## Reference Number: BES 13/20

## NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### **DECISION RECORD**

### Re: Driven Carriageway Inspections during Covid-19

This record is produced in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

### This form should be used to record:

- EXECUTIVE decisions (key or otherwise) taken by an individual Executive MEMBER; and
- EXECUTIVE decisions (key or otherwise) taken by an OFFICER (either alone or in consultation with an Executive Member)
- A non-Executive decision taken by an OFFICER which falls into one of the following descriptions:-
  - (i) under a specific express authorisation; or
  - (ii) under a general authorisation to officers to take such decisions and, the effect of the decision is to
    - grant a permission or licence;
    - affect the rights of an individual; or
    - award a contract or incur expenditure which, in either case, materially affects that relevant local government body's financial position.

(One form per decision)

### The following decision has been taken: -

To amend the current Highways Services Inspection Manual V2.0 to permit in the current exceptional circumstances due to the outbreak of Covid-19 for single person highway inspections of all categories of road for which the Highway Authority is responsible.

**By whom:** David Bowe, Corporate Director – Business and Environmental Services, in consultation with Executive Member, County Councillor Don Mackenzie

#### On: 7 May 2020

Was this an executive decision? If an executive decision, was it also a key decision? **decision by an officer, is <u>NOT</u> OPEN TO CALL IN]**  YES NO [as a non-key

## Reasons for decision: -

The intention is to minimise the risk to the Council's employees by adhering to the Government requirement for social distancing and so that highway inspections are carried out within Public Health England Guidelines during the emergency period.

### Details of any alternative options considered and rejected: -

N/a

# **Conflicts of Interest**

Please record below details of any conflict of interest declared by a Member or Officer regarding the decision and any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee or Monitoring Officer in respect of that conflict.

| Dispensation? |
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## **Background Papers**

Please attach to this decision notice, for publication, the background papers that disclose any facts or matters on which this decision, or an important part of the decision, was based and which were relied on to a material extent in making the decision, but this does not include published works or those which disclose exempt or confidential information (as defined in Rule 10).

| Signed                            | Publication Date: 13 May 2020  |
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| DAVID BOWE                        | Note 1 regarding Executive decisions only:<br>This decision will come into force, and may<br>then be implemented, on the expiry of 5 clear   |
| Directorate                       | working days after publication, unless any 6<br>members of the Council object to it and call it  |
| Business & Environmental Services | in by notice in writing (including e-mail) to The<br>Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and<br>Democratic Services).<br>Note 2: non-executive and non-key executive<br>decisions by Officers are not subject to call in. |

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