North Yorkshire Council

Executive

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11th June 2024 commencing at 11.00 am.

Councillor Carl Les in the Chair. Councillors Gareth Dadd, Keane Duncan, Simon Myers, Heather Phillips, Janet Sanderson, Greg White and Annabel Wilkinson.

Officers present: Karl Battersby, Stuart Carlton, Gary Fielding, Nic Harne, Barry Khan, John Holden, Howard Emmett, Elizabeth Jackson, Daniel Harry and two members of the media team.

Apologies: Councillors Mark Crane and Michael Harrison.

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

465 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mark Crane and Michael Harrison.

466 Minutes of the Meetings held on 21 May 2024 and 28 May 2024

Resolved -

That the public Minutes of the meetings held on 21 May 2024 and 28 May 2024, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and confirmed by the Chairman as a correct record.

467 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

468 Exclusion of the Public

Resolved -

That on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Minute no 470 – CYPS Schools Capital Programme should there be a requirement to discuss the information contained in Appendix B to the report.

469 Public Participation

There were no public questions or statements.

470 CYPS Schools Capital Programme

Considered -

A report of the Corporate Director – Children and Young People's Service presenting the Schools Condition Capital Programme for 2024/25 for approval.

Councillor Annabel Wilkinson, Executive Member for Education, Learning and Skills, presented the report and advised that the council had received a Schools Condition funding allocation of £5,883,316 for 2024/25 for community and voluntary controlled schools only. The amount was lower than in previous years due to schools converting to academy status. There was currently a backlog of maintenance of £22.3 million and further planned maintenance of £73.3m over the next 5 years and it was important that investment was focussed on the most significant issues. Investment priorities were agreed by the Executive in 2022 and were listed at section 5.2 of the report.

Resolved (unanimously) – that:

- i) the proposed Schools Capital Programme for 2024/25 as summarised in Appendix A be approved
- ii) the Planned Capital Maintenance Programme for 2024/25 as set out in Appendix B be approved
- the continuation of the approach for dealing with any schools that convert to Academy status following the approval of the programme as laid out in paragraph 3.3 be agreed

471 National Childcare Expansion Programme for Early Years and Wraparound Provision

Considered -

A report of the Corporate Director – Children and Young People's Service providing information on the plan to manage the National Expansion of Childcare grant funding for Early Years and Wraparound Provision through Capital and Revenue grants. The funding was to be administered through NYC through an application process where existing and new providers applied to support the council to meet its sufficiency duties.

Councillor Annabel Wilkinson, Executive Member for Education, Learning and Skills, presented the report which followed a grant acceptance report considered by the Executive in November 2023. The ambition was that by 2026 all parents and carers of primary school-aged children would be able to access term-time childcare from 8 am to 6 pm, either in school or another setting, to enable parents to access employment and improve labour market participation. Paragraph 5.3 set out a proposed approach to distribution of the funds.

Resolved (unanimously) – that:

- i) the approach (section 5.3) to the allocation of the programme and capital funds to providers be approved
- ii) the Corporate Director Children and Young People's Service be delegated the authority to administer the grant in line with those principles

472 Administrative amendments to the LGPS Discretions Policy

Considered -

A report of the Assistant Chief Executive HR and Business Support presenting minor administrative amendments to the LGPS Discretions Policy and recommending a proposed delegation to the Assistant Chief Executive HR and Business Support to make minor in-year administrative amendments to the Policy.

Councillor Gareth Dadd, Executive Member for Finance and Resources, introduced the report and advised that the proposed amendments related to amending references to the predecessor authority North Yorkshire County Council to North Yorkshire Council.

Resolved (unanimously) – that:

- the proposed amendments to the LGPS Discretions Policy set out in Appendix 1 be recommended to full Council for approval
- ii) it be recommended to full Council that Council delegates to the Assistant Chief Executive HR and Business Support the power to make in-year minor administrative amendments to the LGPS Discretions Policy and that consequential amendments be made to the Constitution by the Assistant Chief Executive Legal and Democratic Services to reflect the delegation

473 Appointment to SACRE and Shareholder Committee

Considered -

A report of the Assistant Chief Executive Legal and Democratic Services setting out appointments to be made by the Executive to the Shareholder Committee and the North Yorkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE).

Resolved – that:

- i) Councillor Mark Crane be appointed to the vacancy on the Shareholder Committee
- ii) Councillor Simon Myers be appointed to the vacancy on the North Yorkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education

474 Forward Plan

Considered -

The Forward Plan for the period 3 June 2024 to 30 June 2025 was presented.

Resolved - That the Forward Plan be noted.

475 Date of Next Meeting - 18 June 2024

The meeting concluded at 11.10 pm.