Meeting Decision Session - Cabinet Member for

Transport

Date 7 August 2014

Present Councillor Levene

In Attendance Councillor D'Agorne

6. Declarations of Interest

At this point in the meeting, the Cabinet Member is asked to declare any personal, prejudicial or pecuniary interests he may have in the business on the agenda. None were declared.

7. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the decision session held

on 29th May be approved and signed by the

Cabinet Member as a correct record.

8. Public Participation - Decision Session

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

9. Burdyke Avenue Improvement Scheme

Consideration was given to a report which outlined the details of a petition submitted by residents for improvements to Burdyke Avenue.

Officers outlined the report, the key points were as follows:

- Burdyke Avenue carries high volumes of traffic in relation to its width and kerbside development due to being on the route of two bus services and being a through route between Burton Green and Water Lane.
- Buses are frequently held up, residents complain about parked cars and vans being struck and grass verges are being damaged.

 A 103 signature petition had been submitted by residents requesting action and the bus companies had also identified Burdyke Avenue as area where services are experiencing delays.

The Cabinet Member commented that he was happy to agree the recommendations to enable officers to commence work on an improvement scheme.

Resolved: That the Cabinet Member:

 Approved the addition of the Burdyke Avenue Improvement Scheme to the Capital Programme and vests delegated powers in City of York Council (CYC) Sustainable Transport Officers to commence work on the scheme.

Reason: To enable officers to commence design and consultation on the scheme with a view to delivering it within the current financial year.

ii. Agreed to a further report be brought to him, Cabinet Member for Transport, after consultation.

Reason: To recommend and agree a final design.

10. Proposed University Road Pedestrian Crossing Improvements and Cycle Route.

Consideration was given to a report which discussed the outcome of detailed design work and public consultation on proposals to improve facilities for pedestrians crossing University Road by the implementation of a number of safety measures

The Cabinet Member was pleased to see the scheme coming forward which would address traffic calming issues and especially in terms of the safety improvements.

The Cabinet Member noted the comments made via email from the organisers of the York Marathon and agreed that Officers should work with the organisers to ensure minimal disruption to participants and spectators.

Resolved: That the Cabinet Member:

> Approved the revised scheme shown in Annex B for implementation, including the making of a Traffic Regulation Order covering the 20mph Zone. This is subject to the University of York giving a firm commitment to install additional set of steps on the Market Square side of University Road as a second phase of works to be undertaken in 2015.

Reason:

Officers consider that the scheme will improve safety of pedestrians, in university students crossing University Road. The revised proposals in Annex B include some key changes in response to consultation and detailed design. These include a reduction in the number of speed cushions, and the provision of additional steps to the Library footbridge (to be delivered by the University as a second phase) to offer a more desirable access to the bridge from the bus stops.