

OFFICER DECISION – URGENT SCHEME OF DELEGATION

Decision: COVID 19 - To re-open public toilets					
Date of Decision: 8/6/2020					
Type of Decision:		Key		Non-Key	x
Please tick one of the following:					
<u>Reason for this being a Key Decision:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involves significant expenditure or saving; • Is significant in terms of its effects on communities (eg will effect one or more Wards); • Decision Maker is acting under emergency powers; • Decision maker is entitled to make a Key Decision as part of delivery of non-contentious operational business 					
<u>Reason for this not being a Key Decision:</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acting under the Officer Scheme of Delegation in accordance with the Constitution 					
Portfolio Area that decision relates to:					
<i>It is assumed that all portfolio areas are affected unless stated otherwise.</i>					
Leader (inc Policy, Strategy and Partnerships)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Health and Adult Social Care	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Transport	<input type="checkbox"/>	Culture, Leisure & Communities	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Finance and Performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Economy and Strategic Planning	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Housing and Safer Neighbourhoods	<input type="checkbox"/>	Environment and Climate Change	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Children, Young People and Education	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Implications:		Equalities		Other:	
Crime & Disorder	<input type="checkbox"/>	Legal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Highways	<input type="checkbox"/>
Human Resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	ICT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Property	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Financial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

Wards Affected:

All Wards		Fishergate	x	Holgate	x	Rural West York	
Acomb	x	Fulford & Heslington		Hull Road		Strensall	
Bishopthorpe		Guildhall	x	Huntington & New Earswick		Westfield	
Clifton		Haxby & Wigginton	x	Micklegate	x	Wheldrake	
Copmanthorpe		Heworth		Osbalwick & Derwent			
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe		Heworth Without		Rawcliffe & Clifton			

Comments/Observations:**Consultation:**

Prior to making the decision the Deputy Chief Executive will proactively consult with the following:

- Leader of the Council (and in his absence the Deputy Leader of the Council)
- Chief Finance Officer (s151 Officer)
- Chief Legal Officer (Monitoring Officer)
- Head of HR & OD (where relevant and appropriate)
- Director of Public Health (where relevant and appropriate)

Comments received:

[please note those received from officers may be included within the report]

Leader of the Council (and in his absence the Deputy Leader of the Council):

No comment.

Chief Finance Officer (s151 Officer):

There will be one off costs of £4.1k in reopening the toilets to fund alterations to the hand drying facilities. There will also be ongoing additional costs of £1.2k per week for additional cleaning requirements. The one-off costs and first few months of ongoing cleaning costs can be funded from the reopening the High Streets Fund (£20k). Should the regime continue into the Autumn further funding will need to be identified.

Chief Legal Officer (Monitoring Officer):

The contract with the current service provider will be amended in accordance with Council's Contract Procedure Rules to take account of the enhanced hygiene regime in place and capture the additional costs outlined in the Chief Finance Officer's comments.

Head of HR & OD (where relevant and appropriate): No comment.

Director of Public Health (where relevant and appropriate): No comment.

Decision:

To reopen all council provided public toilets.

This will be reviewed in line with changes to COVID Alert levels

Reason for the Decision:

To implement the council's Covid Recovery plan. This action is part of the council's Covid Economic Recovery Transport and Place Strategy to reopen the city centre whilst enabling social distancing

Public Toilets will be reopened with a supplemented hygiene regime in place including contactless towel dispensers and door sensors with increased frequency of cleaning.

Decision Made by: Ian Floyd, Deputy Chief Executive

Contact Details:

To be implemented by: Russell Stone

On Completion:

Date: 09.06.20

Completed decision noted by Monitoring Officer

PLEASE NOTE: This decision will be reported retrospectively to the relevant committee as and when it is appropriate to do so.

In the meantime, this decision will be reported as a Leader or Officer Decision on the Council's website.