

# Young People's Working Group

22 July 2009

Report of the Head of Civic, Democratic and Legal Services

# Appointment of the Young People's Champion to the Young People's Working Group

#### Summary

1. This report informs Members of the Executive's response to the recommendation made at the last meeting that the membership of the Young People's Working Group be increased to include the Young People's Champion. It asks Members to consider the Executive's suggestion that the Champion be appointed as a non-voting, co-opted member of the Group.

## Background

- 2. Under the Council's Constitution, the role of Working Groups is to advise the Executive on issues within their particular remits. To that end, the minutes of Working Groups are reported to the Executive on a regular basis.
- 3. At their meeting on 22 April 2009, the Young People's Working Group recommended that the membership of the Group be increased to 7, to include the Young People's Champion (Minute 25 of that meeting refers). This recommendation was duly reported to the Executive on 9 June 2009. The Executive resolved:

"That, in relation to the recommendation in Minute 25 of the Young People's Working Group, the Group be asked to consider the Executive's suggestion that the Young People's Champion be appointed as a non-voting, co-opted member, so as not to upset the balance of the Group."

#### Consultation

Not relevant for the purposes of this report.

## Options

5. Options open to the Group are either to accept the Executive's suggestion (Option A) or to reject it and make an alternative recommendation to the Executive (Option B).

#### Analysis

6. The Group's decision will be reported back to the Executive in the usual way, via the minutes of this meeting. As the Group's parent body, the Executive has authority to appoint an additional member without reference to Full Council. Therefore, if Option A is chosen the recommended appointment may be made when the minutes of this meeting are reported to the Executive.

#### Corporate

#### **Priorities**

8. The aims in reporting the Executive's response to the Group accord with the priority in the Council's Corporate Strategy to make the City of York Council an Effective Organisation.

#### Implications

- 9. There are no known implications in relation to the following in terms of dealing with the specific matter before Members, namely to consider the Executive's suggestion and determine their response to it:
  - Financial
  - Human Resources (HR)
  - Equalities
  - Legal
  - Crime and Disorder
  - Property
  - Other

#### Risk

#### Management

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

#### Recommendation

- 11.Members are asked to note the Executive's response and to decide whether they wish to:
  - a. Accept the suggestion that the Young People's Champion be appointed to the Young People's Working Group as a nonvoting, co-opted member and recommend that the Executive make this appointment, or
  - b. Reject the suggestion and make an alternative recommendation to the Executive.

#### Reason:

In accordance with the requirements of the Council's Constitution in relation to the role of Working Groups.

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#### Specialist Implications Officer(s) None

Wards Affected:

All √

For further information please contact the author of the report

#### Annexes

None

# Background Papers (all available on the Council's website at www.york.gov.uk)

- Minutes of the Young People's Working Group meeting held on 22 April 2009
- Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 9 June 2009
- Agenda and associated reports for the above meetings