

Executive Member for Transport and Planning

Economy & Place Policy Development – 27 September @ 5:30pm

Policy development Priorities

- **Strategic Planning Framework**

Local Plan for York City

Joint minerals and waste plan with County Council and North York

Moors National Park

13 Neighbourhood Plan (in various stages)

These plans form the strategic vision of the physical environment for the City over the next 20 years. Whilst part of their development there are a variety of Impact Assessments, e.g. Transport, Environment as these frameworks progress towards adoption the Council will need to start to plan for the practical delivery and regulatory interventions to make these frameworks successful. So reviews of Council Policies such as the Local Transport plan will need to start in the medium term.

- **York Central**

Access solution – role of partnership in defining access option and the Councils decisions regarding funding, this is time constrained

Funding all due for delivery by 2021

This time frame also applies to the Front of the station with the WYCA project having major dependencies with York Central scheme and potential future development of the station itself which is not yet funded.

York Central as the most significant development project that the City has seen and is likely to see in many years is a key area of focus from a policy perspective. Ensuring delivery is paramount but delivering a quality place for residents and business is key, so our partnership role in the development of a commercially viable master plan will need to be balanced and sit alongside our funding and Statutory roles in transport and planning.

- **Transport Funding**

Lack of clarity over Better Bus Fund

National - Housing Infrastructure Fund – bids by Sept 2017

National - Transport Investment Fund

Access funding

DfT Innovation Funding

DfT Challenge Funding

Funding from the WYCA Transport fund (£85 million) is currently our most significant project funding both York Central and the Outer Ring Road. However there are a many more individual funding streams for current Transport initiatives and we have a number of transport bids that we are either awaiting a decision on or are due to submit over the summer. Whilst these funding streams are welcome and we align our bid submissions to our Local Transport Plan the hand to mouth and specific nature of these funds does means our activities are often guided by available funding.

- **Castle Gateway**

Master-planning is underway, access and movement and parking are key issues. Work due to conclude in the autumn for a decision to Exec December 17

Revitalising this area both economically and visually is a key priority as the area underperforms considering its location and iconic assets. However making decisions on this project will have a significant impact on the City's overall parking strategy as this location is the most popular of all of the Councils car parks.

- **City Wide Review of Parking**

Disabled Parking in the City Centre
Strategic Approach to Residential Parking
How to collect better parking data

Following on from the Castle gateway decisions we will then be able to consider how to address the rest of the Councils car parking estate. Parking however goes beyond the Councils car park estate and residential parking, parking data, private sector car parking capacity and the Park and ride will all need to be taken into account in any future review.

- **Development Services**

Development Management (planning and related applications)
Building Control – responding to recent request for report regarding fire safety issues – particularly high rise buildings)
Land Charge Searches

The announcement of the review of Building regulations following the Grenfell disaster may have significant impacts on the nature of this

service and will follow the decision taken by the Council to raise planning fees by 20% subject to legislation. The proposed rise in fees is we understand to be solely used to fund investment into the planning function and improving the service and customer experience will be key objectives of this funding.