
MEETING	DECISION SESSION - CABINET MEMBER FOR LEISURE, CULTURE & SOCIAL INCLUSION
DATE	13 DECEMBER 2011
PRESENT	COUNCILLOR CRISP

22. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Cabinet Member was asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests she might have in the business on the agenda.

She declared her standing personal interest as a retired member of UNISON.

No other interests were declared.

23. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Decision Session - Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Social Inclusion held on 8 November 2011 be signed by the Cabinet Member as a correct record.

24. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-DECISION SESSION

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

25. UPDATE ON YORK AND THE 2012 GAMES

The Cabinet Member considered a report that outlined the programme of activities being undertaken in York to support the Cultural Olympiad, the 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympics Games being held in London.

Officers gave an update and confirmed that in 2009 the Yorkshire Committee for the 2012 Games produced the

Yorkshire Gold strategy which outlined the region's key aspirations for the games in '5 Golden Opportunities':

- Putting sport centre stage
- Healthy and cohesive communities
- A carnival of culture
- Enhanced profile and tourist potential
- Winners in business

Officers discussed the list of events that would be taking place from January to October 2012 to promote the Olympic and Paralympic Games. These events would be available to local residents of all ages to encourage them to get involved. Officers stated that many of the events had either already been awarded an Inspire Mark or applications had been submitted to confirm the Inspire Mark branding. Examples of the programmes include "Sporting Giants", and the "Celebrating Ability".

Officers were particularly proud to announce that they had secured the Olympic Torch for an overnight stop in York on 19th to 20th June. To celebrate this an afternoon event would be held on 19th June to allow families and local residents to learn about a selection of Olympic and Paralympic sports. These would include demonstrations and try it sessions run by national Governing bodies of sport. An evening concert provided by the Torch Sponsors would be taking place on the Knavesmire where the Torch would be hosted.

The Cabinet Member thanked officers for the report. She requested that if possible extra funding should be allocated to allow officers to promote all the events that would be taking place throughout 2012.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the draft programme of events be approved.

- (ii) That extra funding be sought to promote this event

Reason: To promote the Olympic legacy within the City.

26. IMPROVING YORK'S GREEN SPACES: USE OF SECTION 106 FUNDS

The Cabinet Member considered a report that sought her approval to use Section 106 payments to improve York's green spaces as set out in Annex 1 of the report.

Officers gave an update and informed the Cabinet Member that section 106 payments received by the council must be used for the benefit of the residents who will live in the development which is generating the payment.

In answer to the Cabinet Members questions, officers confirmed that Parish Council's do have control on where to spend smaller sums of money but larger sums were split between the Parish Council's and the Sports Programme which would allow some funds to be allocated to a sports club within the same ward.

The Cabinet Member thanked officers for the report and confirmed that this information kept the Parish Council's and Local Councillor's informed about what was happening in their wards.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the use of section 106 funds on those schemes identified in Annex 1 of the report be approved.
- (ii) That the suggestions for further and/or alternative schemes for inclusion in Annex 1 of the report be delegated to officers.
- (iii) That further updates be given on an annual basis.

Reason: To meet the ambitions of the Local Development Framework and the legal requirements of each section 106 payment agreed by the Council.

Cllr Sonja Crisp, Cabinet Member
[The meeting started at 4.30pm and finished at 5.00pm]