



SCRUTINY BOARD (SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY AND CULTURE)

Meeting to be held in on
Thursday, 14th July, 2011 at 10.00 am

(A pre-meeting will take place for ALL Members of the Board at 9.30 a.m.)

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

M Rafique (Chair) - Chapel Allerton;
J Akhtar - Hyde Park and Woodhouse;
D Atkinson - Bramley and Stanningley;
S Bentley - Weetwood;
D Cohen - Alwoodley;
G Hyde - Killingbeck and Seacroft;
M Lobley - Roundhay;
M Lyons - Temple Newsam;
J Matthews - Headingley;
V Morgan - Killingbeck and Seacroft;
M Robinson - Harewood;

Please note: Certain or all items on this agenda may be recorded.

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| 1 | | | <p>APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS</p> <p>To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 25* of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded).</p> <p>(* In accordance with Procedure Rule 25, notice of an appeal must be received in writing by the Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting).</p> | |
| 2 | | | <p>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <p>1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.</p> <p>2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.</p> <p>3 If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-</p> <p>RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:- No exempt items on this agenda.</p> | |

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LATE ITEMS

To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.

(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes.)

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To declare any personal / prejudicial interests for the purpose of Section 81 (3) of the Local Government Act 2000 and paragraphs 8 to 12 of the Members Code of Conduct.

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTES

To receive any apologies for absence and notification of substitutes.

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MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting held on 16th June 2011 as a correct record

(copy attached)

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All Wards;

DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE - INQUIRY INTO THE ENGAGEMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN CULTURE, SPORTING AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

To consider the report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development setting out the Chairs' draft terms of reference for an Inquiry into the engagement of young people in culture; and sporting and recreational activities

(report attached)

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| 8 | All Wards; | <p>THE WEST YORKSHIRE LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN AND THE LEEDS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN</p> <p>To consider the report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development presented to facilitate discussions on the future transport strategy for the city having regard to the recently published West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan</p> <p>(report attached)</p> | 9 - 22 |
| 9 | All Wards; | <p>WORK SCHEDULE</p> <p>To consider the report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development setting out the work schedule for the Board for the forthcoming year</p> <p>(report attached)</p> | 23 - 48 |
| 10 | | <p>DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>To note the date and time of the next meeting as 22nd September 2011 at 10.00 am</p> | |

Agenda Item 6

SCRUTINY BOARD (SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY AND CULTURE)

THURSDAY, 16TH JUNE, 2011

PRESENT: Councillor M Rafique in the Chair

Councillors D Atkinson, S Bentley, G Hyde,
M Lobley, M Lyons, J Matthews, V Morgan,
M Robinson and B Anderson

1 **Chairs Opening Remarks**

Councillor Rafique opened the meeting by welcoming all present to this; the first meeting of the Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture). Short introductions were made.

2 **Late Items**

No formal late items of business were added to the agenda however Members were in receipt of documents relating to the City Priority Plan due to be considered by Executive Board on 22 June 2011 for reference (minute 6 refers).

3 **Declarations of Interest**

The following Member declared a personal interest for the purpose of Section 81 (3) of the Local Government Act 2000 and paragraphs 8 to 12 of the Members Code of Conduct:

Councillor M Lobley – declared a personal interest in any discussions on the construction of Leeds Arena as the Chair of Re’new Leeds - a regeneration charity – during consideration of the priorities and work programme for the Board (minute 6 refers)

4 **Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitutes**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D Cohen. The Board welcomed Councillor B Anderson as his substitute.

5 **Changes to the Council's Constitution in relation to Scrutiny**

The Head of Scrutiny and Member Development presented a report setting out the Terms of Reference for the Scrutiny Board for the forthcoming year and highlighting the amendments recently made to the Council’s Constitution and approved at Annual Council on 26th May 2011 in respect of the work of Scrutiny Boards.

RESOLVED – To note the contents of the report and the amendments made to the Council’s Constitution.

6 **Sources of work and areas of Priority for the Scrutiny Board**

The Head of Scrutiny and Member Management introduced a report providing information and guidance on potential sources of work and priority areas within the remit of the Boards’ Terms of Reference.

Appended to the report were copies of the Terms of Reference, minutes of the Executive Board meeting held 18th May 2011 and the Forward Plan of Key Decisions July – October 2011 to enable discussions.

The Board welcomed the following to the meeting
Councillor R Lewis - Executive Member, City Development;
Councillor A Ogilvie - Executive Member, Leisure
Mr M Farrington - Acting Director, City Development
Mr P Maney - Head of Strategic Planning, Policy & Performance, City Development

Councillor R Lewis and Mr M Farrington highlighted issues from within the development portfolio for the Board to consider:

- The need to take a strategic view of city centre development including the impact of the credit crunch and those sites left undeveloped
- Connectivity of the City and new developments with the suburbs and the balance between vehicle/pedestrian movement around the city
- Development of the flood alleviation scheme

(Councillor D Atkinson joined the meeting at this point)

The Board discussed the following issues

Local employment

- Measures available and currently used to ensure developers encouraged local employment, skills and apprenticeships
- Concern that new developments in Leeds brought more commuters from across West Yorkshire, rather than employment for Leeds citizens

Transport infrastructure

- Concern generally about the existing transport infrastructure throughout the city. The west and north west areas of Leeds were identified as areas not well served by an effective highway network.
- The proposed location for the high speed rail terminus. Members advocated development of a fully integrated transport interchange in the City centre
- The need to establish a fall-back position for transport improvement should the NGT bid fail to consider how to support continuous development without the NGT scheme

Future Development

- Measures to encourage high quality developments which provide high quality green space
- The impact of residential development in the green belt in terms of added stress on the transport infrastructure and quality of life generally
- Broadband connectivity issues for small businesses. Members noted that Mr Farrington would provide Councillor Robinson with a copy of the city region broadband project

(Councillor Matthews withdrew from the meeting for a short time at this point)

- The need to take an overview of the Leeds retail and culture offer and to establish proposals to support those parts of the city centre left empty when retail development shifts emphasis
- Measures to prevent developments stagnating
- Reduction of CO2 emissions and what LCC could do in terms of leading by example through utilising renewable energy and goods within its own buildings, thus encouraging developers to do the same
- Role of the night time economy and the infrastructure needed to support it.

Councillor Ogilvie addressed the Board and highlighted the following issues for the Boards' consideration from within the culture portfolio

- How to engage young people with the city's sporting and cultural events. To consider the success of the current approach and evaluate whether this approach could be developed
- Establishment of a bowling pitch strategy
- Consideration of the economic and social benefits brought to the city by hosting cultural/sporting and recreation events

The Board further discussed:

- How to build on the substantial physical improvements made to the city's cultural infrastructure
- What support LCC could provide young people who sought to create their own events
- The city's history of provision of concerts and music entertainment
- The role of Area Committees in providing funds for local youth groups and events

RESOLVED – Members noted the information contained within the report and the contents of the discussions and

- a) Confirmed the following six areas of Scrutiny for the forthcoming Municipal Year
 - a. Employment and training
 - b. The north/south divide in the city and the links with employment opportunities
 - c. Transport links around and through the City, with particular reference to the north and north-west areas.
 - d. How to engage young people with the cultural/sporting events in the city, including an evaluation of the current methodology and consideration of its development
 - e. A strategy for the City's bowling pitches
 - f. The economic and social benefits brought to the city by cultural, sporting and recreation events, including consideration of the development of toolkit to publicise the benefits

- b) Authorised the Chair, in conjunction with officers, to draw up Inquiry Terms of Reference for subsequent approval by the Board

7 **Work Schedule**

The Head of Scrutiny & Member Development submitted a draft work programme for the Board for the 2011/12 Municipal Year including a schedule which referred to the four main priority themes already identified in the Boards' Terms of Reference.

Having regard to the six priority areas for Scrutiny already identified in previous discussions (minute 6a refers above), Members noted the resources required to create terms of reference for those diverse areas of scrutiny and considered scheduling those issues for consideration throughout the year.

(Councillor Atkinson withdrew from the meeting at this point)

RESOLVED – To prioritise the identified topics as follows

- a) To schedule initial papers on the topics “engaging young people” and “transport” for the July meeting
- b) To schedule an initial report on employment and training for the September meeting
- c) That officers be requested to populate the schedule with the remaining four topics

8 **Co-Opted Members**

The Head of Scrutiny & Member Development presented a report seeking Members' consideration of whether to appoint Co-optees to the Scrutiny Board or whether to call for witnesses to specific Inquiries instead.

Members recognised the value of co-optee participation however felt that the input of specialists would be more appropriate to strengthen the work of the Board in any Inquiry into a given priority due to the breadth of the remit of the Scrutiny Board.

RESOLVED – Not to appoint standing co-optees to the Scrutiny Board, but to seek the input of expert witnesses, or incorporate external research studies where appropriate, to future Inquiries.

9 **Date and time of Future Meetings**

RESOLVED - To note the following arrangements:

14 July 2011

22 September 2011

20 October 2011

1 December 2011

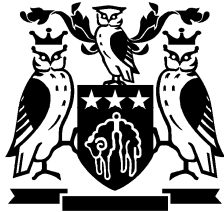
26 January 2012

23 February 2012

22 March 2012

19 April 2012

All formal meetings commence at 10.00 am with a pre-meeting for Board Members only at 9.30 am



Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture)

Date: 14th July 2011

Subject: Draft Terms of Reference - Inquiry into the engagement of young people in culture, sporting and recreational activities.

Electoral Wards Affected: All

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to put before members of the Board, the Chair's draft terms of reference for an Inquiry into the engagement of young people in culture, sporting and recreational activities.

2 Background

2.1 At its meeting on 16th June 2011, members of this Scrutiny Board discussed with the Executive Board Member for Leisure, Cllr Ogilvie, areas in which a Scrutiny Inquiry might add value to the work of the Executive. The Board agreed to consider the provision of cultural, sport and recreational services for young people with a particular emphasis on the effectiveness and sustainability of Breeze. It was further agreed that the Chair would draft up terms of reference for the Boards consideration today.

2.2 In drafting these terms of reference comments have been sought from the Chief Officer, Libraries, Arts and Heritage and from the Head of Sport and Active Recreation. Also, in line with the Council's Constitution, the Executive Member has been ask to comment. Cllr Ogilvie has reported that he is supportive and happy with the terms of reference.

3. Recommendations

3.1 Members are asked to consider and agree the draft Inquiry terms after making any appropriate amendments.

Background papers

None used

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Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture)

Terms of Reference for an Inquiry into the engagement of young people in culture, sporting and recreational activities.

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 At its meeting on 16th June 2011, the Board agreed to undertake an Inquiry into how the Council engages young people in culture, sporting and recreational activities, with a particular emphasis on the effectiveness and sustainability of Breeze as the delivery vehicle for such engagement.
- 1.2 The Board agreed to consider the provision of cultural, sport and recreation services for young people across the city, to look at the current deployment of resources; to identify gaps in provision; to consider partnership engagement and to identify areas of good practice and develop ideas to improve participation. The Board also wished to consider how the council made contact with hard to reach groups and those young people not taking part in cultural, sporting or recreational activities.

2.0 Scope of the Inquiry

- 2.1 The purpose of the Inquiry is to make an assessment of and, where appropriate, make recommendations on the Breeze Programme:

3.0 Timetable for the Review

- 3.1 The Inquiry sessions and the length of the inquiry are subject to change. However it is anticipated that a final report will be drafted in January 2011

Session One - September

- Overview of the Breeze Programme – The Breeze Youth Promise and its contribution to objectives within The Children and Young Peoples Plan 2009-2014 and the City Priority plan particularly in terms of its contribution to ‘enabling all young people to achieve their sporting and creative potential’ and ‘living healthy and culturally active lives’

Session Two – November Effectiveness of programme and communication

- A review of the summers activity to explain
- Who accesses what and where – report on take up of a range of activities
- How Breeze communicates with young people and connects them to a wide range of activities
- How Breeze cultural and sporting organisations in the city can engage with Breeze, what the potential is had how it could be developed
- Proposals for developing these communication links
- A presentation on the findings of consultation with young people on how Breeze meets their needs and the effectiveness of the communication systems and levels of awareness
- discussion to focus on gaps and further information required

Session Three - December

- Delivering Breeze in the future
- funding arrangements,
- sponsorship potential and how the Board can help achieve it
- ensuring value for money,
- How the effectiveness of the strategies employed and the revenue committed is measured. What needs to be developed
- How can Breeze reaching its full potential
- The development of ideas to improve participation

4.0 Submission of Evidence

4.1 The following witnesses have been identified as possible contributors to the Inquiry:

- Officers from the City Development directorate and other directorates as appropriate including Integrated Youth Support Services
- Councillor Adam Ogilvie – Executive Member Leisure
- Representative from the Sustainable Economy and Culture Partnership Board
- Representative from the Youth Council



Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture)

Date: 14th July 2011

Subject: The West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan and the Leeds Implementation Plan

Electoral Wards Affected: All

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to facilitate initial discussions with officers on the future transport strategy for the City following the recent approval and publishing of the West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan and in lieu of a more detailed discussion on the Leeds Implementation Plan at the September Board meeting.

2 Background

2.1 At its June meeting the Board agreed that a key area in which the Board should concentrate would be transport. In order to give more focus to the area of Scrutiny it was agreed that initial discussions would be held with officers.

2.2 At today's meeting officers will provide a summary of the West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan. The West Yorkshire Transport Plan is a 15 year plan which sets out West Yorkshire's transport needs and aspirations up to 2026. The plan covers all forms of local transport including buses, trains, roads, cycling and walking. The plan was adopted on 1st April 2011. This is the third Local Transport Plan for West Yorkshire and is branded as 'My Journey West Yorkshire'. The plan has been prepared in partnership by Metro, and the district councils of Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield.

2.3 Four themes run through the Plan to help ensure it achieves its aims.

- Transport Assets
- Travel Choices

- Connectivity.
- Enhancements

- 2.4 Further detail and supporting information is available from the Local Transport Plan website at www.wyltp.com and a summary sheet is attached for information.
- 2.5 To make the contents of this lengthy document more accessible, a Leeds Implementation Plan is being produced which sets out the transport strategy for the city, which will seek to address current and anticipated problems including those on the A65 and A660 and other areas raised by Members in June.
- 2.6 The future transport strategy for Leeds will take into account the Leeds City Region transport strategy that was approved in 2009.
- 2.7 The Chair of the Scrutiny Board has agreed that pending a more detailed discussion on the Leeds Implementation Plan in September, officers be invited to brief Members on some of the emerging issues and challenges facing the City and to hear the views of Members.
3. Recommendations
- 3.1 Members are asked to:
- (i) Discuss with officers the West Yorkshire Transport Plan and emerging Transport Strategy for the City
 - (ii) Note that the Implementation Plan will be discussed in detail at the September meeting.

Background papers

Leeds City Region Transport Strategy

West Yorkshire Transport Plan



MyJourney | West Yorkshire

Connecting people and places

West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan
2011 - 2026

LTP Summary



www.wyltp.com

Introduction

This summary document outlines the West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan (LTP) for 2011 to 2026. The LTP is the statutory plan for transport in West Yorkshire and sets out the needs, objectives, ambitions and strategy over the medium to long term as well as detailed spending proposals in its first three years.

The Plan is branded 'MyJourney' to reflect the focus on people, and the way they are affected by the transport system. We have consulted widely and will continue to do so as the Plan is implemented.

The national economic position in 2011 means that funding will be very restricted in the Plan's early years. Our response is to focus the more limited resources on supporting the economy and maintaining existing assets and services in the first few years. We will also ensure that the spending programme is flexible to respond to changing circumstances or new opportunities as they arise.



This new Plan puts customers at its heart - it's about our journey to connect people and places together in ways that also support the economy, the environment and quality of life.

How is this Plan structured?

We cannot be certain what funding will be available in later years, so this Local Transport Plan takes two approaches:

- A 15-year strategy for 2011 to 2026; and
- A first Implementation Plan for 2011 to 2014.

The complete Plan, Implementation Plan and Plan Appendices can be downloaded from www.wyltp.com.

My Journey

West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan

Metro, the West Yorkshire Integrated Transport Authority, is the Local Transport Authority for West Yorkshire and has a statutory duty to 'develop policies for the promotion and encouragement of safe, integrated, efficient and economic transport', and 'to prepare a Local Transport Plan' for West Yorkshire. It does this in partnership with the five District Councils of Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield.

Our Vision

The Plan sets out a vision for transport in West Yorkshire for the next 15 years:

MyJourney West Yorkshire Vision 2026 - Connecting People and Places

Working together to ensure that West Yorkshire's transport system connects people and places in ways that support the economy, the environment and quality of life.

Our Objectives

The Plan also sets out three key Objectives:

- 1** **Economy.** To improve connectivity to support economic activity and growth in West Yorkshire and the Leeds City Region.
- 2** **Low Carbon.** To make substantial progress towards a low carbon, sustainable transport system for West Yorkshire, while recognising transport's contribution to national carbon reduction plans.
- 3** **Quality of Life.** To enhance the quality of life of people living in, working in and visiting West Yorkshire.



What have been the benefits from previous Plans?

Since 2001, West Yorkshire's LTPs have provided a framework for investment in transport services and infrastructure, with significant results:

- **reduced congestion** through measures including additional train carriages, MyBus yellow school buses, car club schemes in Kirklees and Leeds, and new road schemes in Glasshoughton and east Leeds.
- **enhanced public transport** through measures including the new FreeCityBus and FreeTownBus services, new bus services to hospitals, re-introduction of Boxing Day bus services, improvements at rail stations, development of MetroLocal services through work with local communities and rolling out of real-time bus and rail information.
- **improved road safety** with 15% fewer people being killed or seriously injured in collisions during 2009/10 compared with 2006/07. This has been achieved through enforcement, driver training initiatives, including speed awareness courses, pedestrian and cycle training, safety cameras where there are significant levels of incidents of people being killed or suffering serious injury and 'Vehicle Activated Signs' to encourage drivers to stick to speed limits.
- **improved air quality** as a result of the implementation of District Air Quality Action Plans and 'travel choices' marketing measures such as the West Yorkshire-wide 'Travel to Work' initiative covering around 200,000 employees, which helped encourage a reduction in car use, saving 30,000 tonnes of carbon in the last three years.

Why do we need a new Plan?

Transport problems, including congestion combined with a lack of investment, will stifle West Yorkshire's economic performance. Road congestion, particularly in the peak periods is a major concern for businesses and the public.

Congestion also adversely affects the operation of bus services, reducing their performance and financial viability. Although bus and rail performance has improved in recent years, public transport is still not reaching its full potential.

Trains are crowded in the peak periods and overall bus use by fare-paying passengers is falling. Increasing fare levels, frequent network changes and lack of integration between services are seen as major barriers to a greater use of bus services.

Consultation has shown that the condition of roads and footways in West Yorkshire is a concern. The recent severe winters have also had a detrimental impact on the quality of roads.

If we do nothing, the predicted growth in employment, population and housing will exacerbate the current problems of congestion and the reliability of the transport network. There will also be serious strain on the public transport system's financial sustainability, leading to further service cuts, declines in usage and increases in fares. In turn, this will reduce the accessibility of the network to those who need it most. Road casualties will increase and carbon emissions will rise.

What does the 15-year strategy contain?

Our Plan provides the framework for local transport planning and delivery, and considers the transport needs of people, freight and businesses, as well as the impact of the transport system on residents, communities, organisations and the natural environment. It also takes into account relevant national, regional and local policies, priorities, strategies and plans, including land use planning.

The 15-year MyJourney strategy is designed to improve the four key themes of the journey: **Transport Assets** (such as the roads, traffic lights and bus stops that make up the network), **Travel Choices** (helping customers make the most sustainable choice about when and how they travel), **Connectivity** (providing an integrated, safe, reliable transport journey) and **Enhancements** (improving the overall system to provide more capacity for journeys in the future).

Effective management of **Transport Assets** is vital to ensure maximum value for money and to meet the Plan's objectives. This will be delivered by embracing new technology and management practices, and focusing on investing in more preventative maintenance prioritised according to use and condition.

On **Travel Choices**, the Plan's Strategy is to support customers in making their choices more sustainable. Wherever possible, the approach is to reduce the frequency and length of trips. Where people do need to travel, the focus is to better understand the needs of all customers and to make changes where possible to meet these needs. This includes better targeted information covering all modes of transport, to enable customers to make informed travel choices.



Connectivity focuses on delivering an integrated, financially-sustainable, reliable transport system that enables people and goods to move around as efficiently and safely as possible. It aims to maintain and improve the links into and around urban centres and other employment areas, while at the same time not compromising local people's needs and quality of life.

For **Enhancements**, the approach is to get the most out of the existing transport network and infrastructure, particularly where there is potential for it to perform better. Investment will be made to support strategic economic objectives and ensure that the main centres are better connected (thereby increasing productivity), focused where it can have the greatest impact in supporting local economic, employment and housing priorities and Local Development Frameworks.

Six 'big ideas' have been identified that will drive progress towards the objectives.

1. Enhance [travel information](#) to encourage travel behaviour change through customised, real-time information across buses, trains and other modes, and carry out marketing, education and support activities including tailored education and training.
2. Develop and use [integrated ticketing](#) and smartcard technology to enable seamless travel across buses, trains and other modes.
3. Invest in [low-carbon](#) modes of travel by supporting the development of infrastructure for low-carbon methods of travel, such as electric trains, 'Park-and-Ride', buses, tram-train, trolleybuses, walking and cycling.
4. Create a [new approach to buses](#) as part of an integrated transport system by developing a core, high-quality, financially sustainable network of bus services, with better transport planning at a community level. Improve interchange, including the development of transport 'hubs'.
5. Introduce [stronger demand management](#) measures to encourage less car use and 'lock-in' the benefits created by people changing to low-carbon modes. Also, working with Planning Authorities to ensure that development is concentrated in sustainable, accessible and safe locations.
6. A [new approach to network management](#) to help make journeys for people and goods run more smoothly, ensuring assets such as roads are well maintained and that repair works are planned to minimise disruption. Greater use of technology to respond to incidents in real time and Traffic Light Priority to speed up the flow of buses.



Who did we consult when creating the Plan?

Three rounds of public consultations took place between April 2010 and February 2011.

- LTP Draft Vision and Objectives (April to August 2010)
- LTP Draft Strategy for 2011-2026 (October 2010 to January 2011)
- LTP Draft Implementation Plan for 2011-2014 (January to February 2011)

Details of the consultations, the results and the contributions made to the development of this Plan are reported in detail in "Developing LTP3 and Quality Contracts in West Yorkshire: This Is What You Told Us" which can be downloaded from www.wyltp.com.

Contributions were received from:

- Members of the public;
- Councillors from the five District Councils and Metro;
- Local Strategic Partnerships;
- District Council Officers from a range of disciplines, including education, environment, health and equality;
- Leeds City Region partners and other neighbouring Councils;
- Department for Transport, Highways Agency, Network Rail;
- Local representatives of environmental and conservation bodies, including Natural England, Friends of the Earth, the Environment Agency and English Heritage;
- Commercial and community transport operators running buses, trains and taxis;
- Health sector representatives;
- Local business / employment networks and groups, including the Federation of Small Businesses, Chambers of Commerce and JobCentrePlus;
- Local voluntary and charity groups, and special interest groups and forums, including disability, equality, older people's, young people's, access, cycle and rural groups;
- Campaign groups, including Campaign for Better Transport and Sustrans; and
- Passenger Consultative Committees.

An Integrated Sustainability Appraisal was used to assess the environmental, health, social and economic impacts of the Plan, providing a rounded picture of the long-term effects, rather than focusing on specific aspects.

This appraisal was supported by transport modelling work with a focus on carbon reduction and job creation outcomes in the Leeds City Region.



What are the priorities for the first three years?

A three-year capital programme of £143m (2011/12 to 2013/14) is available to deliver this Plan, supported by annual revenue funding which is £284m in 2011/12.

For **Transport Assets**, priorities include implementing a new 'street works permit scheme' to provide greater control over planned utility and other road works to help reduce congestion.

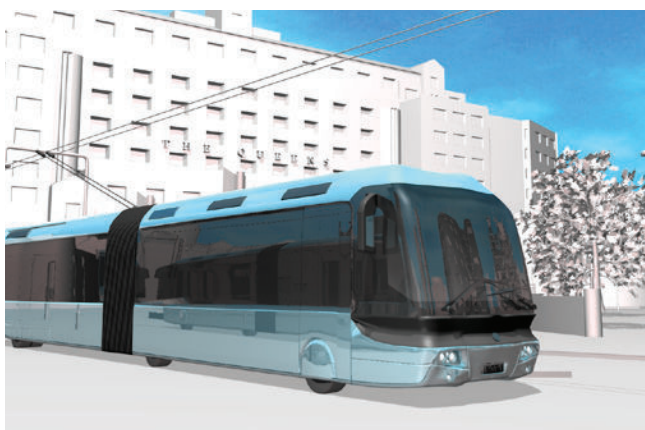
A key focus for the **Travel Choices** activity will be on integrating information across all modes of travel and personalising access to information through greater use of technology, and introducing smartcards.

In **Connectivity**, the key focus will be the continued development of proposals for a Bus Quality Contract Scheme (along with consideration of partnership offers from bus operators). Further priorities will be to mitigate the 25% reduction in the budget for supporting bus services, as well as the roll-out of the Traffic Light Priority programme.

The **Enhancements** programme includes strategic road and public transport schemes across West Yorkshire including the further development of major schemes (Leeds New Generation Transport System, a new entrance to Leeds Rail Station, and new rail stations at Low Moor, Kirkstall Forge and Apperley Bridge).

Around £14m of capital funding has been allocated to support local schemes to be implemented by District Councils working with their local communities.

The reduced funding available in the early years of the Plan presents a major challenge in balancing the level of expenditure between maintaining the network we have (e.g. repairing roads and bus stations) and making progress on the new 'big ideas' set out in the Strategy.



The Plan will be managed and implemented flexibly to reflect any changes in priorities or reduction in revenue.

The detailed list of the individual initiatives and schemes within the Implementation Plan along with maps detailing the location of key schemes are detailed in Appendices A1-A4 of the Plan Appendices, available to download from www.wyltp.com.

How will the Plan be monitored and reviewed?

Further consultation with partners and members of the public is an important mechanism for reviewing and adapting the Plan as it develops throughout its 15-year life.

Metro will manage the Plan's implementation. Key indicators are being developed to track progress against the Plan's three objectives, and may include:

- satisfaction with all transport;
- bus journey times;
- car journey time reliability;
- access to labour markets;
- principal road condition;
- low carbon trips;
- public transport patronage;
- all road casualties (people killed and seriously injured);
- access to local services;
- transport emissions.

These include a new measure of overall satisfaction with transport in West Yorkshire. For each of these indicators, targets will be set for the plan period with milestones corresponding to each of the three-year Implementation Plan periods. A consultation on the proposed indicators and targets will be undertaken during 2011 and will be published at www.wyltp.com



Contacting Us

The Plan will be regularly reviewed and updated, and you can continue to contribute to such reviews. We will be undertaking further consultation during 2011/2012, the first year of the Implementation Plan.

If you have any further comments about the Plan, or just want to keep involved in the on-going work, please contact the LTP Partnership below or register your interest via www.wymetro.com/messenger.



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Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture)

Date: 14th July 2011

Subject: Work Schedule

Electoral Wards Affected: All

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

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- 1 Purpose of this report
 - 1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider the Scrutiny Board's work schedule for the forthcoming municipal year.
 - 2 Main Issues
 - 2.1 A draft work schedule is attached as appendix 1. The work programme has been provisionally completed pending on going discussions with the Board. The work schedule will be subject to change throughout the municipal year.
 - 2.2 Also attached as appendix 2 and 3 respectively are the minutes of Executive Board 22nd June 2011 and the Council's current Forward Plan relating to this Board's portfolio.
 - 3 Recommendations
 - 3.1 Members are asked to:
 - a) Consider the draft work schedule and make amendments as appropriate.
 - b) Note the Executive Board minutes and Forward Plan

Background papers

None used

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| Area of review | Schedule of meetings/visits during 2011/12 | | |
|---|---|---|--------|
| | June | July | August |
| City Centre Development/Promoting economic growth in the City <i>(Inquiry into how developments in Leeds are bringing skills, and training and jobs to local people)</i> . | Consider potential scope of review SB @ 10am | | |
| Reducing CO2 emissions in the Local Authority Estate | Consider potential scope of review SB @ 10am | | |
| The impact of existing major sources of travel movements within the City, and the plans being made to address the impact of known future developments on the City's transport infrastructure | Consider potential scope of review SB @ 10am | Initial discussion on the West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan and the Leeds Implementation Plan -SB | |
| The City's cultural development <i>(Inquiry into the engagement of young people in culture, sporting and recreational activities)</i> | Consider potential scope of review SB @ 10am | Agree terms of reference - SB | |
| Board initiated piece of Scrutiny work (if applicable) <i>Bowling Pitch Strategy</i> | Consider potential areas of review | | |
| Budget & Policy Framework Plans | | | |
| Recommendation Tracking | | | |
| Performance Monitoring | | | |

Key: SB – Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture) Meeting

WG – Working Group Meeting

Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture) Work Schedule for 2011/2012 Municipal Year

| Area of review | Schedule of meetings/visits during 2011/12 | | |
|--|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | September | October | November |
| City Centre Development/Promoting economic growth in the City (<i>Inquiry into how developments in Leeds are bringing skills, and training and jobs to local people</i>). | Agree Terms of Reference for Inquiry | Evidence gathering session | Evidence gathering session |
| Reducing CO2 emissions in the Local Authority Estate | | | Consider potential areas for Scrutiny |
| The impact of existing major sources of travel movements within the City, and the plans being made to address the impact of known future developments on the City's transport infrastructure | Discussion on the Leeds Implementation Plan and determine areas for further Scrutiny | | |
| The City's cultural development (<i>Inquiry into the engagement of young people in culture, sporting and recreational activities</i>) | Evidence gathering session 1 | | Evidence gathering session 2 |
| Board initiated piece of Scrutiny work (if applicable) | | | |
| <i>Bowling Pitch Strategy</i> | | | |
| Budget & Policy Framework Plans | | | |
| Recommendation Tracking | | | |
| Performance Monitoring | City Priority Plans | | |

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Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture) Work Schedule for 2011/2012 Municipal Year

| Area of review | Schedule of meetings/visits during 2011/12 | | |
|--|--|--|--------------------------------|
| | December | January | February |
| City Centre Development/Promoting economic growth in the City (<i>Inquiry into how developments in Leeds are bringing skills, and training and jobs to local people</i>) . | Evidence gathering session | | |
| Reducing CO2 emissions in the Local Authority Estate | | | |
| The impact of existing major sources of travel movements within the City, and the plans being made to address the impact of known future developments on the City's transport infrastructure | | | |
| The City's cultural development (<i>Inquiry into the engagement of young people in culture, sporting and recreational activities</i>) | Evidence gathering session 3 | Formulation of recommendations and conclusions | To consider draft final report |
| Board initiated piece of Scrutiny work (if applicable) <i>Bowling pitch strategy</i> | | | |
| Budget & Policy Framework Plans | | | |
| Recommendation Tracking | | City Priority Plans | |
| Performance Monitoring | | | |

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Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture) Work Schedule for 2011/2012 Municipal Year

| Area of review | Schedule of meetings/visits during 2011/12 | | |
|--|--|-------|-----|
| | March | April | May |
| City Centre Development/Promoting economic growth in the City (<i>Inquiry into how developments in Leeds are bringing skills, and training and jobs to local people</i>). | | | |
| Reducing CO2 emissions in the Local Authority Estate | | | |
| The impact of existing major sources of travel movements within the City, and the plans being made to address the impact of known future developments on the City's transport infrastructure | | | |
| The City's cultural development (<i>Inquiry into the engagement of young people in culture, sporting and recreational activities</i>) | | | |
| Board initiated piece of Scrutiny work (if applicable) | | | |
| Budget & Policy Framework Plans <i>Bowling pitch strategy</i> | | | |
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| Performance Monitoring | City Priority Plans | | |

EXECUTIVE BOARD

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JUNE, 2011

PRESENT: Councillor K Wakefield in the Chair

Councillors J Blake, A Carter, M Dobson,
R Finnigan, S Golton, P Gruen, R Lewis,
A Ogilvie and L Yeadon

1 **Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public**

RESOLVED – That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as exempt on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information so designated as follows:-

- (a) Appendices 1 – 5 to the report referred to in Minute No. 5, under the terms of Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(5) and on the grounds that the appendices detail legal advice and related correspondence. As there is potential for legal action to be initiated by any of the interested parties, in that context, the public interest in allowing access to the specific legal advice to and analysis of the present position by Council officers, is outweighed by the need for the Council to be able to respond appropriately to any potential future legal challenge. Therefore, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing this information at this point in time.
- (b) The appendix to the report referred to in Minute No. 24, under the terms of Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3) and on the grounds that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information by reason of the fact that it contains information and financial details which, if disclosed would adversely affect the business of the Council and may also adversely affect the business affairs of the other parties concerned.

2 **Late Items**

The Chair admitted to the agenda the following late items of business:

- (a) Proposed Aire Valley Leeds Enterprise Zones (Minute No. 26 refers)
Whilst the decision of the Local Enterprise Partnership on the 15th June 2011 to submit the Aire Valley Leeds proposal to Government as the Leeds City Region Enterprise Zone had been taken after the publication of the Executive Board agenda, it was determined essential that this matter was considered by the Board at the earliest opportunity in order to keep the Board informed of the progress made on this issue,

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whilst also seeking the Board's endorsement to the approach taken and obtaining support for the further work required to deliver an Enterprise Zone in Aire Valley Leeds.

(b) Closure of East Leeds Leisure Centre and Middleton Pool and Reduced Opening Hours of Garforth Squash and Leisure Centre (Minute No. 16 refers)

The report was not available for inclusion within the agenda papers, as the formal responses from the relevant directorate to the Scrutiny Board's proposals were being compiled at that time. However, it was determined necessary that Executive Board consider the responses to the Scrutiny Board's recommendations at the earliest opportunity, following the conclusion of the scrutiny inquiry.

(c) Grants to Culture and Sport Related Organisations (Minute No. 18 refers)

The report was not available for inclusion within the agenda papers, as the formal responses from the relevant directorate to the Scrutiny Board's proposals were being compiled at that time. However, it was determined necessary that Executive Board consider the responses to the Scrutiny Board's recommendations at the earliest opportunity, following the conclusion of the scrutiny inquiry.

(d) Response to the Review of Home Farm, Temple Newsam – Scrutiny Inquiry Report (Minute No. 17 refers)

The report was not available for inclusion within the agenda papers, as the formal responses from the relevant directorate to the Scrutiny Board's proposals were being compiled at that time. However, it was determined necessary that Executive Board consider the responses to the Scrutiny Board's recommendations at the earliest opportunity, following the conclusion of the scrutiny inquiry.

(e) Little London and Beeston Hill and Holbeck PFI Housing Project – Value for Money (VFM) Review and Final Business Case Update (Minute No. 29 refers)

The report was not available for inclusion within the agenda papers, as the correspondence from the Homes and Communities Agency confirming that the project had passed the Value for Money test, subject to some amendments, was not received until the 20th June 2011, and it was deemed necessary that Executive Board be formally provided with the latest position at the earliest opportunity.

3 Declaration of Interests

Councillor A Carter declared a personal interest in the item entitled, 'Local Sustainable Transport Fund Bid for West Yorkshire', due to being a member of the West Yorkshire Integrated Transport Authority (Minute No. 23 refers).

Further declarations of interest were made at a later point in the meeting (Minute Nos. 12 and 17 refer).

4 Minutes

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 18th May 2011 be approved as a correct record.

ADULT HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

5 Neighbourhood Network Update

Further to Minute No. 34, 21st July 2010, the Director of Adult Social Services submitted a report providing an account of the negotiations held to date in line with the resolutions of the Executive Board in July 2010 in respect of Neighbourhood Networks, detailing the outcome of those negotiations, whilst also providing a recommendation on a potential way forward based upon legal advice obtained by the Council.

Correspondence received from the solicitors acting on behalf of Leeds Irish Health and Homes had been circulated to Board Members for their consideration prior to the meeting, with separate correspondence from the Chief Executive of the same company being tabled at the meeting.

The report provided details of the equality impact assessment which had been undertaken in respect of the original tendering exercise.

Following consideration of Appendices 1,2,3,4 and 5 to the submitted report, designated as exempt under Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(5), which was considered in private at the conclusion of the meeting, it was

RESOLVED -

- (a) That no contract (advertised under the overall tendering of Neighbourhood Network services in 2009/10) be awarded for the provision of Neighbourhood Network services in relation to those 5 areas of East Leeds specified in this report, namely Burmantofts, South Seacroft, Swarcliffe, Richmond Hill and Crossgates and District.
- (b) That the commencement of a renewed tendering exercise for the provision of Neighbourhood Network services in relation to those areas of East Leeds specified in the submitted report be approved.
- (c) That the tendering exercise be constructed in such a way as to take account of the lessons learnt in the original tender process, the analysis of the current position as set out in confidential Appendix 4 and arising from the specialist legal advice contained within exempt Appendix 3 to the submitted report.
- (d) That it be noted that the services currently being delivered will continue through an extension of existing contracts to 31st March 2012, pending the outcome of resolutions (b) and (c) above.

RESOURCES AND CORPORATE FUNCTIONS

6 Financial Performance - Outturn 2010/2011

The Director of Resources submitted a report setting out the Council's financial outturn position for 2010/11, including both revenue and capital elements, in addition to the Housing Revenue Account. In addition, the report covered revenue expenditure and income compared to the budget, reported on the outturn for Education Leeds and the ALMOs, highlighted the position regarding other key financial health indicators and invited the Board to consider the approval, creation and usage of the Council's reserves.

The Board thanked all of those officers who had been involved in managing the financial performance of the Council throughout the 2010/11 financial year and into 2011/12.

In response to Members' enquiries regarding the issue of car parking charges, the Board noted that a further report regarding car parking policy was scheduled to be submitted to the September Board meeting.

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the contents of the submitted report be noted.
- (b) That the creation of an earmarked reserve for an early leavers scheme in 2011/12 be approved.
- (c) That the earmarked reserves, as detailed within Appendix 2 of the submitted report, be approved.
- (d) That the immediate release of £12,400,000 earmarked reserves as detailed in paragraph 6.9 of the submitted report be approved.

7 Financial Health Reporting 2011/2012

The Director of Resources submitted a report providing information as to both the context and arrangements for the reporting of the Council's financial health during 2011/2012.

In response to Members' enquiries regarding the timescales for reporting the Council's financial health to the Board, the Director of Resources undertook to ensure that each update report would contain the most up to date information possible.

RESOLVED – That the proposals for financial health reporting in 2011/2012, as detailed within the submitted report, be approved.

8 New Vision and Strategic Plans

The Assistant Chief Executive (Planning, Policy and Improvement) submitted a report outlining the key stages of the development of several of the Council's important plans, including consultation undertaken with the public and with partners, detailing how due regard needed to be given to equality and diversity in preparing them, whilst presenting the plans

themselves for consideration and endorsement prior to formal approval by Full Council.

The Chief Executive provided details of the changes which had been made to the city and council planning and partnership framework and highlighted the introduction of an outcomes based accountability approach which had been incorporated into the strategic planning and performance management arrangements.

The Board thanked all of those officers and partners who had been involved in the compilation of the Vision for Leeds 2011-30, the City Priority Plan 2011-15 and the Council Business Plan 2011-15.

The report provided details of the Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Impact Assessment which had been undertaken in respect of the New Vision and Strategic Plans.

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the Vision for Leeds 2011 to 2030, City Priority Plan 2011 to 2015 and the Council Business Plan 2011 to 2015, as attached at appendix 1 to the submitted report, be endorsed.
- (b) That Members of Full Council be recommended to approve the Vision for Leeds 2011 to 2030, City Priority Plan 2011 to 2015 and the Council Business Plan 2011 to 2015 at their meeting on 13th July 2011.
- (c) That Members of Full Council be recommended to authorise Executive Board to make "in-year" amendments to these plans as may be necessary.
- (d) That the Assistant Chief Executive (Planning, Policy and Improvement) be authorised to complete the plans with any outstanding information prior to their submission for approval to Full Council on 13th July 2011.
- (e) That a report be submitted to a future meeting of the Board in respect of the outcome based accountability approach being incorporated into the strategic planning and performance management arrangements.

(The matters referred to in this minute being matters reserved to Council were not eligible for Call In)

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

9 Children's Services Improvement Update Report

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report providing the Board with an update on the improvement activity that was continuing across children's services in Leeds. The report particularly focussed upon the wider context, in view of a number of significant policy developments which had taken place, improvement and inspection activity and the Children's Services Transformation Programme.

Members were provided with responses to enquiries raised regarding the replacement of the Electronic Social Care Recording system for Children's Services.

In response to enquiries, the Director of Children's Services undertook to provide Members with a timetable detailing the proposed schedule for the roll out to a locality level of the outcomes based accountability methodology.

RESOLVED - That the contents of the submitted report be noted and that the continuing direction of travel across children's services in Leeds along with the preparations being undertaken for a possible announced inspection during summer 2011 be supported.

10 Children & Young People's Plan 2011-2015

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report presenting the final version of the Children & Young People's Plan (CYPP) and seeking endorsement and support for the important statement of outcomes, priorities and indicators which had been agreed by all the Children Leeds partners as the framework for improving outcomes.

The report provided details of the Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Impact Assessment which had been undertaken in respect of the strategic planning approach and City Priority Plans.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the Children and Young People's Plan 2011-15, as attached at appendix 1 to the submitted report, be endorsed and supported, subject to formal approval by full Council on 13 July 2011.
- (b) That Executive Board Members contribute towards the delivery of the CYPP by using the CYPP 2011-15 as a key criterion in their scrutiny and evaluation of all issues relating to children and young people.

(The matters referred to in this minute being matters reserved to Council were not eligible for Call In)

11 Annual Review of the Fostering and Adoption Statements of Purpose

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report presenting for approval the revised statements of purpose for Leeds City Council's Fostering and Adoption Services.

RESOLVED - That the Statements of Purpose for both the Fostering and Adoption Services for Leeds City Council be approved.

12 Design and Cost Report for E-ACT Leeds East Academy, Submission of Stage 0 Proposal to Partnerships for Schools and Disposal of Parklands Leasehold at Nil Consideration

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report which sought approval to submit the Confirmation of Procurement Approval (Stage 0) Document to

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the Partnerships for Schools (PFS), for the injection of funding and 'Authority to Spend' for E-ACT Leeds East Academy (BSF Wave 1, Phase 5). In addition, the report also sought the relevant approvals in respect of the disposal of the leasehold interest of Parklands Girls' High School at nil consideration.

Copies of the document entitled, 'Confirmation of Procurement Approval for Subsequent Phases in a BSF Wave (Stage 0)' had been provided to Board Members as part of their agenda packs.

The report advised that an Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening form had been completed for the project, which determined that it was not necessary to carry out a formal impact assessment.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the submission of the Stage 0 proposal to Partnerships for Schools be approved.
- (b) That the injection of £5,253,100 into scheme 16155 - E-ACT East Leeds Academy into the Council's capital programme be approved, and that the Authority to Spend this additional funding also be approved.
- (c) That the disposal of the leasehold interest of Parklands Girls' High School at nil consideration be approved.

(Councillors Gruen and Finnigan both declared personal interests in this item due to being members of Plans Panel (East))

LEISURE

13 Response to Deputation to Council: Friends of Bramley Baths

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report in response to the deputation to Council on 6th April 2011 regarding the reduction of hours at Bramley Baths.

The report provided details of the outline Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Impact Assessment had been conducted.

RESOLVED -

- a) That the response to the deputation from the Friends of Bramley Baths be noted.
- b) That the process of advertising for expressions of interest in the Community Asset Transfer of this site, on the terms as described within the submitted report, be approved.

14 Response to Deputation to Council: West Riding Track League

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report in response to the deputation to Council on 6th April 2011 from the West Riding Track League

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highlighting the League's success over the last 65 years, whilst also seeking Council support for the future of league and grass track racing on the historic track at Roundhay Park.

The report provided details of the Equality Impact Assessment Screening Form which had been completed in respect of this matter.

RESOLVED - That the response detailed within the submitted report to the West Riding Track League's deputation to Council of 6th April 2011 be noted and endorsed.

15 Mercury Abatement Works - Rawdon Crematoria: Capital Scheme No. 16194

Further to Minute No. 68, 25th August 2011, the Acting Director of City Development submitted a report advising Members of the current position with regard to facilitating the installation of cremators with mercury filtration equipment at Rawdon crematorium and requesting that Members authorise the letting of the works contract and the incurring of expenditure of £1,645,050, including fees from existing budget provision.

RESOLVED -

- a) That the works planned for Rawdon Crematorium be noted.
- b) That the award of the design and build contract in the sum of £1,445,050 be authorised.
- c) That authority to spend up to £1,645,050 on the scheme, including fees, be authorised.

16 Closure of East Leeds Leisure Centre and Middleton Pool and Reduced Opening Hours of Garforth Squash and Leisure Centre

The Head of Scrutiny and Member Development submitted a report inviting the Board to consider the recommendations of the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) following the Scrutiny Board's consideration of issues relating to proposals regarding the closure of East Leeds Leisure Centre, Middleton Pool and the reduction in operating hours at Garforth Squash and Leisure Centre.

Councillor J Procter, the Chair of the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) attended the meeting to present the Board's findings.

Copies of the report had been circulated to Board Members prior to the meeting for their consideration.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That it be noted that the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) recommends that any proposals to reduce services should be fully consulted upon before the matter is referred to Executive Board for determination.

- (b) That it be noted that the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) opposes the reduction in operating hours at Garforth Squash and Leisure Centre and the proposed Community Asset Transfer to the School Partnership Trust and the closure of East Leeds Leisure Centre and Middleton Pool.

17 Response to the review of Home Farm Temple Newsam Scrutiny Board Inquiry

The Head of Scrutiny and Member Development submitted a report inviting the Board to consider the recommendations of the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) following the conclusion of the Scrutiny Board's inquiry entitled, 'Review of Home Farm, Temple Newsam'.

Councillor J Procter, the Chair of the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) attended the meeting to present the Board's findings.

Copies of the report and accompanying documents had been circulated to Board Members prior to the meeting for their consideration.

RESOLVED – That the recommendations of the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) and the directorate responses be noted, with a further report being submitted to a future meeting of the Board in order to further consider ways in which the operation of Home Farm can be developed in the future.

(Councillor Wakefield declared a personal interest in this item, as a member of Meanwood Valley Urban Farm)

18 Grants to Culture and Sport Related Organisations

The Head of Scrutiny and Member Development submitted a report inviting the Board to consider the recommendations of the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) following the Scrutiny Board's consideration of issues relating to proposals regarding changes by the Arts Council and West Yorkshire Grants to their approach towards grant making.

Councillor J Procter, the Chair of the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) attended the meeting to present the Board's findings.

Copies of the report and accompanying documents had been circulated to Board Members prior to the meeting for their consideration.

RESOLVED – That the recommendations of the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) and the directorate responses be noted.

DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY

19 Response to Deputation to Council: West Park Residents Association

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report in response to the deputation to Council on 6th April 2011 from the West Park Residents' Association regarding the future use of the centre.

The report provided details of the An Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration impact assessment scheduled to be carried out as part of the options appraisal.

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the response to the deputation from the West Park Residents' Association be noted.
- (b) That officers be authorised to undertake an options appraisal in order to determine the future of the building and the future location of services currently provided on site, with the outcomes from the options appraisal being reported back to Executive Board with recommendations later in the year.

20 Response to Deputation to Council: Danoptra Ltd.

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report in response to the deputation to Council on 6th April 2011 from Danoptra Ltd. regarding the draft Horsforth and Cragg Hill Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan.

RESOLVED - That the contents of the submitted report be noted.

21 Response to Deputation to Council: Leeds Students' Unions

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report in response to the deputation to Council on 6th April 2011 from Leeds Student Unions regarding the proposed Article 4 Direction affecting Houses of Multiple Occupation (HMOs).

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the content of the submitted report which responds to issues raised by the Leeds Student Unions in relation to the proposed Article 4 Direction be noted.
- (b) That a report be submitted to a future meeting outlining the response to the Article 4 Direction consultation.

22 Housing Appeals - Implications of the Secretary of State's Decision relating to Land at Grimes Dyke, East Leeds

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report providing an update on the outcome of an appeal relating to a substantial greenfield housing site at Grimes Dyke, East Leeds. The report noted that the decision taken by the Secretary of State followed a series of similar cases determined by individual inspectors and invited consideration of the consequences arising from the decision in terms of the Council's approach towards similar greenfield developments in the future.

Members highlighted the need for an all party lobbying exercise to be undertaken in order to relay the Council's concerns in respect of this matter to the Minister for Housing and Local Government, with enquiries being made as to the possibility of involving other Local Authorities who were in a similar position.

Having highlighted the importance of maintaining the current balance between greenfield sites and urban settlements across the city, the Chief Executive highlighted the need for officers and Members to engage further with developers in order to move forward on this matter.

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the outcome of the appeal at Grimes Dyke and the consequences for Council policy, as set out within the submitted report, be noted.
- (b) That the release of all the Phase 2 and 3 housing allocations in the UDP be agreed, subject to proposals coming forward being otherwise acceptable in planning terms.
- (c) That the withdrawal from the appeal on land at Whitehall Road, Drighlington, be agreed.
- (d) That approval be given to the Regional Spatial Strategy providing the basis for assessing the 5 year land supply pending the Core Strategy.
- (e) That the Prospectus, attached as Appendix A to the submitted report, be endorsed as the basis for informal consultation on the Core Strategy housing issues.
- (f) That Scrutiny Board (Regeneration) be invited to review and report on the population and household projection information that will underpin the Core Strategy, in addition to the land banking practices of developers, with such a review being undertaken as a matter of urgency in order to enable progress to be maintained according to the Core Strategy timetable, with the outcomes from the review being submitted to the Executive Board in due course.
- (g) That an all party lobbying exercise be undertaken in order to relay the Council's concerns in respect of this matter to the Minister for Housing and Local Government.

(The matters referred to in this minute were not eligible for Call In as there was a further, similar appeal case for which evidence was due, and it was important that the Council's approach towards that case was established and confirmed at the earliest opportunity).

23 Local Sustainable Transport Fund Bid for West Yorkshire

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report providing details of the bid which had been prepared and submitted to the Department for Transport regarding the Local Sustainable Transport Fund project for West Yorkshire.

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the preparation of funding bids for the Local Sustainable Transport Fund and the submission of a Large Project bid made to the Government on 6th June 2011 be noted.
- (b) That the decision made by the West Yorkshire Integrated Transport Authority Executive (Appointed Members) taken on 3rd June 2011 to approve the bid be noted.
- (c) That it be noted that the Council is a partner in a separate Thematic bid for travel to school, led and submitted by Sustrans in partnership with a consortium of local authorities.

24 Elland Road Masterplan

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report providing an update on the progress made in respect of the Elland Road Masterplan since its inclusion within the Informal Planning Statement for Elland Road, the acquisition of the Castle Family Trust land, developments regarding a potential park and ride facility and the sale of the former Greyhound Stadium. The report also sought approval of the revised Heads of Terms with the operator of the proposed ice rink on Elland Road, whilst also seeking an injection from the Capital Programme into the proposed realignment of Lowfields Road.

Following consideration of the Appendix to the submitted report, designated as exempt under Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3), which was considered in private at the conclusion of the meeting, it was

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the continuing development of the Informal Planning Statement through the acquisition of the Castle Family land and the sale of the Greyhound Stadium to the West Yorkshire Police Authority for their new divisional headquarters be noted.
- (b) That the revised Heads of Terms and additional 6 month exclusivity period to the ice rink operator, as identified within the exempt appendix to the submitted report, be approved.
- (c) That approval be given to the injection of £500,000 from the Capital Programme as a contribution towards the implementation of the masterplan, allowing for the realignment of Lowfields Road on the terms identified within the exempt appendix to the submitted report.

25 Rugby League World Cup 2013

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report providing details of the 2013 Rugby League World Cup (RLWC) and the bidding process for potential Host Cities. In addition, the report sought approval for the submission of a final bid and provided details on the role of a consortium who would lead on RLWC activity.

Members thanked officers for the work which had been undertaken on this matter to date, given the restricted timescales involved.

The report provided details of the Equality, Diversity and Cohesion and Integration Impact Assessment (EDCI) which had been undertaken in respect of the bid process and of Leeds hosting the event.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the contents of the submitted report be noted.
- (b) That approval be given for Leeds to submit a bid to be a Host City for the Rugby League World Cup 2013 on July 15th 2011.
- (c) That the requirement for the consortium to take responsibility for the Rugby League World Cup bid and subsequent World Cup related activity be noted.
- (d) That approval be given for the consortium to progress contractual and commercial discussions with the Rugby Football League and for officers to report back to Executive Board with requirements once contractual and commercial details are known.

(The matters referred to in this minute were not eligible for Call In due to the imminent deadline for the submission of the final bid to become a Host City for the 2013 Rugby League World Cup)

26 Proposed Aire Valley Leeds Enterprise Zone

The Acting Director of City Development submitted a report advising of the submission to the Local Enterprise Partnership Board of the proposal for an Enterprise Zone in Leeds, welcoming the subsequent decision of the Local Enterprise Partnership Board and seeking endorsement to the approach taken and support for the further work required to deliver an Enterprise Zone in Aire Valley Leeds.

Copies of the report and accompanying documents had been circulated to Board Members prior to the meeting for their consideration.

The Board emphasised the significance of the Enterprise Zone as a catalyst for growth throughout the whole of the Leeds City Region (LCR). In addition, Members highlighted the need to support each partner Local Authority within the LCR to help them deliver their strategic priorities, as this would be to the benefit of the whole of the region and underlined the important role that the Local Enterprise Partnership would play in this process.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the recommendation of the Local Enterprise Partnership Board be welcomed and that the further development of the Aire Valley Leeds Enterprise Zone proposal for submission to Government be agreed.

- (b) That the preparation of a Local Development Order be agreed, with the details of which being reported to Executive Board for approval.

NEIGHBOURHOODS, HOUSING AND REGENERATION

27 Assistance to Vulnerable Households: the business case for unsupported borrowing to fund equity release loans to vulnerable households

The Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods submitted a report outlining proposals regarding a financial model which would enable Leeds City Council to deliver unsupported borrowing for the provision of equity loans to vulnerable households.

The report provided details of the Equality, Diversity and Community Cohesion Impact (EDCI) screening form which had been completed in respect of this matter.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to the proposal to introduce an equity release loans scheme for vulnerable home owners, funded through unsupported borrowing, with the redeemed Leeds Loans used to subsidise costs, up to a limit of £500,000 per annum based upon the model set out within the submitted report for up to the next 4 years, subject to annual review of the scheme, in order to minimise the risk to the Council.

28 Reducing Reported Burglary in Leeds

The Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods submitted a report providing an overview of the burglary problem in Leeds and outlining the key drivers in relation to this offence. In addition, the report sought agreement to the Leeds Burglary Reduction Strategy and approval to the allocation of £1,326,000 made available through the Community Safety Fund to support the delivery of the Leeds Burglary Reduction Programme.

In response to Members' enquiries, officers undertook to provide Board Members with the burglary statistics broken down by Ward.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the Leeds Burglary Reduction Strategy be agreed.
- (b) That the allocation of £1,326,000 of resources made available through the Community Safety Fund to support the delivery of the Leeds Burglary Reduction Programme be approved.
- (c) That the annual funding allocations currently assigned to the Community Safety Fund for 2011/12 and 2012/13 be amended to make this more evenly split across the two financial years and aligned to the Burglary Reduction Programme, as outlined within section 5 of the submitted report.

- (d) That a further report on the progress made to reduce domestic burglary be submitted to the Board in one year (June 2012).

29 Little London and Beeston Hill & Holbeck PFI Housing Project - Value For Money Review and Final Business Case

The Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods submitted a report informing the Board of the progress made to date on the Little London and Beeston Hill and Holbeck PFI Housing Project, whilst focussing upon the status of the project in relation to the Department for Communities and Local Government's Value for Money assessment of the programme and the remaining approval processes and likely timetable.

Copies of the report and accompanying documents had been circulated to Board Members prior to the meeting for their consideration.

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the contents of the submitted report be noted.
- (b) That the positive outcome for the project with regard to the Department for Communities and Local Government's Value for Money review be noted.
- (c) That the impact of delays on the project and the likely programme to the financial close be noted.
- (d) That a further, more detailed report be submitted to the Board on 27th July 2011 in order to confirm the final proposed scope and affordability of the project for further approval by the Government.

DATE OF PUBLICATION: 24TH JUNE 2011

LAST DATE FOR CALL IN OF ELIGIBLE DECISIONS: 1ST JULY 2011 (5.00 P.M.)

(Scrutiny Support will notify Directors of any items called in by 12.00noon on 4th July 2011)

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**FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS
(Relevant to Sustainable Economy and Culture
Scrutiny Board)**

1 July 2011 – 31 October 2011

| Key Decisions | Decision Maker | Expected Date of Decision | Proposed Consultation | Documents to be Considered by Decision Maker | Lead Officer (To whom representations should be made and email address to send representations to) |
|--|---|---------------------------|---|---|---|
| <p>Leeds Local Implementation Plan supporting document for the West Yorkshire Local Transport Team Report requesting authority to: Approval of the supporting document for Leeds setting out details of the strategy and implementation proposals for Leeds included in the West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan.</p> | <p>Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) ()</p> | <p>1/7/11</p> | <p>The document sets out issues and proposals that have been consulted on as part of the Local Transport Plan preparation process which has included Members and stakeholders</p> | <p>Delegated decision report</p> | <p>andrew.hall@leeds.gov.uk</p> |
| <p>Asset Management Plan (including Community Asset Strategy and Carbon and Water Management Plan) Approval required</p> | <p>Executive Board (Portfolio: Development and the Economy)</p> | <p>27/7/11</p> | <p>Equality Impact Assessment</p> | <p>The report to be issued to the decision maker with the agenda for the meeting.</p> | <p>Director of City Development john.ramsden@leeds.gov.uk</p> |

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| Chapelton Enterprise Network - Asset Transfer Community Asset Transfer of Chapelton Enterprise Centre and Leeds Media Centre to Unity Enterprise Ltd | Executive Board (Portfolio: Development and the Economy) | 27/7/11 | Ward Members, Exec Member | The report to be issued to the decision maker with the agenda for the meeting | neil.charlesworth@leeds.gov.uk |
| Permit Scheme for Road Works To approve the implementation of a scheme that requires all work promoters to apply for a permit to work on part of the road network of Leeds | Executive Board (Portfolio: Development and the Economy) | 27/7/11 | Full stakeholder consultation from 15/12/10 to 09/03/11 | The report to be issued to the decision maker with the agenda for the meeting | Director of City Development philip.mitchell@leeds.gov.uk |

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