car park at Leeman Road was probably due to the fact that there were no direction signs to this car park, which was owned by a private company and not East Coast.

Some Members raised safety concerns in relation to pedestrians using the cycle lane as a safety zone and to the restrictive movement of the FTR buses meaning that the mirrors on the vehicles would not be able to see cyclists using the lane.

In their update to Members regarding the report on the York Northwest Area Action Plan, Officers answered queries relating to the British Sugar Site. They informed Members of two meetings in the near future that would discuss future plans for the site; an inception meeting on the masterplan for the site with Associated British Foods and a Ward Committee to consult with local residents.

In response to additional queries from Members Officers stated that;

- It was currently a good time to plan for the future of this project as the recession had led to a lull in development, which meant that more planning could take place.
- The York NorthWest site was very large and that it might be better to consider it as several small sites rather than one large site.
- Investigation was currently taking place to identify alternative funding sources for investment in the site.
- Money from the Eco Settlement Plan would be used in the transport plan for the site.

RESOLVED: That the two reports on Traffic Management at York Railway Station and York North West be noted.

REASON: To keep the Committee informed of progress in areas of ongoing work within their remit.

18. PROPOSED SCRUTINY TOPIC IN RELATION TO THE ADOPTION OF NEW ESTATES

Members received a report on a proposed Scrutiny Topic in relation to the Adoption of New Estates. This topic was proposed by Councillor Watt, who was in attendance at the meeting.

Councillor Simpson Laing had also submitted a request for a scrutiny review on a similar topic 'the implementation of planning conditions and the adoption of new estates' in summer 2009. She was unable to attend the meeting, but had previously circulated why she felt that her topic should still go ahead. These comments have been attached as an annex to the published agenda.

Councillor Watt spoke in support of his proposed topic, stating that there was a need for a scrutiny review to look into how to improve the timescale of action being taken to adopt estates by the Council.

Officers from the Council's City Development Team at the meeting stated that the timescale of the adoption of new estates, relied on developers, and other parties involved in the building process, completing their parts of the process before the Council could adopt and maintain them. Traffic Regulation Orders were sometimes put in place before the road was adopted.

In response to Members' suggestions that Planning Enforcement be examined as a scrutiny review, this topic had already been reviewed and the Committee would be updated on the findings of this at a later date.

RESOLVED: (i) That the report be noted.

 (ii) That the proposed Scrutiny Topics not be progressed to review.

REASON: Due to legal constraints, the Committee is unable to set a suitable remit to address the concerns raised in the topic registration forms.

Councillor Scott, Chair
[The meeting started at 5.35 pm and finished at 8.05 pm].

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28th September 2010

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- What is the Council's priority order for bringing forward development sites and how will they be brought forward?

The Council is working in partnership to bring forward a number of key development sites in the City including Nestle South, Terry's, Derwenthorpe, York Central and British Sugar. The Council's approach is to be responsive to and support the timescales and work programmes of developers, land owners and other interested parties. The Council's activities include work on pre-application advice, statutory planning frameworks, masterplanning, funding of packages and determination of planning applications.

- What proportion of Yorkshire Forward's Assets are coming into York?

The only substantive landownership of Yorkshire Forward in York is at Holgate Park, as part of the York Central scheme. We are lobbying, through both the LGA and Yorkshire Forward, for this asset to transfer to the Council. A decision on this has yet to be made. The meeting of Local Government Yorkshire and Humber leaders on 19th August agreed that there would be a collective response made to Government on behalf of all 22 local authorities in the region for the assets of Yorkshire Forward to remain in the region (taking into account that some of these carry with them financial liabilities in parts of the region)

- What are the governance arrangements for Local Enterprise Partnerships and what representation will York have?

We have supported outline proposals for LEPs covering the Leeds City Region and York and North Yorkshire. These were submitted by the deadline of 6th September and a response is awaited from Government to both proposals. Proposals for governance arrangements for both proposed LEPs are currently under consideration. The White Paper will take this into account.

- What relationships will exist between York, North Yorkshire & East Yorkshire relating to economic development?

There is a long standing arrangement for the York and North Yorkshire Partnership which has considered economic development issues, particularly through Yorkshire Forward's sub-regional investment plan (SRIP). The Centre for Cities report on prioritizing prosperity in York highlighted the importance of economic links between York and the East Riding. It is intended that these relationships will be explored further the development of the LEP – the Council have actively encouraged further dialogue with the East Riding as an integral part of this LEP development. Priorities identified in the York and North Yorkshire LEP are:

1. To invest in the role of York as Economic driver for the sub region
2. Secure investment in the provision of broadband including next generation
3. Promote enterprise and raise aspirations
4. Invest in business tourism and the visitor economy

5. Support for a coastal regeneration (through Hull, East Riding and Scarborough LEP)
6. Reduce the barriers restraining high growth businesses in rural areas
7. Support the food and the agricultural sector
8. Enable the care sector to meet rising needs

- What interconnectivity is there between York and other high profile tourist destinations such as London & Edinburgh?

This is largely the responsibility of Visit York which has been established as a company limited by guarantee, with 3 elected members representing the Council on the board.

Visit York is part of the heritage cities marketing consortium, primarily for the US market.

Visit York are also members of the European Cities Marketing group, which includes other UK members - it is through this group that York became European City of the Year in 2007 and 2008.

Visit York have had fairly regular dialogue with Chester and Manchester, and have worked with Nottingham on the VIC benchmarking.

Other connections have been made through Welcome to Yorkshire on encouraging people from the South to enjoy Yorkshire – such as the Railway Children at Waterloo Station.

Yorkshire Museum @ The British Museum. The British Museum are keen on partnership working with the regions, so they worked with the Yorkshire Museum to allow them to display treasures at the British Museum in early-mid 2010 (while the Yorkshire museum was being refurbished. Was an excellent profile raising event.

We regularly work with the rail companies and invariably promote rail access to York - clearly linkage to Edinburgh and London is an important part of the message.

- What impact will place shaping budgeting have on service delivery in York?

It is important that at a time of reduced resources that we try and bring together priorities for spend around places to try and reduce duplication or fragmentation of spend and maximise 'pooling of resources' to achieve better synergy and value for money.

- What is the economic cost of housing demand outstripping supply in York?

An appropriate level of new housing is required to support the local economy to ensure that there is an appropriate housing offer to incoming businesses and that the local workforce has access to the right type of housing. Housing completions in York have fallen significantly in York since the recession started in 2008. If we do not fully meet housing demand in this city (and there are good environmental capacity reasons why we should not), then we will need to plan for increased in commuting from people from outside York who take up new jobs in the City.



Economic and City Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee

28th September 2010

Report of the Director of City Strategy

2010/11 Finance and Performance Monitor 1 Report

Summary

1. This report provides details of the 2010/11 forecast outturn position for both finance and performance in City Strategy and Housing Services.

Analysis

Finance – forecast outturn overview General Fund

2. The current outturn position within the City Strategy Directorate is a projected overspend of £+937k on a total net budget of £8,125k. The Housing General Fund has a budget of £1,483k and is expected to overspend by £124k. Service Plan Variations by service plan are shown below:

| | Net Budget £'000 | Projected Outturn £'000 | Variance £'000 |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| City Strategy Directorate | | | |
| City Development & Transport | 4,277 | 4,508 | +231 |
| Planning & Sustainable Development | 1,358 | 1,638 | +280 |
| Resource & Business Management | -296 | -120 | +176 |
| Economic Development | 2,186 | 2,206 | +20 |
| Property | 600 | 830 | +230 |
| Total | 8,125 | 9,062 | +937 |
| Housing Services | | | |
| Housing General Fund | 1,483 | 1,607 | +124 |

Note: '+' indicates an increase in expenditure or shortfall in income

'-' indicates a reduction in expenditure or increase in income

3. Details of the main variations by service plan are detailed in the following paragraphs.

City Development and Transport (£+231k)

4. Car Parking income is forecast to be £+306k below budget which is made up of £+118k short stay, £+201k standard stay, £+8k on-street offset by net £-21k surplus on Respark and season tickets.

5. There is an underspend of £-26k on employee costs within School Crossing Patrols where a number of posts were unfilled in the first part of the year, and a further £-22k from a vacancy in Emergency Planning.
6. There are expected to be £+20k additional consultation costs in preparing the LTP3, however this is offset by £-7k saving in new residents parking zone due to low demand, and £-40k saving in public transport.

Planning and Sustainable Development (£+280k)

7. The economic downturn has continued to have a significant impact income within the Planning Service. The planning income projected shortfall is £+150k due to low numbers of major scheme applications, but an improvement on the £+500k reduction in income reported last year. Income from building control is projected to be a further £+180k below budget but offset by £-68k staff savings. Income from local searches is expected to be £+60k below budget due to low activity in the housing market, also offset by £-42k staff savings.

Resource & Business Management (£+176k)

8. The primary reason for this projected overspend is the lower than expected dividend from Yorwaste (£+230k) due to reduced tonnages and reductions in recyclates prices. This is offset by £-54k staff saving due to apprentices leaving or providing maternity cover.

Economic Development (£+20k)

9. Officers have carried out a detailed review of markets and city centre budgets and have realigned the budgets accordingly. Other budgets for Science City, Tourism and Inward Investment relate to guaranteed contributions to partner organisations that deliver the service. However, due to withdrawal of Yorkshire Forward funding inward investment is expected to overspend by £+20k.

Property Services (£+230k)

10. The main variation within Property Services is that Commercial property income is expected to be £+188k below budget, linked to not receiving wayleave income at Harewood Whin and from lost income due to property sales.
11. There are further overspends due to the decision to defer asset sales in the current economic climate which has resulted in £+99k additional costs of holding surplus assets such as Manor school Lowfields school and Parkside.
12. There is expected to be £-57k energy saving in the council's accommodation budget

Remedial Action

13. The Departmental Management Team have asked managers to review expenditure budgets and consider what actions can be undertaken to bring the budget back into a balanced position.

Housing Services (£+124k)

14. The review of the Housing General Fund budgets indicates that the service will be £+124k over budget. An overspend of £+161k on utility costs at travellers sites is offset by £-19k additional income being received at Howe Hill due to higher occupancy than forecast and £-18k savings on removals.

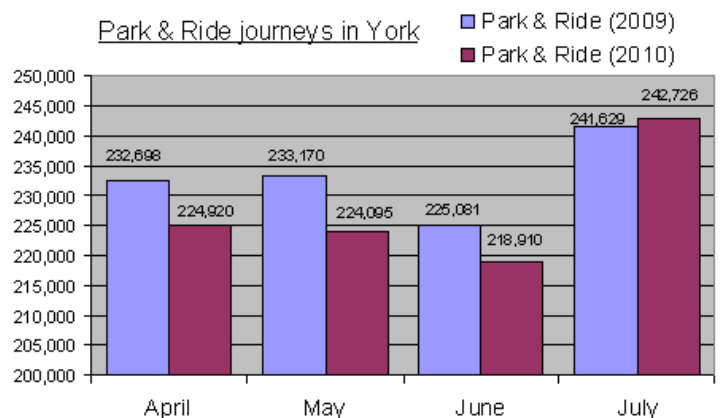
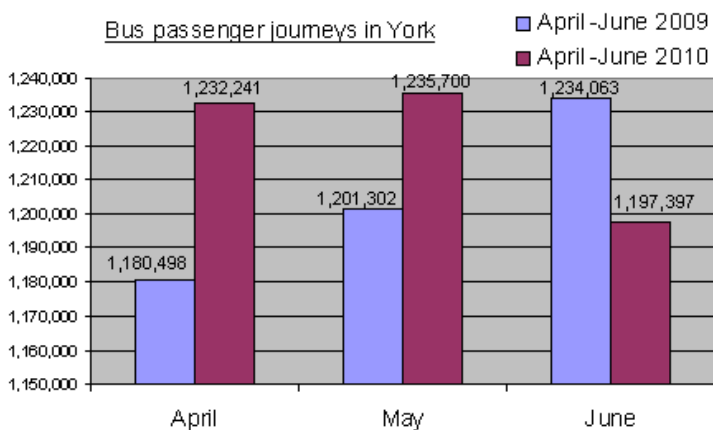
Finance Housing Revenue Account (HRA) - Non General Fund account

15. The working balance budget on the HRA is £8,777k and this first review indicates a net underspend of £-383k, leaving a projected working balance of £9,160k. The variances include:
- Overspends totalling £+120k, the main areas being overspends on lift repairs and additional health and safety equipment purchased for estate workers along with reduced income and a reduction in interest received on the balances held.
 - Underspends totalling £-503k, mainly due to staff vacancies across housing operations, asset management and temporary accommodation along with reductions in interest payable and increased income from leaseholders and shops.

Performance – Monitor 1 Overview

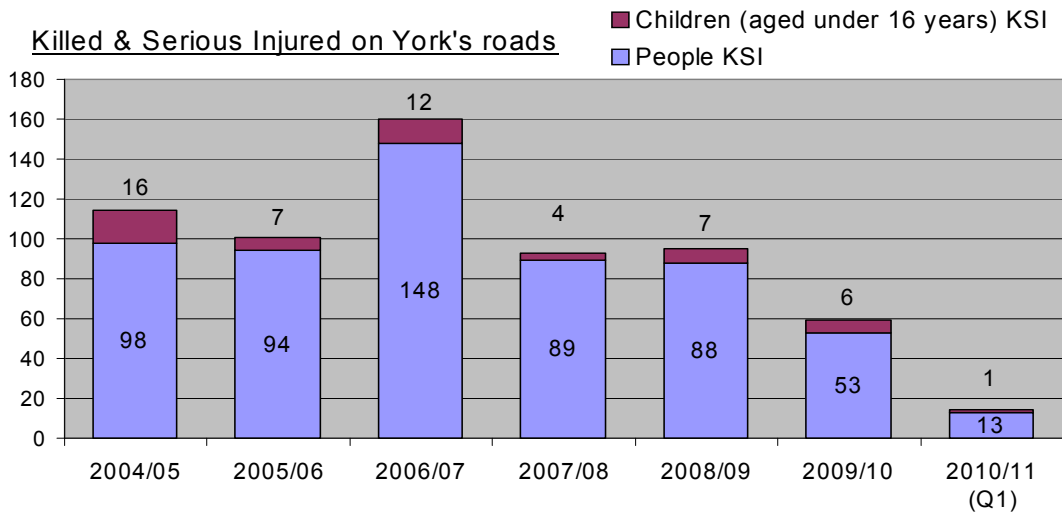
City Development and Transport

16. For Bus and Park & Ride Passengers: The overall number of passenger journeys in York improved slightly on the same period last year (currently 3.67m for April - June compared to 3.61m in the same period in 2009). Park & Ride data is now available up to July and shows a 2.3% decrease (910,651 compared to 932,578 in the same period last year). Although passengers for the first 3 months show slight reductions on last year, July figures show a 4.5% increase and it is hoped that this trend will continue over the next 8 months of 2010-11. Residents and visitors to York continue to be encouraged to use the bus through a variety of means, including more 'Car Free Days'. The council is also gradually rolling the 'Your next bus' initiative, providing SMS text real time bus information to mobile phone users.



| | Apr – Jul 2009 | Apr-Jul 2010 | % change |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------|----------|
| Askham Bar | 173,898 | 181,510 | +4.4% |
| Grimston Bar | 155,723 | 145,510 | -6.6% |
| Rawcliffe Bar | 243,061 | 215,303 | -11.4% |
| Designer Outlet | 193,163 | 196,659 | +1.8% |
| Monks Cross | 166,733 | 171,669 | +3.0% |

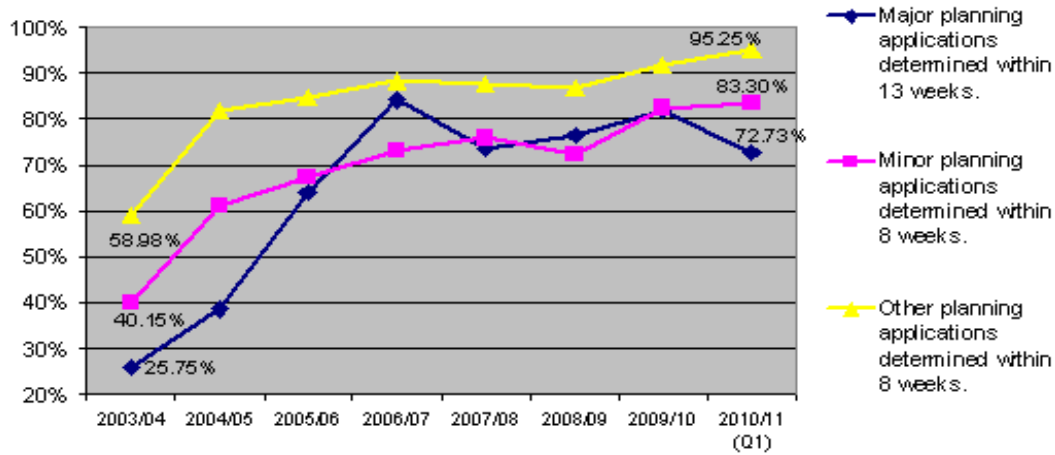
17. *NPI 47: People killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents (LAA indicator).* A range of successful initiatives introduced in the last year, such as the 'Made you Look' campaign and the 'Safer Business Driving Conference has resulted in a significant improvement in the number of people killed and seriously injured on York's roads over the past 18 months and this trend has continued in Q1 (see graph below). A safer driving campaign for event for older drivers is planned for October.



Planning and Sustainable Development

18. *NPI 157a-c: Processing planning applications.* The number of 'minor' planning applications determined within 8 weeks stands at 83.3% for Q1 (a 1% increase on last year). The number of 'major' applications determined within 13 weeks declined in Q1 (currently 73% compared to 82% in 2009-10). This was due to 4 of 11 applications in April and May failing to make the 13-week timescale (see graph overleaf). Despite this decline, all 3 indicators are currently performing in the top quartile for unitary authorities.

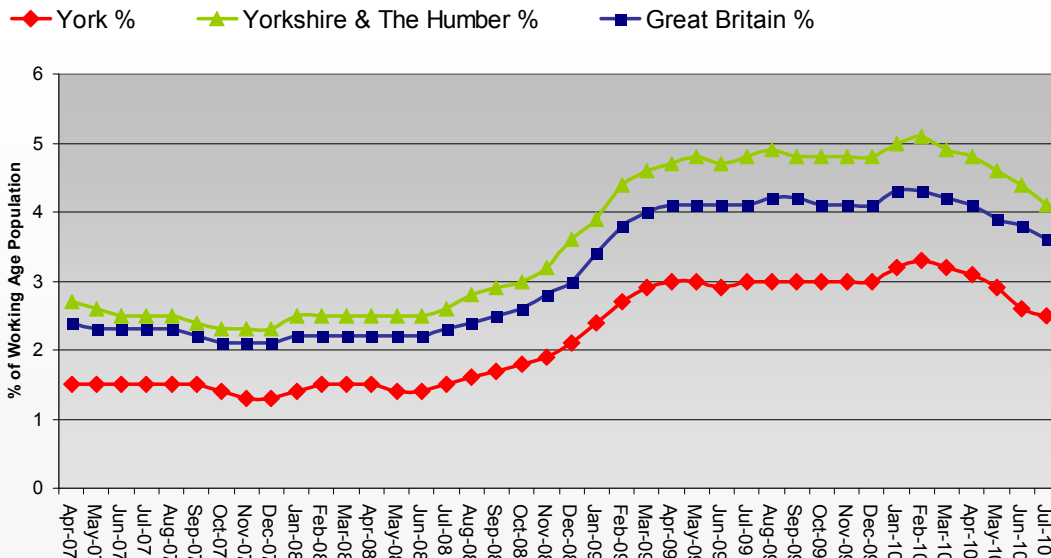
Processing planning applications



Economic Development

19. VJ15a&b: York’s unemployment rate (12 month rolling average). Unemployment in York is currently 2.2% below the regional and 1.4% below the national average. A key indicator of unemployment is the number of York residents claiming job seekers allowance, which was 3443 in July 2010, a decrease of 21 from the previous month. This equates to 2.5% of the working age population and is well below the claimant count for Yorkshire and the Humber, which stands at 4.1% and the UK, which stands at 3.6% (see graph overleaf). However, York usually experiences seasonal variations due to School/College/University leavers who may find it difficult to find employment in the current economic climate.

Job Seekers Allowance Claimants



| Date | York (No) | York % | Yorkshire & Humber % | Great Britain % |
|----------|-----------|--------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Apr-2010 | 3,957 | 3.1 | 4.8 | 4.1 |
| May-2010 | 3738 | 2.9 | 4.6 | 3.9 |
| Jun-2010 | 3464 | 2.6 | 4.4 | 3.8 |
| Jul-2010 | 3443 | 2.5 | 4.1 | 3.6 |

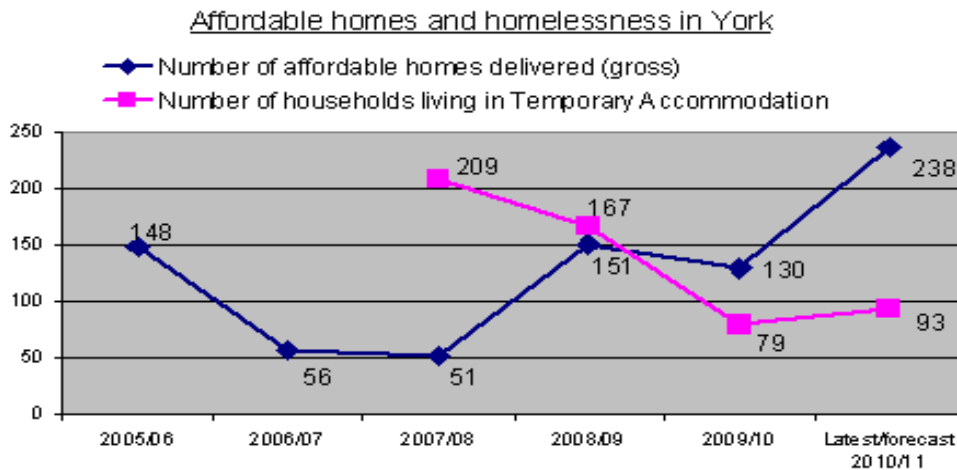
20. A number of factors and initiatives have influenced York's encouraging rates, and further work is underway to ensure this continues. One City is an initiative, which sees City of York Council taking measures to help residents and businesses through the recession. The main aim is to help individuals limit debt, and to support business growth and minimise job losses. Work currently taking place includes:
- advice and information to sign-post businesses to sources of support.
 - an external strategic assessment of the city's economic outlook and its ability to recover from the recession.
 - an enterprise fund/allowance scheme is offered on a match-funding basis. To date 10 businesses have been supported through the fund. The businesses supported so far range from mobile catering to computing companies.
 - the Business Forum working with 126 businesses to ensure that their needs are centrally involved in shaping the city's economic development policy; fostering opportunities for continuing commercial success and future growth opportunities.

Resource and Business Management

21. This service plan area holds the cross cutting performance information for the directorate of City Strategy; for example, indicators relating to Health and Safety, Human Resources, Customer First and Finance. Resource and Business Management is not responsible for any National Performance Indicators.

Housing

22. NPI 155: Affordable homes (LAA indicator). In quarter one 52 new affordable homes have been delivered. 22 of these homes have been delivered on two private developments through planning gain agreements. The remainder have been through various grant-funded routes. The current forecast for the year is 238 against an LAA target of 252 but this will be subject to review in the current housing market and economic climate. If funding from the Homes and Communities Agency is still available, it will allow the council to build up to 21 new family homes for rent in Clifton. Work on this development will start in early in 2011 with the homes completed approximately one year later. Funding for the YorHome scheme expires October 2010 and a report reviewing the future viability of the scheme was considered in August. A funding bid for Ordnance Lane has been submitted to the Homes and Communities Agency and a decision as to whether funding will be granted is still awaited.
23. NPI 156: Homelessness (LAA indicator). The number of York households living in temporary accommodation fell by 52% in 2009-10, despite a rise in repossessions and homelessness across the UK. As a result, the improvement target of 75 households set for this year was particularly challenging as the recession starts to deepen. Current performance shows a rise in households living in temporary accommodation (now up to 93). However, the first half of the year is generally busier and a caseworker vacancy has significantly affected staff capacity for this service. Performance is expected to improve throughout the year.



Corporate Priorities

- 24. The information included in this report demonstrates progress on achieving the council's corporate strategy (2009-12) and the priorities set out in it.

Implications

- 25. There are no financial, human resources, equalities, legal, crime & disorder, information technology, property or other implications associated with this report.

Risk Management

- 26. The report provides Members with updates on finance and service performance and therefore there are no significant risks in the content of the report.

Recommendations

- 27. As this report is for information only, there are no recommendations.

Reason: To update the scrutiny committee of the latest finance and performance position.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None

Wards Affected: *List wards or tick box to indicate all*

All

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Background Working Papers

First Performance and Financial Monitor for 2010/11 , Executive 7th Sept 2010

Annexes

None

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Economic & City Development Overview & Scrutiny Committee

28th September 2010

Report of the Head of Civic, Legal, Democratic Services

Update on Implementation of Recommendations of Previous Scrutiny Reviews

Summary

1. This report provides Members with update information on the implementation of recommendations made as a result of previously completed scrutiny reviews on Guidance for Sustainable Development and Planning Enforcement.

Background

2. In the past the Scrutiny Management Committee (SMC) have monitored the implementation of recommendations arising from Scrutiny Reviews. Under the new scrutiny structure responsibility for this falls with the individual scrutiny committees.

Consultation

3. Relevant officers have provided update information on the recommendations arising from the reviews and will be in attendance at the meeting to answer any questions.

Options

4. With regard to Annexes A and B, Members may choose to done one, some or all of the suggestions below:
 - a. Sign off those recommendations where implementation has been completed
 - b. Request further updates to clarify any outstanding recommendations
 - c. Commission a further report in relation to the outstanding recommendations in Annex A (Guidance on Sustainable Development)

Analysis

5. The review on Guidance on Sustainable Development was completed in October 2006. Members of SMC have signed off some of the recommendations already and this report presents updated information on those that are still outstanding. The update on the implementation of the recommendations is provided at Annex A to this report.
6. Members last considered the recommendations arising from the Guidance on Sustainable Development Scrutiny Review at a meeting on 9th March 2010. At this time the Committee indicated that they were not happy with the slow progress being made on implementing these recommendations, especially as the review had been completed in 2006. The document (Annex A) has now been updated with further progress, which may go some way to appeasing Members' concerns. However if the Committee are still concerned they may wish to consider commissioning a further, in depth report from the relevant director that addresses the reasons for delayed implementation.
7. The review of Planning Enforcement was completed in May 2009. The update on the implementation of the recommendations is provided at Annex B to this report.

Corporate Strategy 2009/12

8. The process of monitoring the implementation of approved recommendations helps us to be an 'Effective Organisation'.

Implications

9. There are no known Financial, Human Resources, Equalities, Legal, ITT or other implications associated with the recommendations in this report.

Risk Management

10. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated with this report.

Recommendations

11. Members are asked to note the contents of this report and agree which recommendations arising from previously completed scrutiny reviews can be signed off. They are also recommended to commission a further report from the relevant director regarding the delayed implementation of recommendations arising from the Guidance on Sustainable Development Scrutiny Review.

Reason: To raise awareness of those recommendations which have still to be implemented.

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Wards Affected:

All



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Background Papers: None

Annexes

Annex A – Update on Guidance on Sustainable Development

Annex B – Planning Enforcement

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| <p>Guidance For Sustainable Development (Review Completed in October 2006) Mike Slater / Jonathan Carr</p> | 3 | <p>That Solar Gain will be considered when assessing all planning proposals to ensure that proposed new developments or major refurbishments do not impact upon measures for active or passive solar gain in existing developments that surround them. Developers will be required to evidence assessment of the impact of development proposals on solar gain on neighbouring developments, whether they be existing structures or proposed structures in receipt of prior planning permission. This recommendation to be referred for consideration by the LDF Working Group.</p> | <p>This is currently not undertaken. Through the IPS solar gain is not considered for surrounding buildings, only directly for the building under construction.</p> | <p>The Sustainability Officer has been working with the Head of Development Control to agree a Toolkit designed to ensure that the provisions of the IPS adopted by the council in 2007 are considered in relation to all development proposals. However, measures beyond the scope of the IPS need to be further considered by the LDF working group.</p> | <p>The toolkit is nearing completion for roll out in Spring 2010. Officers from the Council's Forward Planning and Sustainability Teams have been working closely together and will continue to do so to agree specific policies as part of the LDF process on the Resources Efficiency Chapter of the Core Strategy and the associated update of the IPS and potential SPD. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group.</p> | <p>The toolkit is complete and will be sent out with training for Development Management officers once the SD team have finished the consultation and implementation of the climate change framework and action plan (after November 2010). Officers from the Council's Forward Planning and Sustainability Teams continue to work closely to agree specific policies as part of the LDF process / Core Strategy on sustainable design and construction, energy and renewable energy and sustainable resources use and the associated update of the IPS and potential SPD. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group.</p> |
| | 4 | <p>That all new or significantly refurbished developments will give consideration to incorporating sustainable – renewably powered – street lighting. This recommendation to be referred for consideration by the LDF Working Group.</p> | <p>This is currently not undertaken through the IPS. The IPS asks for efficient appliances only. However, the Council are currently considering trials for this under the carbon management programme.</p> | <p>The Sustainability Officer has been working with the Head of Development Control to agree a Toolkit designed to ensure that the provisions of the IPS adopted by the council in 2007 are considered in relation to all development proposals. However, measures beyond the scope of the IPS need to be further considered by the LDF working group.</p> | <p>Officers from the Council's Forward Planning and Sustainability Teams have been working closely together and will continue to do so to agree specific policies as part of the LDF process on the Resources Efficiency Chapter of the Core Strategy and the associated update of the IPS and potential SPD. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group.</p> | <p>In terms of streetlighting, a sustainable street lighting programme is being carried out in 2010/11 and will save approx. 330tonnes of CO2 (this is part of the Council's Carbon Management Programme). In terms of new development officers from the Council's Forward Planning and Sustainability Teams continue to work closely to agree specific policies as part of the LDF process / Core Strategy on sustainable design and construction, energy and renewable energy and sustainable resources use and the associated update of the IPS and potential SPD. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group.</p> |
| | 5 | <p>That developers be required to replace proposals for areas of impermeable hard standing with plans incorporate standing (or forms of pavier) which provides for water to soak away. This recommendation to be referred for consideration by the LDF Working Group.</p> | <p>Through the IPS, developers are required to include a statement on Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS) including justifications as to whether or not this can be achieved.</p> | <p>The Sustainability Officer has been working with the Head of Development Control to agree a Toolkit designed to ensure that the provisions of the IPS adopted by the council in 2007 are considered in relation to all development proposals. National guidance on drainage provisions may require further improvements to local policies. The IDB is necessarily looking at these in relation to development proposals.</p> | <p>The toolkit is nearing completion for roll out in Spring 2010.</p> | <p>Local drainage policy is being dealt with through the development of the LDF and Core Strategy. The current IPS on Sustainable Design and Construction does encourage the use of SUDS. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group.</p> |

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| | 12 | That environmental sustainability be specifically referred to within the context of the 'Historic Environment'. This recommendation to be referred for consideration by the LDF Working Group. | The Core Strategy will cover strategic policy issues concerning the historic environment. We will make sure this is cross referenced with considerations of sustainable design and construction. | It is hoped to agree a statement of ambition in relation to the Historic Environment with English Heritage by Sept 2009 and to work with them on agreeing further specific policies as part of the LDF process. | The Councils Forward Planning Team have been working closely with English Heritage on the LDF and will continue to do so in order to agree an appropriate approach to the strategy and policies as part of the LDF process specifically in relation to Environmental Sustainability. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group. | A heritage topic paper has been developed to support the LDF and the Council's Forward Planning Team continue to work closely with English Heritage on the LDF and will continue to do so in order to agree an appropriate approach to the strategy and policies as part of the LDF process specifically in relation to Environmental Sustainability. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group. |
| | 13 | That efforts are made to ensure that historic buildings, including the space above shops, incorporate high quality insulation and double glazing, where it is possible to do so without compromising the appearance of the building. This recommendation to be referred for consideration by the LDF Working Group. | The design of buildings within the historic environment is an issue considered as part of the Core Strategy Issues and Options document (Sept 2007). The document encouraged the preservation and enhancement of York's historic environment and explores options of how this can be done. | It is hoped to agree a statement of ambition in relation to the Historic Environment with English Heritage by Sept 2009 and to work with them on agreeing further specific policies as part of the LDF process. | York's LDF will contain a policy which is appropriate and sensitive to the alteration of historic buildings in the context of sustainable development. This will be considered by the LDF Working Group. | York's LDF continues to develop a policy which is appropriate and sensitive to the alteration of historic buildings in the context of sustainable development. This will be considered by the LDF Working Group. |
| | 14 | That overdevelopment should be avoided. In particular the LDF core strategy should prevent the construction of excessively high buildings, and seek to enhance the historic environment by, where possible, incorporating buildings and traffic-free public green space with the mutual aims of: | The Core Strategy Issues and Options document's (Sept 2007) vision stipulates that York's historical and archaeological wealth and setting should be recognised, preserved and enhanced; in particular its historic centre, skyline, street patterns, views of the Minster, Medieval and Roman walls and valued open spaces, including the Strays and its 34 conservation areas. | This will be addressed through the completion of the Central Historic Core Conservation Area Character Appraisal and Views analysis which is part of the DCSD work programme for 2009/10. | This will be addressed through the completion of the Central Historic Core Conservation Area Character Appraisal and Views analysis which is part of the DCSD work programme for 2009/10. | As part of the York renaissance programme an officer will be in post to carry out and complete work relating to the Central Historic Core Conservation Area Character Appraisal and Views analysis |

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| | | i Providing good views of architecturally significant build whether this be historic or modern | In addition to the Core Strategy, the Council are also preparing a City Centre Area Action Plan (AAP) which will eventually become the 20 year vision for the city centre. This document is currently at the Issues and Options stage. It considers design issues related to the city centre, including consideration of views and tall buildings. | A programme aimed at raising awareness of design quality facilitated by BEAM (the regional architecture centre) & and supported by CABE - Commission for Architecture & the Built Environment is planned through 2009/10 as part of the process of developing the City Centre AAP | A programme aimed at raising awareness of design quality facilitated by BEAM (the regional architecture centre) & and supported by CABE - Commission for Architecture & the Built Environment is planned through 2009/10 as part of the process of developing the City Centre AAP. The Council have also agreed an approach through the LDF Core Strategy Preferred Options document in York's Special Historic and Built Environment Chapter that the Council will prepare a Conservation Area Appraisal for the Central Historic Core, an assessment of key views, characterisation studies for key strategic sites and support the production of other Conservation Area Appraisals, Parish Plans and Village Design Statements. Any further development of this approach through the Core Strategy Submission document will be considered and taken to the LDF Working Group. | The Heritage Renaissance Officer starts 13/9/10 and a key part of the role is the early commissioning of the CHC CACA and views analysis - A Heritage topic paper is also being produced which looks at the special characteristics of the City and attempts to offer a framework for assessing the impacts of development. The civic Trust have also launched their own views project |
| | | ii improving biodiversity and green corridors | As part of the LDF evidence base, work is currently ongoing on the Biodiversity Audit and Action Plan for the city. It is anticipated that this will be completed by the end of the year. This work along with other work on open space and green infrastructure will form the basis of the Council's Green Infrastructure Strategy. It is anticipated that this will be produced as a Supplementary Planning Document in support of the LDF Core Strategy. | partly addressed by the open space study - see below | The Council's Forward Planning Team have been working closely with the Council's Ecologist and they have completed the Biodiversity Audit. Work is still ongoing to complete the Biodiversity Action Plan and Green Infrastructure Strategy which is due to be completed alongside the Core Strategy Submission Document. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group. | Blo D Action. Plan to progress not Stewardship aaps complete. |

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| | | iii improving air quality and rain water soak away | Guidance on air quality is currently being developed by the Council's Environmental Protection section. The issue of rain water soak away is included within the IPS. | | The Council's City Development Team are currently working closely with the Councils Environmental Protection Unit and Sustainability Team to decide how to incorporate Air Quality in the Core Strategy and discuss the potential of producing an SPD which covers air quality. This will be considered by the LDF Working Group. In relation to rain water soak aways this is currently included within the IPS. The Councils Forward Planning and Sustainability Teams have been working closely on the Core Strategy Resource Efficiency Chapter and the associated update of the IPS and possible SPD. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group. | Work continues to address air quality through the LDF and Core Strategy. A Low Emissions Strategy is also being developed by CYC to reduce air quality across York. |
| | 14 | iv creating a greater percentage of public open space across the city | In August 2008, the Council approved an open space study which assesses current open space and makes recommendations for future provisions. This will now form part of LDF's evidence base. It will inform our future approach to writing policies and also setting targets for different areas of the City and for different typologies of open space. | No Change | No Change | Officers are currently working on the LDF Core Strategy which will (subject to member approval) set the parameters for and include a commitment to producing a Green Infrastructure Strategy. This document will include the consideration of levels and types and quality of openspace and an appropriate, deliverable action plan. |
| | | a. The Executive recognises merits in the general approach of Recommendation 14 but in the absence of agreed definitions finds it impossible to understand the practicality of implementing the suggestion, and | | | | |
| | | b. The recommendation be referred to Officers for further information and to incorporate the views of the LDF Working Group. | | | | |

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| | 15 | That green spaces and gardens are preserved, particularly in the city centre, and that new green space and/or sustainable designed water features be incorporated into all major new developments. | The IPS stipulates that relevant large scale commercial and residential developments should incorporate sustainable urban drainage, in practice allowing for sustainable water features. In addition the Council's recent open space study which will support the LDF process will allow added protection to be given to green spaces. This will be supported by ongoing work on green infrastructure, also being undertaken as supporting work to the LDF. | No Change | No Change | IPS Still Stands |
| | 16 | That new developments should be built on 'Life-long' principles. This recommendation to be referred for consideration by the LDF Working Group. | Within the Core Strategy Issues and Options document (Sept 2007) (which is a part of the Local Development Framework – LDF), information regarding Lifetime Homes is included. This promotes 'life-long' buildings which are able to adapt to people's changing needs throughout their lifetimes. | No Change | Under 'The Code for Sustainable Homes' (Feb 2008) all public sector housing is built to code level 4 and private sector housing to code level 3 as a minimum. This was implemented through changes to the Building Regulations. The Code makes Lifetime Homes Standard mandatory at Code Level 4 (so therefore a requirement for all public sector housing) and will make this mandatory at Code Level 3 (so therefore a requirement for all private sector housing as well) from 2013. This means that all homes will be built to Life Time Homes standard by 2013. In addition the Council have commissioned an Older Person's Accommodation and Support Needs Study which will inform allocating housing for older people. | Open space study from 2008 - but also Alan Simpson's Vision work |

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| | 17 | That access to public transport be a material consideration when evaluating planning proposals for health service provision, such as dentists' or doctors' surgeries. This recommendation to be referred for consideration by the LDF Working Group. | Through the IPS, sustainability statements should include a detailed account of accessibility issues via sustainable means. i.e. walking, cycling, public transport (access to be within 400m). BREEAM also takes these issues into account. The Core Strategy Issues and Options document (Sept 2007) also looks at sustainable transport initiatives. Access to transport is a key indicator when looking at the development of existing settlements and deciding where future development should go. Again, further policy guidance will be produced through the production of an SPD. | No Change | Access to public transport and services is a fundamental part of the Council's Spatial Strategy which is incorporated within the LDF Core Strategy. This is also a key part of York's Core Strategy Transport and Access to Services Chapters. Continued discussions with the Council's Transport Planning Unit will allow further consideration of policies on Access to Public Transport and Services when developing the Submission Core Strategy document. These will be considered by the LDF Working Group. | The previous comments remain valid. In addition Officers working on both the LDF Core Strategy and the Local transport Plan are working closely together to ensure a complementary approach. |
| | 19 | That Buildings Control investigate the sourcing and availability of materials for sustainable development in York and make that information readily available to the public. Following consideration by the LDF Working Group, officers to report back on the operational, workload and financial implications. | Due to the factors identified above and lack of staff resource (CYC BC officers currently operate at double the national officer caseload) this has not been possible. | work on promoting an eco development may offer the opportunity to revisit this request, but lack of staff resources remains as barrier to progress | No Change | No Change |
| | 21 | That a feasibility study be carried out to explore the viability of Building Control acting as the Council's promoter of sustainable construction. Following consideration by the LDF Working Group, officers to report back on the operational, workload and financial implications. | The previous sustainability officer (KP) was trying to arrange a series of workshops for local architects/developers to gauge interest. The original workshops were cancelled due to what is now the Sustainability IPS being withdrawn for further consultation, and it was not possible to reschedule due to resource issues. It is anticipated that this be now be reactivated with the current Sustainability officer. | work on promoting an eco development may offer the opportunity to revisit this request, but lack of staff resources remains as barrier to progress | No Change | Proposed changes to the Building Regulations in October 2010 (under part L), will bring new requirements to conserve energy which will reduce CO2. |

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| | 25 | That the executive support proposals to formally request the Yorkshire and Humber Assembly to endorse the development of recognised voluntary standards above the minimum promoting lower energy usage and emissions. Officers to provide additional information in the light of existing regional and emerging national policies and, in respect of ITT applications, resource, capacity and financing issues. | This has not been possible due to resource issues. | work on promoting an eco development may offer the opportunity to revisit this request, but lack of staff resources remains as barrier to progress | The Integrated Regional Strategy (IRS) will promote better standards of plan making. The City Development Team have been heavily involved in the promotion of the York Northwest Eco Town proposal which is part of the Leeds City Region Urban Eco Settlements Delivery Programme. In addition the Council's Forward Planning and Sustainability Teams have commissioned consultants AEA to undertake a Strategic Renewable Energy Viability Study which will inform the Council about local potential, viability and deliverability of the renewable energy options available within York, and identify opportunities for the setting for higher targets for renewable or low carbon energy generation. This study will be considered by the LDF Working Group. | No update as work continues as per the last update. |
| Resolved at SMC as of 18 May 2009 | | | | | | |
| (ii) That recommendation 8 of the "Guidance for Sustainable Development Review" be signed off (iv) That recommendations 3, 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 21 and 25 of the "Guidance for Sustainable Development Review" be referred to the Economic and City Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee for their implementation to be monitored. (v) That the Director of City Strategy be made aware of the Committee's concerns regarding the delays in implementing some of the recommendations of the "Guidance for Sustainable Development Review" | | | | | | |
| Resolved at the Economic & City Development Meeting on 9th March 2010 to bring these back to Committee in 6 months time | | | | | | |

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| Planning Enforcement Ad Hoc Scrutiny Committee Mike Slater & Jonathan Carr | 1 | That the Head of Development Control: | |
| | 1(i) | Prioritises new cases/complaints | Cases are categorised as described in the enforcement guide published on the website, to prioritise the caseload. Following the restructuring of the Section and the change to development Management, the Enforcement Appeals and S 106 team Leader is in post and has dedicated responsibility for the management and prioritisation of cases. |
| | 2 | That, once trigger points are reached and payment has not been received, Section 106 Agreements are promptly passed to Legal for action | Initial reminder letters to developers can often be sufficient prompt to secure payment, and avoid costly and time consuming formal action. Otherwise cases are referred to Legal Services. In many cases now, given the use of conditions to secure infrastructure works, there may be a breach of condition rather than a non compliance with a S106 agreement. Review of the process for S 106 agreements is considering ways of streamlining the process such that one letter advising of the trigger point is reached will be sent prior to Legal proceedings being instigated. |
| | 4(i) | That the expenditure of Section 106 monies be made entirely in accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations | As previously reported, this is dependent on the directorates responsible for the required infrastructure improvement. A recent internal audit suggested that the funds were being used as intended. The new Team Leader for Enforcement, S106 and Appeals will be reviewing the Section 106 contribution arrangements. |

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| | 4(ii) | That a regular report be presented to the relevant Planning Committees detailing where Section 106 monies have been spent by the receiving Directorates | The new Team Leader will be considering the most appropriate reporting arrangements in liaison with relevant fund -receiving directorates, which need to feedback on how the contributions have or will be spent. Assessment of the preparation time and resource implications will be required. |
| | 5 | That Planning Enforcement Officers be issued with: | |
| | 5 (i) | Necessary mobile communications technology (e.g.; laptop, mobile phone, PDA, laser rule) subject to the outcome of the pilot scheme to be undertaken by Building Control and to funding being available | The final outcome of the Building Control pilot project is still awaited. Various devices have been trialled and issues identified. The costs, benefits and value added of tablet devices for enforcement are being considered as part of the More for York process review work, as changes to existing and purchase of new software would be required. Mobile phones, are already issued to staff. |
| | 5 (ii) | A First Response Kit and any appropriate training to use this | First response kits with usage instructions have been issued to all enforcement staff |
| | 9 | That a copy of the final report of the Planning Enforcement Ad Hoc Scrutiny Committee be circulated to all Members involved with Planning Committees | This was sent out to all Members on 24.02.2010 |
| Note | | That at a meeting of Economic & City Development in March 2010 the following recommendations were signed off as complete: 1(ii), 1(iii), 3,6,7,8 and 9 | |



Economic and City Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee

28th September 2010

Report of the Director of City Strategy

Future of Yorkshire Forward and Proposals for Local Enterprise Partnerships

Summary

This report appraises the Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the likely future of Regional Development Agencies and proposals involving the City of York to establish Local Enterprise Partnerships.

INTRODUCTION

1. This paper brings the Overview and Scrutiny Committee up to date with progress on Local Enterprise Partnerships and also the proposed Regional Growth Fund. Members will already be aware of the intention of the Coalition Government to wind up the Regional Development Agencies. It explains the decision for York to join both a Leeds City Region and a York/ North Yorkshire outline bids for Local Enterprise Partnership status. It seeks comments and views on how York should position itself within the emerging Partnerships and how the Regional Growth Fund could best benefit York.

YORKSHIRE FORWARD

2. The attached note sets out background information on the investment by Yorkshire Forward in York in recent years. In the current year, Yorkshire Forward has been asked to find cuts in expenditure totalling some £45 million across the region. The outcome of the proposals for York is as follows:
 - Key Account Management – a proposal for the City of York Council working with other local authorities in North Yorkshire, taking this activity over from york-england.com, was at an advanced stage of negotiation. This has now been included in the programme of cutbacks.
 - York Central – cut of £40k in the current year, as part of a forecast budget of £125,000 for York Central in 2010/11.
 - York Renaissance Team – cut of £190k in the current year out of a forecast budget of £448,000 in 2010/11; this has impacted on the number of posts to be established within the Renaissance team.
 - One City programme to address worklessness and provide job match with employers - £200k project at risk and subject to further discussions to

incorporate into a Leeds City Region approach to worklessness. We have highlighted the need for this to be targeted on specific areas within York.

- Reduction in proposed grant funding to projects at York Minster and the National Railway Museum.
- There have been some significant reductions in regional programmes including a £3m cut to Business Link and £1m cut to Welcome to Yorkshire, with others identified at risk.
- Yorkshire biorefinery project - £1.29 million identified as project “at risk”; of interest to Science City York although no firm decision made at present.
- In addition, it is likely that Yorkshire Forward will face further reductions in expenditure for 2011/12.

THE COALITION GOVERNMENT’S APPROACH TO LEPS

3. The government’s economic development priorities relate to working with the private sector to create the right conditions to promote new employment growth and the rebalancing of those economies, which are over dependent on public sector jobs. Local Economic Partnerships (LEPs) are seen as the new drivers for strategic regeneration, with individual LEPs have a portfolio of functions dependent on local opportunities and circumstances. A new Regional Growth Fund, worth £1b over 2 years, will be the principal source of central resources to support economic development.
4. With an emerging government agenda focussed on building on success and maximising private sector investment, York, as the North’s most buoyant city, is well placed to be a strong and influential member of LEPs and to seek to maximise the Regional Growth Fund opportunities. It is also the North’s most buoyant economy (according to recent research from the Centre for Cities) and is attractive to private sector investment. We are well placed to work with business on worthwhile and major transformational projects as we emerge from the recent recession. However, our specific challenge of reducing public sector job dependency also allows us to score well against this particular criterion.

BACKGROUND TO LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIPS

5. The Partnership is probably well informed about the government’s proposals for Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs). However, the events leading to the formation of LEPs involved;
 - a joint letter (29 July 2010) from Eric Pickles/ Vince Cable, respective Secretary of States for BIS and DCLG, invited outline bids for the setting up of specific Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) to be submitted by 6 September. The letter follows the government’s decision to wind up Yorkshire Forward, as the Regional Development Agency, by March 2012 and to promote Local Enterprise Partnerships to fulfil the role of leading strategic economic and business development.

6. The letter from Eric Pickles and Vince Cable;

- invites local groups of councils, including upper tier authorities, and business leaders to come together to consider to form local enterprise partnerships (LEPs) for areas that reflect their natural economic geography;
- anticipates that local enterprise partnerships will wish to provide the strategic leadership in their areas to set out local economic priorities;
- proposes that LEPs rebalance the economy towards the private sector and create a positive environment for business growth; and
- suggests that a prominent business leader should chair the LEP Board but business and civic leaders normally have an equal representation.

7. The available information that underpins the introduction of LEPs is limited, and in the spirit of the new “localism” agenda involved local partnerships setting out how they felt LEPs could operate and the functions they should cover. Meanwhile, the following appear to be significant;

- LEPs should be based on functional economic areas and include at least two top tier authorities, and might have population coverage of 1 million.
- The roles and functions of LEPs will vary significantly, there will no typical LEP, as LEPs have been asked to submit bids that are tailored to their local circumstances. They can be strategic and/ or delivery organisations, and might be involved in selected activities including, inter alia, planning, transport investment, regeneration and housing, enterprise support, tourism, and economic development.
- There is no anticipation from government that the whole of England should be covered by a LEP.
- LEPs are expected to focus on creating the right conditions for business and growth.
- LEPs are also expected to have a key role in implementing the government’s proposed £1b Regional Growth Fund (see paragraph 11 below).

8. ***A Leeds City Region LEP.***

The City of York Council carried out an internal review of linkages between York and its surrounding areas. Overall York’s critical business links, together with connections in the higher education sector, are to the west and the Leeds City Region. Therefore York has reaffirmed its commitment to the Leeds City Region, as its first priority, as part the outline LEP bid to government. This decision is consistent with independent advice from the Centre for Cities, which recommends that York should participate in the LCR with a focus on particular areas of benefit - access to markets, developing the financial and business sector and skills. LCR also has universities with which Science City York can develop stronger, mutually beneficial, relationships. As a government designated Science City, York can bolster its innovation credentials by extended networking and taking its model of business development (supported by private sector representation) to a wider audience. The innovation agenda is one of the principal areas the government believes private sector job creation and growth can occur.

9. ***A York and North Yorkshire LEP.***

Whilst York's interests are principally served by membership of a Leeds City Region LEP, we have recognised that there are potential benefits from joining an additional LEP. York has strong economic links to the North, East and South, particularly through the high levels of net in commuting from settlements in North Yorkshire and East Riding. Therefore York has also joined an outline bid for a York and North Yorkshire LEP. Working with North Yorkshire provides opportunities for;

- seeking wide support for York's transformational economic projects (such as York Central) if York's established role as a major employment hub for the surrounding area (including settlements outside of the Leeds City Region) is to continue.
 - working together formally to ensure that sustainable accessibility into York from surrounding settlements is jointly planned and that there will be support for any available central funding for initiatives such as enhancements to park and ride facilities.
 - a planned approach to employment, housing and transport infrastructure provision.
 - joint work on the tourism agenda recognising that that York is a tourism gateway regionally and to the north generally.
10. Our proposed membership of two LEPs leaves the East Riding of Yorkshire area as an anomaly since whilst the City of York and East Riding local authority boundaries are contiguous, our joint work will not benefit from the formality of working within a LEP framework. The Hull, East Riding and Scarborough outline LEP bid states that the East Riding will continue to work with York recognising that "the impact of York is particularly important in terms of the area's (East Riding) profile as a business and visitor destination, transport connections and as a centre for innovation and research". The bid helpfully trails the option of the East Riding also joining at a future date the York and North Yorkshire LEP "(the) East Riding will work with the York and North Yorkshire LEP, potentially as a full member".

11. *Yorkshire Enterprise Partnership.*

Discussions within sub regional partnerships and also as part of Local Government Yorkshire and Humber (LGYH) have already accepted that there might be areas which are best delivered at the regional level either because they make best use of the Yorkshire brand (tourism marketing for example) or where economies of scale suggest that it would be cost effective to deliver some services jointly (such as research and economic intelligence). A leading group of Yorkshire business persons have come together and presented a proposal for "Yorkshire Enterprise" which is seen as a new organisation that would complement LEPs but which would deliver services on behalf of LEPs. Generally the Yorkshire Enterprise proposals have been welcomed, especially if it brings with it additional expertise and resources and puts in place a vehicle for delivering those activities which, in the view of LEPs, are best delivered either at a regional level or involves the collaboration of more than one LEP. At this stage there have been no firm decision taken on which activities are best delivered at a regional level but the proposals will need careful consideration and integration with LEP Business Plans at the stage beyond the outline submissions.

REGIONAL GROWTH FUND

12. Meanwhile the government has published a consultation paper on the proposed Regional Growth Fund. The Regional Growth Fund (RGF), operating in England, is worth £1b over two years. In the new fiscal climate the Regional Growth Fund is seen as the principal source of central funding to support enterprise, and Local Enterprise Partnerships and other private sector groupings could bid into this fund for mainly capital investment for the period 2011/12 and 2012/2013. The first bids would need to be in by the end of 2010. LEPs and other organisations can bid for RGF resources although it is clear from the guidance that LEPs will have a central role in co-ordinating and prioritising bids within their area. Whilst some RGF will be delivered through a competitive approach the government has asked for views on whether part of the RGF should be delegated to LEPs to support worthwhile initiatives and projects.

NEXT STEPS

13. A White Paper planned for September 2010 should clarify the process and the timetable for the designation of LEPs and also clarify government's thinking on the RGF.
14. Business Plans will be prepared for both the LCR and York/ North Yorkshire LEPs. From a York perspective the following issues seem important;
- That the government's agenda, focusing on private sector investments as a basis for fuelling job growth and only supporting worthwhile investments which demonstrate a market funding gap and justified through cost benefit analysis, should be the driving force for both LEP and RGF activity and therefore future York economic development initiatives.
 - LEPs should be complementary and should avoid duplication. Simplistically the LCR LEP should provide a focus for the innovation agenda and for progressing the business and professional services together with creative and digital, inward investment opportunities and for influencing strategic transport connections and investment (including rail improvements). The York/ North Yorkshire LEP should provide opportunities for tourism development and townscape improvements and support enhancing accessibility to the City.
 - York's dual membership should not distract York from being a strong and influential member of the LCR LEP, which should provide the main opportunity for rebalancing our City economy and delivering the government's agenda.
 - To continue to have discussions with East Riding of Yorkshire Council in relation to the option of East Riding joining the York/ North Yorkshire LEP.
 - That there is clarity as to which economic development initiatives and issue are strategic and therefore should be progressed with the LEP in the lead, and which are local and therefore relevant to the Economic Partnership.

15. There is no commitment to deliver the RGF beyond the first two years, and therefore it is important to maximise its use. As well as the government's focus on levering private sector investment and rebalancing economies away from public sector dependency, it would be helpful if York was to work with partners to ensure that the opportunity is taken to ensure that York's transformational projects are competitive as part of the RGF process.

RECOMMENDATION

16. That the Overview and Scrutiny committee note this report.

Reason: To support corporate and partnership strategic objectives for the local economy.

Contact Details

Author:

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Phone No: 01904 551614

Chief Officer Responsible for the report:

Bill Woolley
Director of City Strategy

**Report
Approved**

Date

Wards Affected:

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers: None

YORK ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

YORK GEOGRAPHIC PROGRAMMES 2009/10 PERFORMANCE

June 2010

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 This report provides an update for members of the Partnership Executive, Local Authorities and other interested partners on the performance of the York Geographic Programme in the financial year 2009/10.
- 1.2 A separate report on the performance of the North Yorkshire Geographic Programme will be made to the York & North Yorkshire Partnership Executive.

2. Background

- 2.1 This report provides detail of performance against 5 major outputs. Businesses Created; Businesses Supported; Jobs Created or Safeguarded; Employment Assistance and Private Sector Leverage. Financial information is contained in Yorkshire Forwards Annual Report, which is currently with Ministers for consideration.
- 2.2 Maps are provided at Annex 2 which show output performance by Local Authority area

3. Output Performance

- 3.1 Table 1 shows the output performance of the York Geographic Programme up to the end of year and compares them to regional totals for the same period.
- 3.2 Yorkshire Forward collects Beneficiary Data about its project outputs (results) from its delivery partners. This allows us to analyze our interventions and monitor that our projects are delivering outputs where they should be. It also helps us understand who is benefiting and in which areas our project are having an impact.
- 3.3 Whilst Yorkshire Forward requires its delivery partners to submit data for all outputs claimed – a small proportion of its outputs are outside the region (for example a project in Sheffield can provide support to businesses just outside the Yorkshire & Humber region) or the data received is invalid (the postcode has been incorrectly written down) - this accounts for the slight difference in totals between the maps and the total outputs claimed.

Table 1 – York Output Performance

| | Businesses Created | Businesses Supported | Jobs Created or Safeguarded | Employment Assistance (by educational institution) | Private Sector Leverage Generated |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|
| York | 59 | 2722.8 | 399 | 1 | 2,863,499 |
| Regional Total at year end | 1821 | 55,442 | 26,281.2 | 10315.5 | 351,523,394 |
| York % of Regional Total | 3.23% | 4.91% | 1.51% | 0.0% | 0.8% |
| Regional Target | 1800 | 45,000 | 23,760 | 7,688 | 236,000,000 |

4. Performance against other Geographic Programmes

4.1 The full year performance of other geographic programmes is set out in Annex 1 of this report. As we have said in the past, direct comparison of geographic programme performance is not appropriate;

5. York Geographic Programme Performance

5.1 The key headlines for the York Geographic Programme –are

- **Businesses Created** – The majority of outputs in this category were delivered through Business Link Yorkshire as well as Science City York supported projects.
- **Businesses Supported** – As expected the majority of these outputs have been delivered through Business Link Yorkshire, although significant outputs have been delivered through the regional Embedding Enterprise Project and more locally through Science City York.
- **Jobs Created/ Safeguarded** – Again, as you would expect the majority of these business creations have been delivered through BLY. Although Science

City York and the international Business Programme had also contributed outputs to this.

6. Projects Supported

6.1 Some key projects and development work which have been supported in 09/10

- Visitor Information Centre in York and Visit York
- University of York/Science City York and FERA
- Assistance to MOD in York to engage employers more positively in employing service leavers. Discussions centred on the high level technical and engineering skills of personnel leaving the forces and potentially available to businesses in York.
- Development of the York Renaissance Team and visioning/masterplanning
- Train to Gain Enhancement funds to businesses in York
- Rural Development Programme for England grants

Yorkshire Forward

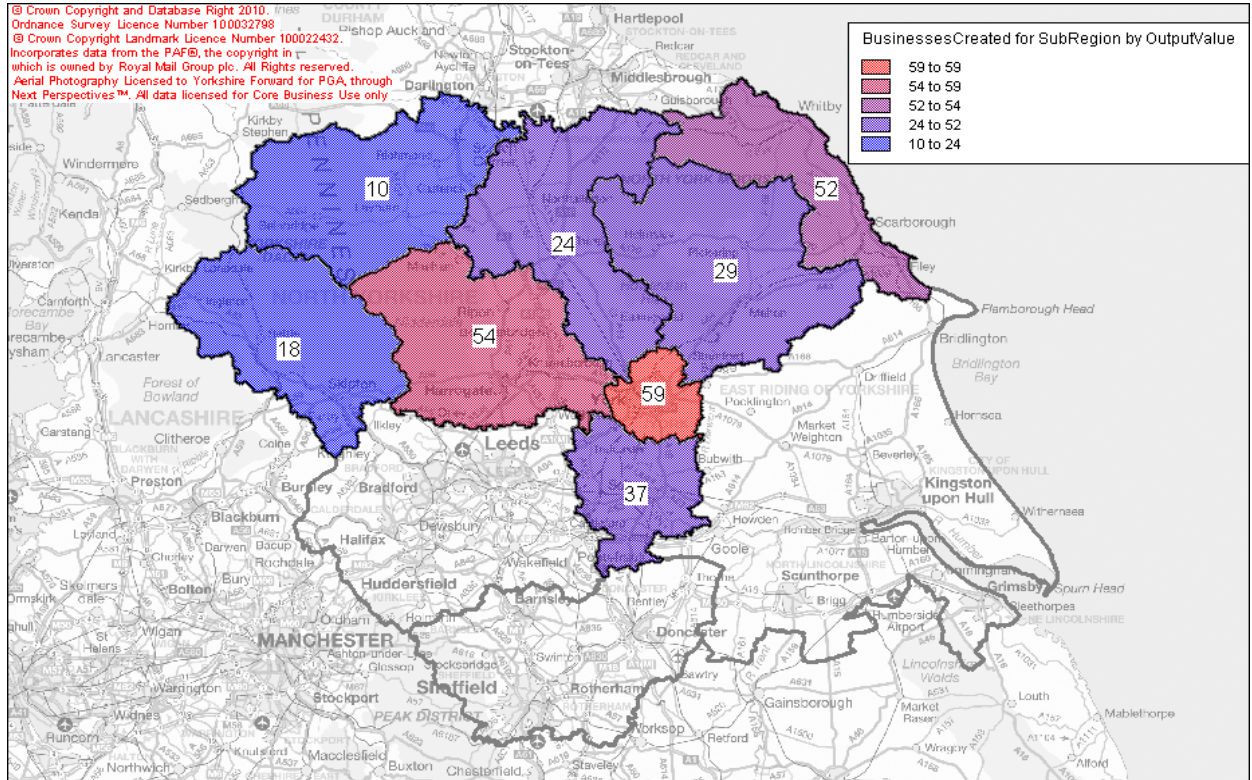
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| District | Businesses Created | Businesses Supported | Jobs Created or Safeguarded | Employment Assistance (by educational institution) | Private Sector Leverage Generated |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Barnsley District | 78 | 1955.7 | 1465.1 | 2 | 28,756,485.5 |
| Bradford District | 125 | 4322.8 | 1845.7 | 711 | 18,122,225.76 |
| Calderdale District | 83 | 2475.3 | 1157.6 | 1887 | 621,536.05 |
| City of Kingston upon Hull | 152 | 2642.1 | 1050.9 | 2185 | 7,405,107.83 |
| Doncaster District | 99 | 2438.3 | 1196 | 80 | 18,434,618.76 |
| East Riding of Yorkshire | 186 | 3887.1 | 1170.6 | 188 | 30,083,035.73 |
| Kirklees District | 124 | 4301.5 | 1869.2 | 1107 | 4,702,249.70 |
| Leeds District | 247 | 8182.6 | 1781.5 | 1912 | 50,139,977.83 |
| North East Lincolnshire | 44 | 1255.8 | 835.5 | 62 | 5,807,279.26 |
| North Lincolnshire | 53 | 1411.8 | 1088.5 | 927 | 28,581,680.39 |
| Rotherham District | 79 | 2152.5 | 1710.3 | 0 | 30,228,502.35 |
| Sheffield District | 191 | 5859.1 | 4703.2 | 52 | 79,948,620.31 |
| Wakefield District | 77 | 2783.9 | 1967.9 | 610 | 36,586,295.08 |
| York | 59 | 2722.8 | 399 | 1 | 2,863,449.101 |
| North Yorkshire | 224 | 9050 | 4040 | 591 | 9,242,330.58 |

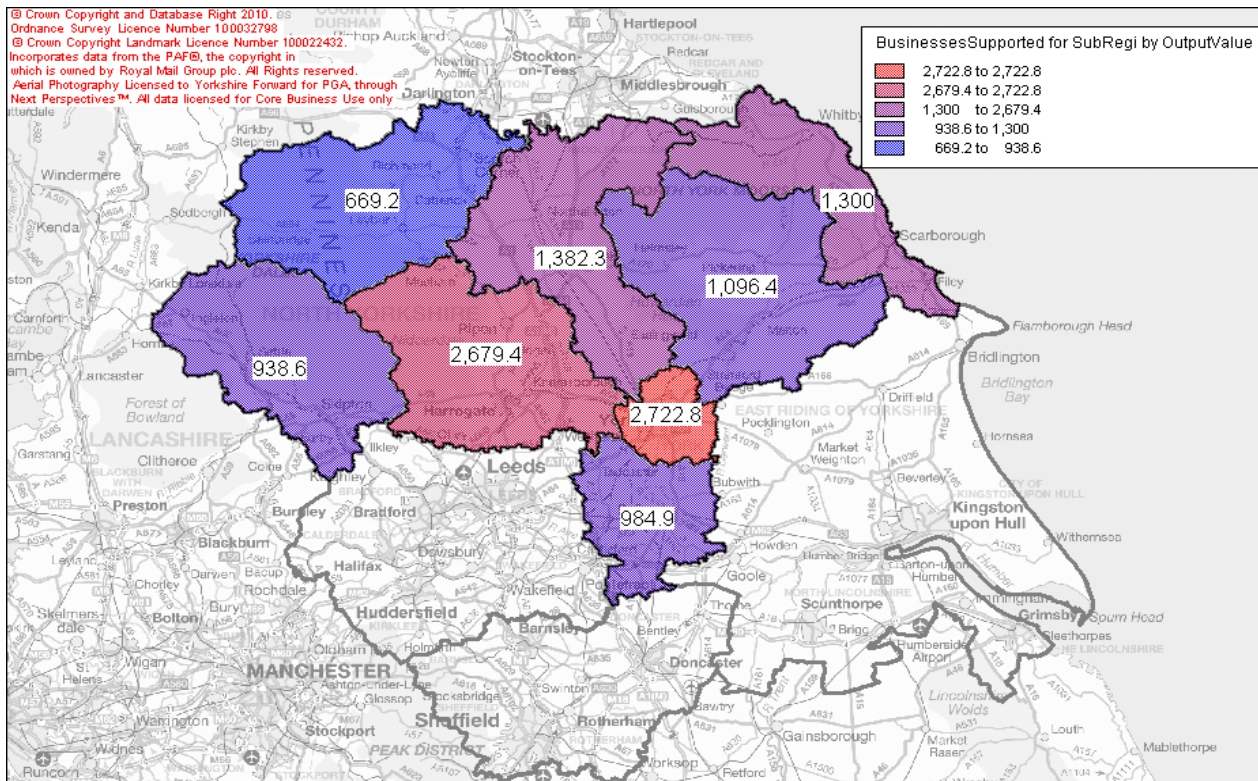
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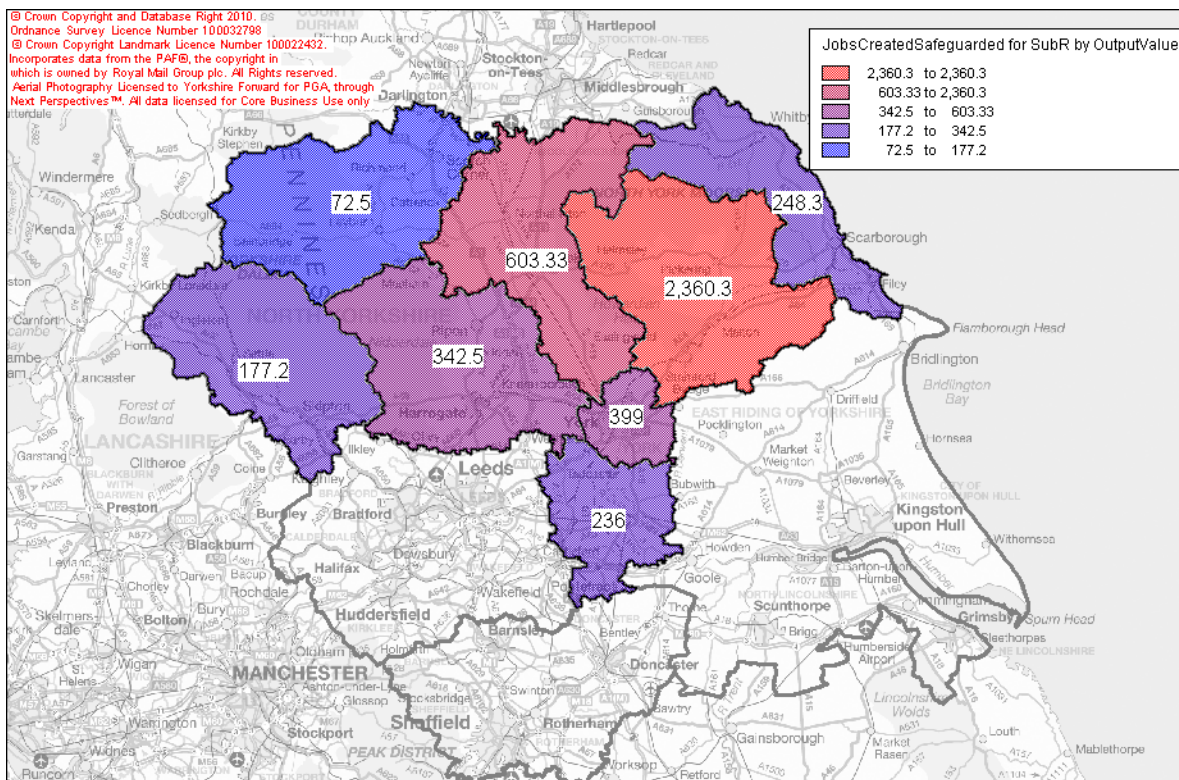
Businesses Created-2009/10 Final Figures



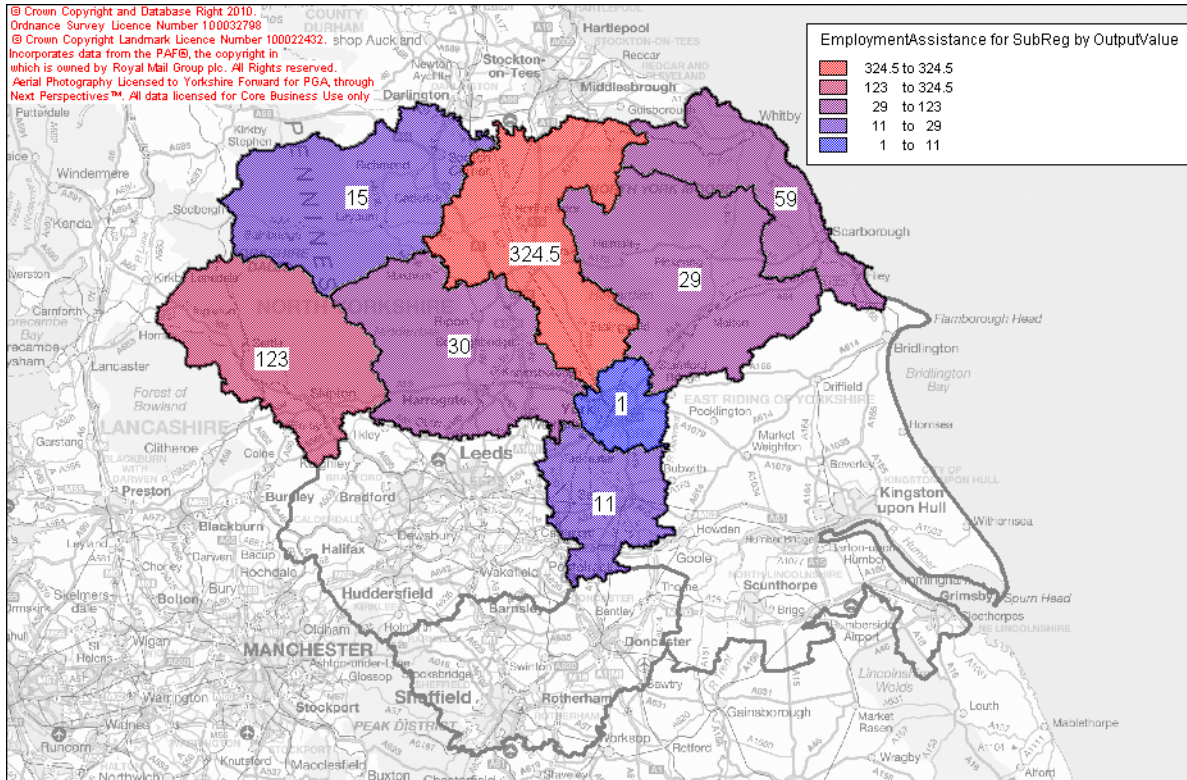
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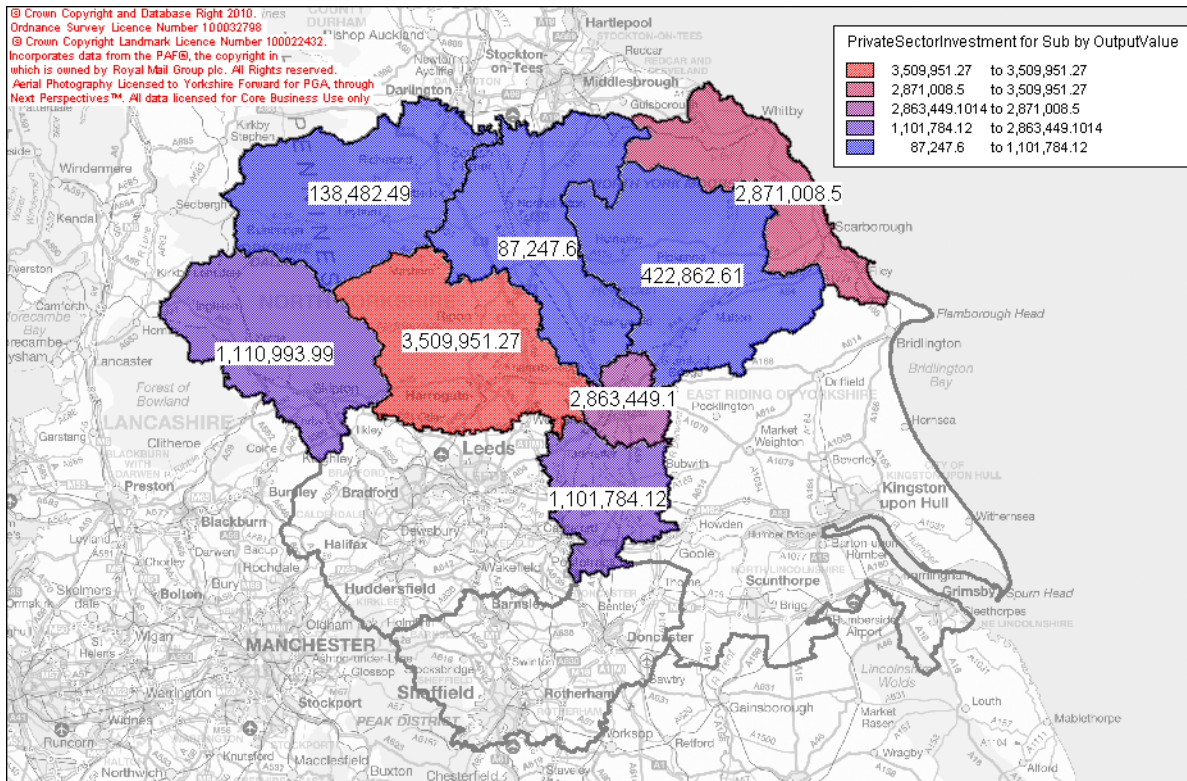
Jobs Created and Safeguarded - 2009/10



People Assisted to Gain Employment (education institution postcodes) in 2009/10



Private Sector Investment Levered -2009/10



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Economic & City Development Overview & Scrutiny Committee Work Plan 2010/11

| Meeting Date | Work Programme |
|-------------------|--|
| 13 July 2010 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2009/10 Year End Outturn Report & Proposals for Corporate Priorities 2. Presentation on the Visit York pilot scheme regarding use of Euros 3. Update on Proposed Scrutiny Topic - Highways Adoption 4. Information/Progress Report on York Northwest 5. Information/Progress Report on Traffic Arrangements at York Railway Station |
| 28 September 2010 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quarter 1 Monitoring Report & Reports 2. Updates on Recommendations from Previous Scrutiny Reviews (Guidance on Sustainable Development & Planning Enforcement) 3. Report on the future of Yorkshire Forward 4. Attendance and/or report of the Leader |
| 2 November 2010 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update on the Broadway Shops Councillor Call for Action 2. Update on Acceptance of Euros - Gillygate Pilot Scheme 3. Final Report – Newgate Market Review 4. Six Monthly Update Report on Major Developments within the City 5. Update Report on Major Transport Initiatives & Issues Arising from them 6. Attendance & Report of the Executive Member for City Strategy |
| 7 December 2010 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quarter 2 Monitoring Report |
| 25 January 2011 | |
| 8 March 2011 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quarter 3 Monitoring Report 2. Annual Report from the LSP Chairs |

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| FORWARD PLAN ITEM | |
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| Meeting: | Executive |
| Meeting Date: | 21/09/10 |
| Item Type: | Executive Decision - of 'Normal' Importance |
| Title of Report: | Cycling City Programme - Progress Report 4 |
| Description: | Purpose of report: To inform the Executive Members of the latest progress in the Cycling City York programme. Members are asked to: Note the report for information. |
| Wards Affected: | |
| Report Writer: | Graham Titchener |
| Lead Member: | |
| Lead Director: | |
| Contact Details: | |
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| Implications | |
| Level of Risk: | 01-03 Acceptable |
| Reason Key: | |
| Making Representations: | Contact Report Author. |
| Process: | N/A |
| Consultees: | N/A |
| Background Documents: | Committee Report for Cycling City Programme - Progress Report 4 |
| Call-In | |
| If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 27/09/10 | |
| <u>Internal Clearance Process</u> | |
| <u>Pre-Decision</u> | |
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| By Strategic Policy Panel (if Required) on: | |

| FORWARD PLAN ITEM | |
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| Meeting: | Executive Member for Neighbourhood Services |
| Meeting Date: | 21/09/10 |
| Keyword: | Housing; |
| Item Type: | Executive Member Decision - of 'Normal' importance |
| Title of Report: | Annual Tenant's Housing Report |
| Description: | Purpose of report: To ask Members to look at the content of the Annual Tenants Housing Report which must be completed and circulated to all housing tenants by no later than the 1st of October 2010. A copy of which has to be submitted to the Tenant Service's Authority (TSA). |
| Wards Affected: | Members are asked to: Consider and approve the content of the report prior to it being circulated to tenants and the TSA. All Wards; |
| Report Writer: | Sharon Brown |
| Deadline for Report: | 07/09/10 |
| Lead Member: | |
| Lead Director: | |
| Contact Details: | |
| Implications | |
| Level of Risk: | 01-03 Acceptable |
| Reason Key: | |
| Making Representations: | Contact Report Author. |
| Process: | N/A |
| Consultees: | N/A |
| Background Documents: | Committee Report for Annual Tenant's Housing Report |
| Call-In | |
| If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 14/06/10 | |
| <u>Internal Clearance Process</u> | |
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| FORWARD PLAN ITEM | |
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| Meeting: | Executive |
| Meeting Date: | 05/10/10 |
| Item Type: | Executive Decision - of 'Normal' Importance |
| Title of Report: | Affordable Housing Viability Study |
| Description: | <p>Purpose of report: To seek Executive Member approval of the recommendations of the 5 July meeting of the Local Development Framework Working Group (LDFWG). This includes:· Approving the study as an LDF Evidence base. Endorsing the Dynamic Model and the Study conclusions for the formulation of the Core Strategy Policy. Adoption of the new affordable housing targets and thresholds, with immediate effect for Development Control purposes</p> <p>Members are asked to: To approve the recommendations of the 5 July LDFWG, as follows:· The Study be approved for publication as part of the LDF evidence base· The principles of the Dynamic Model and the conclusions of the Study be used to formulate the Core Strategy Policy. The Executive adopt the targets and thresholds in the Study for Development Control purposes and the Dynamic Model until the Core Strategy is adopted. To delegate to the Director of City Strategy, in consultation with the Executive Member and Opposition Spokesperson, the making of any incidental changes arising from the recommendation of the LDF Working Group, prior to its publication as part of the Local Development Framework evidence base.</p> |
| Wards Affected: | |
| Report Writer: | Derek Gauld |
| Lead Member: | |
| Lead Director: | |
| Contact Details: | |
| Deadline for Report: | 23/09/10 |
| Implications | |
| Level of Risk: | 04-08 Regular monitoring required |
| Reason Key: | |
| Making Representations: | Contact Report Author. |
| Process: | N/A |
| Consultees: | N/A |
| Background Documents: | Committee Report for Affordable Housing Viability Study |
| Call-In | |

FORWARD PLAN ITEM**Meeting:** Executive**Meeting Date:** 05/10/10**Keyword:****Item Type:** Executive Decision - of 'Normal' Importance**Title of Report:** Response to DfT Consultation 'Reforming Rail Franchising'

Description: Purpose of report: The report will provide details of the Authority's response to the consultation document, due for submission on or before October 18th. This will then be considered by the Government alongside the findings of the Rail value for Money study, to aid formulating the model for the letting of future rail franchises. Conclusions are expected to be published towards the end of 2010.

Members are asked to: Approve the detail of the Authority's response.

Wards Affected:**Report Writer:** Nigel Purssell **Deadline for Report:** 23/09/10**Lead Member:** Councillor Steve Galloway**Lead Director:** Director of City Strategy**Contact Details:** Nigel Purssell

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Implications**Level of Risk:** 04-08 Regular **Reason Key:**
monitoring required**Making Representations:** Contact report author**Process:** N/A**Consultees:** N/A**Background Documents:** Committee Report for Response to DfT Consultation 'Reforming Rail Franchising'**Call-In**

If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 11/10/10

Internal Clearance Process**Pre-Decision**

By Chief Officers at

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By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

| FORWARD PLAN ITEM | |
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| Meeting: | Leader |
| Meeting Date: | 05/10/10 |
| Keyword: | Government, politics and public administration; |
| Item Type: | Executive Member Decision - of 'Normal' importance |
| Title of Report: | Response to Government consultation regarding skills for sustainable growth |
| Description: | <p>Purpose of report: To make comments on behalf of the City of York Council in response to a consultation document issued by the Government regarding future skills policy.</p> <p>Members are asked to: Approve comments on the consultation to be forwarded to Government.</p> |
| Wards Affected: | |
| Report Writer: | Roger Ranson |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Andrew Waller |
| Lead Director: | Director of City Strategy |
| Contact Details: | Roger Ranson |
| | roger.ranson@york.gov.uk |
| Deadline for Report: | 21/09/10 |
| Implications | |
| Level of Risk: | 01-03 Acceptable |
| Reason Key: | |
| Making Representations: | Contact report author |
| Process: | N/A |
| Consultees: | Higher York |
| Background Documents: | Committee Report for Response to Government consultation regarding skills for sustainable growth |
| Call-In | |
| If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 11/10/10 | |
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FORWARD PLAN ITEM**Meeting:** Executive Member for City Strategy**Meeting Date:** 05/10/10**Keyword:****Item Type:** Executive Member Decision - of 'Normal' importance**Title of Report:** City of York Local Transport Plan 3 - Draft Framework LTP3**Description:** Purpose of report: To inform members of the evidence, gathered to prepare the draft Framework LTP3 and present the long term strategy, policy and outline actions to be subject to city-wide consultation in Autumn 2010.

Members are asked to: Note the contents of the report. Approve the recommended option for issuing the draft framework LTP3 for consultation.

Wards Affected:**Report Writer:** Ian Stokes**Deadline for Report:** 21/09/10**Lead Member:****Lead Director:****Contact Details:****Implications****Level of Risk:** 01-03 Acceptable**Reason Key:****Making Representations:** Contact Report Author.**Process:** N/A**Consultees:** N/A**Background Documents:** Committee Report for City of York Local Transport Plan 3 - Draft Framework LTP3**Call-In**

If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 11/10/10

Internal Clearance ProcessPre-Decision

By Chief Officers at

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By Political Group Leaders on:

By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

Post-Decision

By Strategic Policy Panel (if Required) on:

FORWARD PLAN ITEM**Meeting:** Executive Member for City Strategy**Meeting Date:** 05/10/10**Keyword:****Item Type:** Executive Member Decision - of 'Normal' importance**Title of Report:** Response to OfT Consultation 'Public Transport Ticketing Block exemption' review**Description:** Purpose of report: The report will provide details of the Authority's response to the consultation document, due for submission on or before October 20th. This will then be considered by the Office of Fair Trading prior to making a decision whether or not to recommend extending the existing PTTS Block Exemption for a further five years. The OfT will make a recommendation to the Secretary of State before the end of 2010.

Members are asked to: Approve the detail of the Authority's response.

Wards Affected:**Report Writer:** Andrew Bradley **Deadline for Report:** 21/09/10
Lead Member: Councillor Steve Galloway
Lead Director: Director of City Strategy
Contact Details: Andrew Bradley, Principal Transport Planner, City Strategy

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Implications**Level of Risk:** 01-03 Acceptable **Reason Key:****Making Representations:** Contact report author**Process:** N/A**Consultees:** N/A**Background Documents:** Committee Report for Response to OfT Consultation 'Public Transport Ticketing Block exemption' review**Call-In**

If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 11/10/10

Internal Clearance Process**Pre-Decision**

By Chief Officers at

on:

By Political Group Leaders on:

By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

FORWARD PLAN ITEM**Meeting:** Executive Member for City Strategy**Meeting Date:** 05/10/10**Keyword:****Item Type:** Executive Member Decision - of 'Normal' importance**Title of Report:** Review of First Group bus routes 13 and 13A**Description:** Purpose of report: Follows on from a petition received from residents regarding the changes to routeing and timetables of route 13 and withdrawal of route 13A proposed by First Group. The report will provide the results of a review of the existing provision and present options for the future operation of bus routes in the affected areas

Members are asked to: Approve one of the options put forward for ongoing provision of bus services.

Wards Affected:**Report Writer:** Andrew Bradley**Deadline for Report:** 21/09/10**Lead Member:****Lead Director:****Contact Details:****Implications****Level of Risk:** 04-08 Regular
monitoring required**Reason Key:****Making Representations:** Contact Report Author.**Process:** N/A**Consultees:** N/A**Background Documents:** Committee Report for Review of First Group bus routes 13 and 13A**Call-In**

If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 25/10/10

Internal Clearance Process**Pre-Decision**

By Chief Officers at

on:

By Political Group Leaders on:

By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

Post-Decision

FORWARD PLAN ITEM**Meeting:** Executive**Meeting Date:** 19/10/10**Keyword:****Item Type:** Executive Decision - of 'Normal' Importance**Title of Report:** The Climate Change Framework and Climate Change Action Plan for York - finalised drafts and implementation plan**Description:** Purpose of report: The report will outline the consultation responses, the revised drafts of the Climate Change Framework (2010-15) and climate Change Action Plan (2010-2013). Also outline the implementation plan and monitoring strategy as well as outlining the supporting communication strategy.

Members are asked to: Approve for implementation the finalised versions of the Climate Change Framework and Climate Change Action Plan for York.

Wards Affected:**Report Writer:** David Warburton**Deadline for Report:** 07/10/10**Lead Member:****Lead Director:****Contact Details:****Implications****Level of Risk:** 04-08 Regular monitoring required**Reason Key:****Making Representations:** Contact Report Author.**Process:** N/A**Consultees:** N/A**Background Documents:** Committee Report for The Climate Change Framework and Climate Change Action Plan for York - finalised drafts and implementation plan**Call-In**

If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 25/10/10

Internal Clearance Process**Pre-Decision**

By Chief Officers at

on:

By Political Group Leaders on:

By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

FORWARD PLAN ITEM

Meeting: Executive

Meeting Date: 19/10/10

Keyword:

Item Type: Executive Decision - of 'Normal' Importance

Title of Report: York Renaissance

Description: Purpose of report: To acknowledge receipt of the final draft report including high level officer views and recommend the report is circulated for wider public consultation.

REPORT DEFERRED as a final draft report has yet to be received from the consultants to allow officer and members comments to be incorporated.

Members are asked to: Note receipt of report and endorse the recommendations.

Wards Affected:

Report Writer: Derek Gauld

Deadline for Report: 07/10/10

Lead Member:

Lead Director:

Contact Details:

Implications

Level of Risk: 04-08 Regular monitoring required

Reason Key:

Making Representations: Contact Report Author.

Process: N/A

Consultees: N/A

Background Documents: Committee Report for York Renaissance

Call-In

If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 25/10/10

Internal Clearance Process

Pre-Decision

By Chief Officers at

on:

By Political Group Leaders on:

By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

FORWARD PLAN ITEM

Meeting: Executive

Meeting Date: 02/11/10

Keyword: Health, well-being and care;

Item Type: Executive Decision - of 'Normal' Importance

Title of Report: Childhood Obesity Scrutiny Review Final Report

Description: Purpose of report: To present the Executive with the final report arising from the Childhood Obesity Scrutiny Review

Members are asked to: Approve the recommendations arising from the review

Wards Affected: All Wards;

Report Writer: Tracy Wallis

Deadline for Report: 21/10/10

Lead Member: Councillor Barbara Boyce

Lead Director: Director of Adults, Children & Education

Contact Details: Tracy Wallis
Tel: 01904 552062
tracy.wallis@york.gov.uk

Implications: Financial

Level of Risk: 01-03 Acceptable

Reason Key:

Making Representations: Contact report author.

Process:

Consultees:

Background Documents: Committee Report for Childhood Obesity Scrutiny Review Final Report

Call-In

If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 08/11/10

Internal Clearance Process

Pre-Decision

By Chief Officers at

on:

By Political Group Leaders on:

By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

Post-Decision

By Strategic Policy Panel (if Required) on:

| FORWARD PLAN ITEM | |
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| Meeting: | Executive |
| Meeting Date: | 02/11/10 |
| Item Type: | Executive Decision - of 'Normal' Importance |
| Title of Report: | Proposed Sale of Mansfield Street Garage, off Foss Islands Road, York |
| Description: | <p>Purpose of report: The above property is a former garage, originally acquired for a road improvement scheme which did not proceed. It is about 200 sq m floor area, and has been let within the Commercial Portfolio since transferring from the County Council to City of York in 1996. It is now vacant. On remarketing, interest was expressed in purchasing the building, and this has been considered due to the need to find capital receipts, because the building may require substantial repair works in the future, and because the offers to purchase are potentially more financially advantageous compared to re-letting.</p> <p>Members are asked to: Decide whether to accept any bid to sell the property as opposed to a re-letting.</p> |
| Wards Affected: | |
| Report Writer: | David Baren |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Andrew Waller |
| Lead Director: | Director of City Strategy |
| Contact Details: | David Baren |
| | david.baren@york.gov.uk |
| Implications | Financial |
| Level of Risk: | 04-08 Regular monitoring required |
| Reason Key: | |
| Making Representations: | Contact report author |
| Process: | N/A |
| Consultees: | N/A |
| Background Documents: | Committee Report for Proposed Sale of Mansfield Street Garage, off Foss Islands Road, York |
| Call-In | |
| | If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 08/11/10 |
| <u>Internal Clearance Process</u> | |
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| By Political Group Leaders on: | |

| FORWARD PLAN ITEM | |
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| Meeting: | Executive Member for City Strategy |
| Meeting Date: | 02/11/10 |
| Keyword: | Transport; |
| Item Type: | Executive Member Decision - of 'Normal' importance |
| Title of Report: | 20mph petition - Danesmead and Fulford Cross |
| Description: | Purpose of report: A petition has been received requesting a 20mph speed limit on Danesmead and Fulford Cross in the vicinity of the Steiner School. The report will refer to the results of the speed surveys conducted and consider the petition request in line with the list of prioritised schemes. |
| Wards Affected: | Members are asked to: Approve the recommendations in relation to the petition request. Fishergate Ward; |
| Report Writer: | Ruth Stephenson |
| Deadline for Report: | 19/10/10 |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Steve Galloway |
| Lead Director: | Director of City Strategy |
| Contact Details: | Ruth Stephenson ruth.stephenson@york.gov.uk |
| Implications | Highways |
| Level of Risk: | 01-03 Acceptable |
| Reason Key: | |
| Making Representations: | Contact report author |
| Process: | N/A |
| Consultees: | N/A |
| Background Documents: | Committee Report for 20mph petition - Danesmead and Fulford Cross |
| Call-In | |
| | If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 08/11/10 |
| <u>Internal Clearance Process</u> | |
| <u>Pre-Decision</u> | |
| By Chief Officers at | on: |
| By Political Group Leaders on: | |
| By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on: | |
| <u>Post-Decision</u> | |
| By Strategic Policy Panel (if Required) on: | |

Call-In**Internal Clearance Process**Pre-Decision

By Chief Officers at

on:

By Political Group Leaders on:

By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

Post-Decision

By Strategic Policy Panel (if Required) on:

FORWARD PLAN ITEM**Meeting:** Executive Member for City Strategy**Meeting Date:** 02/11/10**Keyword:** Transport;**Item Type:** Executive Member Decision - of 'Normal' importance**Title of Report:** 20 mph petition - Almsford Drive**Description:** Purpose of report: A petition has been received requesting a 20mph zone/speed limit on Almsford Drive. The report will refer to the results of the speed surveys conducted and consider the petition request in line with the list of prioritised schemes.

Members are asked to: Approve the recommendations in relation to the petition request.

Wards Affected: Acomb Ward;**Report Writer:** Ruth Stephenson **Deadline for Report:** 19/10/10**Lead Member:** Councillor Steve Galloway**Lead Director:** Director of City Strategy**Contact Details:** Ruth Stephenson

ruth.stephenson@york.gov.uk

Implications Highways**Level of Risk:** 01-03 Acceptable **Reason Key:****Making Representations:** Contact report author**Process:** N/A**Consultees:** N/A**Background Documents:** Committee Report for 20 mph petition - Almsford Drive**Call-In**

If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will 08/11/10 be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on:

Internal Clearance Process**Pre-Decision**

By Chief Officers at

on:

By Political Group Leaders on:

By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

Post-Decision

By Strategic Policy Panel (if Required) on:

FORWARD PLAN ITEM**Meeting:** Executive**Meeting Date:** 16/11/10**Keyword:****Item Type:** Executive Decision - of 'Normal' Importance**Title of Report:** Development Management - Planning and Development advice**Description:** Purpose of report: The formalisation of arrangements to provide planning and development advice is a key element of the new Development Management service. The proposed changes will impact on applicants and developers. It is envisaged that the proposed new arrangements including fees/charges would come into effect from 1 January 2011.

Members are asked to: To note the proposed changes to the Development Management service and to approve fee/charges for the provision of advice in relation to planning and development.

Wards Affected:**Report Writer:** Michael Slater **Deadline for Report:** 04/11/10**Lead Member:** Councillor Steve Galloway**Lead Director:** Director of City Strategy**Contact Details:** Michael Slater, Assistant Director

michael.slater@york.gov.uk

Implications Planning**Level of Risk:** 04-08 Regular **Reason Key:**
monitoring required**Making Representations:** Contact report author.**Process:****Consultees:** N/A**Background Documents:** Committee Report for Development Management - Planning and Development advice**Call-In**If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will 22/11/10
be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on:**Internal Clearance Process****Pre-Decision**

By Chief Officers at

on:

By Political Group Leaders on:

By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on:

| FORWARD PLAN ITEM | |
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| Meeting: | Executive |
| Meeting Date: | 16/11/10 |
| Item Type: | Executive Decision - of 'Normal' Importance |
| Title of Report: | Affordable Housing Viability Study (AHVS) |
| Description: | Purpose of report: To seek final approval of the Affordable Housing Viability Study following the progress report on 5 October 2010. Members are asked to: Approve the final report. |
| Wards Affected: | |
| Report Writer: | Derek Gauld |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Steve Galloway |
| Lead Director: | Director of City Strategy |
| Contact Details: | Derek Gauld derek.gauld@york.gov.uk |
| Deadline for Report: | 04/11/10 |
| Implications | |
| Level of Risk: | 04-08 Regular monitoring required |
| Reason Key: | Contact report author |
| Making Representations: | |
| Process: | N/A |
| Consultees: | N/A |
| Background Documents: | Committee Report for Affordable Housing Viability Study (AHVS) |
| Call-In | |
| If this item is called-in either pre or post decision, it will be considered by Scrutiny Management Committee on: 22/11/10 | |
| <u>Internal Clearance Process</u> | |
| <u>Pre-Decision</u> | |
| By Chief Officers at | on: |
| By Political Group Leaders on: | |
| By Strategic Policy Panel (if required) on: | |
| <u>Post-Decision</u> | |
| By Strategic Policy Panel (if Required) on: | |

FORWARD PLAN ITEM

Meeting: Executive

Meeting Date: 16/11/10

Keyword: Housing; Adult Social Care; Health; Crime & Disorder; Environment; Property; Life in the community; Health, well-being and care; Executive Decision - a 'Key Issue' - decision leading to savings or expenditure of £500,000 or above;

Item Type: Executive Decision - a 'Key Issue' - decision with significant effects on communities

Title of Report: North Yorkshire and York Sub Regional Housing Strategy

Description: Purpose of report: To advise members on North Yorkshire and York Sub Regional Housing Strategy housing priorities and ambitions covering the period 2010 - 2015.

Members are asked to: Approve the strategic priorities and action plan.

Wards Affected: All Wards;

Report Writer: Paul McCabe **Deadline for Report:** 02/11/10

Lead Member: Councillor Andrew Waller

Lead Director: Director of Communities & Neighbourhoods

Contact Details: Paul McCabe

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Implications C&C

Level of Risk: 01-03 Acceptable

Reason Key: A decision which is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure, or making savings which are significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates. The savings or expenditure are significant if they are equal to or greater than £500,000 or equal to or greater than £100,000 where the savings or expenditure exceeds 10% of the budget for the service plan area whichever is the less.

FORWARD PLAN ITEM

Meeting: Executive

Meeting Date: 16/11/10

Keyword: Housing; Crime & Disorder; Environment; Property; Life in the community; Health, well-being and care; Executive Decision - a 'Key Issue' - decision leading to savings or expenditure of £500,000 or above;

Item Type: Executive Decision - a 'Key Issue' - decision with significant effects on communities

Title of Report: York's Housing Strategy

Description: Purpose of report: To advise members on York's housing priorities and ambitions covering the period 2010 - 2013.

Members are asked to: Approve the strategic priorities and Action plan.

Wards Affected: All Wards;

Report Writer: Paul McCabe

Deadline for Report: 02/11/10

Lead Member: Councillor Andrew Waller

Lead Director: Director of Communities & Neighbourhoods

Contact Details: Paul McCabe

paul.mccabe@york.gov.uk

Implications C&C

Level of Risk: 01-03 Acceptable

Reason Key: A decision which is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure, or making savings which are significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates. The savings or expenditure are significant if they are equal to or greater than £500,000 or equal to or greater than £100,000 where the savings or expenditure exceeds 10% of the budget for the service plan area whichever is the less. Expenditure in excess of these levels will not

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Meeting: Executive

Meeting Date: 16/11/10

Keyword: Housing; Adult Social Care; Health; Crime & Disorder; Environment; Property; Life in the community; Health, well-being and care; Executive Decision - a 'Key Issue' - decision leading to savings or expenditure of £500,000 or above;

Item Type: Executive Decision - a 'Key Issue' - decision with significant effects on communities

Title of Report: York's Older Person Housing Strategy

Description: Purpose of report: To advise members on York's Older Person housing priorities and ambitions covering the period 2010 - 2013.

Members are asked to: Approve the strategic priorities and action plan.

Wards Affected: All Wards;

Report Writer: Paul McCabe

Deadline for Report: 02/11/10

Lead Member: Councillor Andrew Waller

Lead Director: Director of Communities & Neighbourhoods

Contact Details: Paul McCabe

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Implications C&C

Level of Risk: 01-03 Acceptable

Reason Key: A decision which is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure, or making savings which are significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates. The savings or expenditure are significant if they are equal to or greater than £500,000 or equal to or greater than £100,000 where the savings or expenditure exceeds 10% of the budget for the service plan area whichever is the less. Expenditure in excess of

FORWARD PLAN ITEM

Meeting: Executive

Meeting Date: 30/11/10

Keyword: Housing; Health; Transport; Education; Crime & Disorder; Environment; Employment, jobs and careers; Health, well-being and care; Transport and infrastructure; Education and skills; Executive Decision - a 'Key Issue' - decision leading to savings or expenditure of £500,000 or above;

Item Type: Executive Decision - a 'Key Issue' - decision with significant effects on communities

Title of Report: York Local Investment Plan

Description: Purpose of report: To advise members on York's Local Investment Plan which sets out York's housing and regeneration priorities to be considered by the Homes and Communities Agency for funding.

Members are asked to: Agree the priorities set out in the plan.

Wards Affected: All Wards;

Report Writer: Sharon Brown, Steve Waddington **Deadline for Report:** 16/11/10

Lead Member: Councillor Andrew Waller

Lead Director: Director of Communities & Neighbourhoods

Contact Details: Sharon Brown, Steve Waddington

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Implications

Level of Risk: 01-03 Acceptable

Reason Key: A decision which is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure, or making savings which are significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates. The savings or expenditure are significant if they are equal to or greater than £500,000 or equal to or greater than £100,000 where the