

## **EXECUTIVE**

**THURSDAY 18 MAY 2017**

### **DECISIONS**

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Executive meeting held on Thursday 18 May 2017. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than 4pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Carol Tague (01904 552094 or [carol.tague@york.gov.uk](mailto:carol.tague@york.gov.uk)).

#### **6. SCIENCE CITY YORK**

Resolved: That the Executive accept the recommendation of the Shareholder Committee to agree to the Council withdrawing from membership of Science City York.

Reason: To facilitate the residual Science City Funds transferring to Make It York.

#### **7. HIGHWAYS FUNDING OVERVIEW**

Resolved: That the Executive agree to:

- (i) Approve the proposed allocation of funding as detailed in the report and annex.
- (ii) Delegate to the appropriate Executive Members the implementation of decisions as proposed in the report.
- (iii) Delegate to the Corporate Director of Economy and Place to proceed with the schemes as outlined in the report.

Reason: To implement the councils transport policy identified in York's third Local Transport Plan, deliver innovative and effective approaches to highway asset management, grow the economy and provide wide ranging improvements to the built and natural environment across the City.

**8. BUDGET 2017 DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF POLICY & ENTERPRISE ZONE POLICY**

Resolved: That the Executive approves:

- a) The new policy at Annex A of the report for discretionary rate relief for those businesses hardest hit by the business rate revaluation as set out in the Government Spring Budget 2017;
- b) The new policy at Annex B for business rate relief in respect of the York Central Enterprise Zone;
- c) That minor changes can be made (Paragraph 22 of the report) to either policy (Annex A & B) by the Director of Customer & Corporate Services in consultation with the Executive Member for Finance & Performance.

- Reason:
- a) To provide a transparent process for awarding discretionary rate relief and supporting local businesses.
  - b) To provide a transparent process to encourage businesses to relocate to the Enterprise Zone and grow the York economy.
  - c) To provide flexibility to amend either scheme quickly if required without fundamentally altering the purpose of the policies.

**9. SHARED OWNERSHIP AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMME**

Resolved: That the Executive:

- a) Accepts the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) grant award of £2.76m, for the delivery of 65 Shared Ownership homes.
- b) Recommends to Council a budget of £5.52m for the scheme funded from the HCA grant (£2.76m) and the HRA investment reserve (£2.76m)

Reason: So that the Council can formally accept the HCA investment and deliver this affordable home ownership programme as part of the Council's ambition to deliver a wider range of tenure products to meet the housing needs of the city.

**10. PARK & RIDE OPERATOR PROCUREMENT**

Resolved: That the Executive approves Option A outlined within the report.

Subject to minor amendments as the result of clarification of terms, the Executive:

- a) Agrees to delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Economy and Place to enter in to contract with the proposed supplier for the provision of Park & Ride services;.
- b) Agrees to the option for overnight parking arrangements at the Askham Bar and Monks Cross Park & Ride sites;
- c) Rejects at this time the options to extend the hours of site supervision or to provide extended evening Park & Ride bus services;
- d) Delegates authority to the Corporate Director of Economy and Place for the procurement of a maximum of five days of additional Sunday opening hours to cater for

special events on a case by case basis in consultation with the Executive Member for Transport and Planning.

- e) Notes the additional future years costs (£85k) will be incorporated as growth within the budget that Council will consider in February 2018.
- f) Agrees that In light of recent Government statements on funding for local authorities for low emission and electric vehicles, the Corporate Director of Economy and Place ensures that the Council works with its' contractor to obtain any funding opportunities that arise within the contract term to minimise the environmental impacts of the Park and Ride Service.

Reason:

This course of action will ensure that the continued successful operation of the York Park & Ride network is guaranteed and which balances the Council's ambitions for improvement with a financially sustainable operating model.