MEETING SHADOW EXECUTIVE

DATE 10 MAY 2006

PRESENT COUNCILLORS POTTER (in the Chair), EVANS, FRASER,

KING and SIMPSON-LAING

APOLOGIES COUNCILLORS MERRETT, HORTON and LOOKER

214. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in any of the business on the agenda. No interests were declared.

215. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

With regard to Executive agenda item 8 (Procurement of a Replacement Social Care IT System), it was agreed that there would be no discussion of the exempt information contained in the annex to the report and therefore no need for a resolution to exclude the press and public.

216. MINUTES

It was noted that Minutes 201 and 202 (Declarations of Interest and Public Participation) had been incorrectly recorded on the draft minutes circulated with the agenda. A revised set of draft minutes had since been circulated to Mmembers.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Shadow Executive

held on 26 April 2006, as revised, be approved and signed

by the Chair as a correct record.

217. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

218. EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN

The Shadow Executive made the following comments on the Forward Plan at page 15 of the papers circulated for the Executive meeting to be held on 16 May 2006:

The Shadow Executive may require Officer attendance at the relevant Shadow Executive meeting/s in respect of the following items (current Executive dates in brackets):

- Bus Information Replacement Service (30/5)
- York Museums Trust Funding (30/5)
- Capital Strategy Document 2006-9 (30/5)
- Corporate Asset Management Plan (30/5)
- Police and Community Safety Reform (30/5)

219. CORPORATE STRATEGY AND COUNCIL PLAN

The Shadow Executive considered a report which was listed as item 6 on the agenda for the Executive meeting on 16 May, at page 17. The report asked the Executive to approve the draft Corporate Strategy for 2006-2009 and described how the Strategy would link to, and re-shape, annual Council plans.

Having discussed the issues set out in the report, the following comments were agreed:

The Shadow Executive:

- Is disappointed in this document, which doesn't address the lack of direction identified in corporate reviews and in fact reinforces the lack of direction in this administration. It is far too broad, lists things that the Council is already doing and doesn't prioritise. It lacks vision, direction and customer focus and therefore cannot be considered a corporate Strategy.
- Feels that Shadow Executive Members have had no input in developing the Improvement Statements and therefore would like the reference to the Shadow Executive in paragraph 5, page 17, to be deleted.
- Notes that most of the performance measures are either not outcomes, or not measurable, or both.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the Executive be invited to take the above comments into account when considering this item.
- (ii) That the item not be called in.

220. ftr TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

The Shadow Executive considered a report which was listed as item 7 on the agenda for the Executive meeting on 16 May, at page 43. The report presented the findings of the consultation exercise for the introduction of Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) to prohibit parking on the ftr bus route along Challoners Road, Cornlands Road, Eason View and Tudor Road, and sought approval to implement the TROs.

Having discussed the issues set out in the report, the following comments were agreed:

The Shadow Executive questions the priority given to the TROs along this route, when the pressure seems to be at the Heslington Road end of the route, where residents still have to pay for parking even when displaced from parking on Heslington Road. There appears to be inequitable treatment of the people living along the ftr route.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the Executive be invited to take the above comments into account when considering this item.
- (ii) That the item not be called in.

221. PROCUREMENT OF A REPLACEMENT SOCIAL CARE IT SYSTEM

The Shadow Executive considered a report which was listed as item 8 on the agenda for the Executive meeting on 16 May, at page 53. The report sought approval to move forward on contract negotiations with Deloitte / Corelogic for a new adult social care IT system, and to extend the current contract with Careworks to provide a full IT system for Children's Services.

Having discussed the issues set out in the report, the following comments were agreed:

The Shadow Executive:

- Thanks Officers for their detailed report
- Notes the recommendations
- Hopes that the Executive has learnt from the problems experienced with previous implementations of IT systems.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the Executive be invited to take the above comments into account when considering this item.
- (ii) That the item not be called in.

222. URGENT BUSINESS - DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Chair raised the issue of the date of the next Shadow Executive meeting under urgent business, because there was no meeting scheduled in the Corporate Diary prior to the next Executive meeting on 30th May. This must be rectified as soon as possible but it was not feasible to set a date immediately, as not all Members were present. It was suggested that the matter be resolved by circulating an e-mail urgently after the current meeting.

RESOLVED:

That the Democratic Services Officer circulate an e-mail to all Members of the Shadow Executive as soon as possible, in order to find and fix a suitable date for the next meeting.

R POTTER, Chair

{The meeting started at 3:00 pm and finished at 3:15 pm}