



Agenda

Meeting: Executive

Members: Councillors Carl Les (Chairman), Gareth Dadd, Derek Bastiman, Michael Harrison, Simon Myers, Janet Sanderson, David Chance, Keane Duncan, Greg White and Annabel Wilkinson.

Date: Tuesday, 23rd January 2024

Time: 11.00 am

Venue: Meeting Room 3, County Hall, Northallerton, DL7 8AD

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Business

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 January 2024** (Pages 5 - 8)

3. **Declarations of Interest**

4. **Public Participation**

Members of the public may ask questions or make statements at this meeting if they have given notice to Melanie Carr of Democratic and Scrutiny Services and supplied the text (contact details below) by midday on 18 January 2024, three working days before the day of the meeting. Each speaker should limit themselves to 3 minutes on any item. Members of the public who have given notice will be invited to speak:

- at this point in the meeting if their questions/statements relate to matters which are not otherwise on the Agenda (subject to an overall time limit of 30 minutes);
- when the relevant Agenda item is being considered if they wish to speak on a matter which is on the Agenda for this meeting.

If you are exercising your right to speak at this meeting, but do not wish to be recorded, please inform the Leader who will instruct anyone who may be taking a recording to cease while you speak.

5. Revenue Budget 2024/25 and Medium Term Financial Strategy (Pages 9 - 230)
Purpose of Report:

To seek approval for, and makes recommendations to the County Council regarding:

- Revenue Budget 2024/25 & Medium Term Financial Strategy to 2026/27
- North Yorkshire Council Capital Five Year Spending Plan
- Treasury Management and Capital Strategy
- Housing Revenue Account Budget 2024/25 & Medium Term Financial Plan

6. Second Homes Council Tax Premium (Pages 231 - 244)
Recommendations

The Executive is asked to recommend to full Council that implementation of the following be approved:

- (a) The application of the current premium of 100% for all dwellings which are unoccupied and substantially unfurnished (empty dwellings) from a period of one year with effect from 1st April 2024;
- (b) The application of a premium of 100% for all dwellings which are unoccupied but substantially furnished (second homes) with effect from 1st April 2025; and
- (c) That the Section 151 Officer is given delegated powers to implement the policy in line with the Council's requirements and any guidance given by the Secretary of State or regulation

7. Council Plan 2024- 2028 (Pages 245 - 308)
Recommendations

That the Executive

- i) Approves the draft Council Plan and recommends it to full Council for approval at its meeting on 21 February 2024, and
- ii) Recommends that full Council authorise the Chief Executive to make any necessary changes to the text, including reflecting decisions made by the Council on the budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy, and updated performance data and key performance indicators.

8. Director of Public Health Annual Report (Pages 309 - 376)
Recommendations

The Executive is asked to:

- i) Note the content of the Director of Public Health Annual Report 2022-2023.
- ii) Consider the recommendations made within the report and how these relate to the whole local authority.

9. Admission Arrangements 2025/2026 (Pages 377 - 440)
Recommendation

The Executive is asked to recommend the proposed Admission Arrangements for 2025/2026 to full Council for approval on 21 February 2024 and include:

- the proposed co-ordinated admission arrangements (appendix 1)
- the proposed co-ordinated in year admission arrangements (appendix 1a)
- the proposed admission policy for community and voluntary controlled schools (appendix 2)
- the proposed admission policy for nursery schools, schools with nursery classes and pre-reception classes (appendix 3)
- the proposed published admission numbers (PAN's) for community and voluntary

controlled schools as shown in appendices 6 (Primary) and 7 (Secondary)

- Proposed changes to school catchment area – Thirsk School and Sixth Form College (appendix 8)

10. Fountains Earth, Lofthouse, Church of England Endowed VC Primary School – School Closure Proposal Recommendations (Pages 441 - 526)

The Executive is asked to approve that:

- i) Statutory proposals and notices be published on 1 February 2024 proposing to cease to maintain Fountains Earth, Lofthouse CE Endowed Primary School with effect from 31 March 2024.
- ii) The proposals include that from 1 April 2024 the parishes of Stonebeck Up, Stonebeck Down, Fountains Earth, Bewerley, and High and Low Bishopdale (the current catchment area of Fountains Earth Primary School) will become part of the catchment area for St Cuthbert's CE Primary School, Pateley Bridge.
- iii) A final decision on these proposals be scheduled for the Executive meeting on 19 March 2024.

11. Proposed Selective Licensing scheme in Scarborough Recommendations (Pages 527 - 594)

The Executive is asked to:

- i. Consider the feedback from the public consultation exercise on the Selective Licensing of private rented accommodation.
- ii. Approve the introduction of a Council led scheme for the Selective Licensing of Private Rented Accommodation in the area defined as 'Scarborough Town'. This area incorporates parts of the Castle, Falsgrave and Stepney and Northstead divisions as shown on the map in Appendix C of the report.
- iii. Instruct officers to prepare and publish a Public Notice of Designation under sections 80 and 83 of the Housing Act 2004.
- iv. Approve the proposed fee structure along with recommended discounts and exemptions as set out at paragraph 11.4 of this report.
- v. Approve the policy for the Selective Licensing of Private Rented Accommodation, and undertake any amendments as highlighted within this report.
- vi. Instruct officers to explore the potential for a wider neighbourhood renewal focus to complement the scheme, which would consider the involvement of other key Council service areas

12. Approval of criteria and fee for entry on to the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding register Recommendation: (Pages 595 - 616)

The Executive are asked to approve the introduction of a new Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Register for North Yorkshire with local connection eligibility criteria and an administration fee.

13. Allocations Scheme for the Provision of Social Housing Recommendations (Pages 617 - 766)

The Executive is asked to:

- i) Note the contents of the report, the proposed Allocations Policy, consultation responses and the Equality Impact Assessment.
- ii) Approve the Allocations Policy, to become effective from no later than 1st April 2025
- iii) Approve the contingency funding for additional staffing and communications budget totalling £10,000 from the HRA working balance.
- iv) Delegate to the Assistant Director Housing authority the making of any minor

amendments to the Allocations Policy as needed by changes to regulation or legislation

14. Forward Plan (Pages 767 - 784)

15. Any Other Items

Any other items which the Leader agrees should be considered as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances

16. Date of Next Meeting - 6 February 2024

Members are reminded that in order to expedite business at the meeting and enable Officers to adapt their presentations to address areas causing difficulty, they are encouraged to contact Officers prior to the meeting with questions on technical issues in reports.

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