

**Decisions to be considered by
Extraordinary Council on
5 November 2020**

Decisions of the meeting of the Cabinet held
at 9.30 am on Tuesday, 3rd November, 2020
at the Virtual Meeting via Teams

Present

Councillor M S Robson (in the Chair)

Councillor	P R Wilkinson	Councillor	M G Taylor
	Mrs B S Fortune		S Watson
	Mrs I Sanderson		D A Webster

Also in Attendance

Councillor	P Atkin	Councillor	K G Hardisty
	P Bardon		R W Hudson
	M A Barningham		R Kirk
	D B Elders		J Noone
	B Griffiths		

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors , and

CA.4 Northallerton Town Square Improvement Scheme
Northallerton North and Brompton Ward

The subject of the decision:

This report sought approval to proceed with the delivery of the Northallerton Town Square and High Street Improvements Scheme in advance of a decision by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on the Council's Future High Street Fund bid.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

The York and North Yorkshire Local Enterprise Partnership had issued a variation to the original Grant Funding Agreement for the Connections Scheme, to enable the remaining funding to be used on further improvements to the High Street, Ginnels and area around the Town Hall Square. The funding agreement ensured that the grant was spent correctly, that legal requirements were met and that the grant was properly publicised and closely monitored.

The decision:

That Cabinet approves and recommends to Council that:-

- (1) the Northallerton Town Square and High Street Improvement Scheme is implemented; and
- (2) the capital contribution of £1,212,475 to deliver the scheme is approved which will be funded as described in paragraph 4.3 of the report.

CA.5 **Local Government Restructure in York and North Yorkshire**

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report presented the York and North Yorkshire Local Government Reorganisation Case for Change (“the Case for Change”) prepared on behalf of the seven North Yorkshire District Councils of Craven, Hambleton, Harrogate, Richmondshire, Ryedale, Scarborough and Selby. The report sought the view of Cabinet on whether to submit the Case for Change to the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government (“MHCLG”) in response to the letter received by all the District Councils from the MHCLG on 9 October 2020 inviting proposals for unitary local government for the York and North Yorkshire area. Initial proposals must be submitted by 9 November 2020 and final proposals by 9 December 2020.

Alternative options considered:

Cabinet discussed various options relating to the submission of the Case for Change to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, including retaining the status quo.

The reason for the decision:

Cabinet was not satisfied that the submission of the Case for Change to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government was in the best interests of the residents of Hambleton.

The decision:

That Cabinet approves and recommends to Council that:-

- (1) it be noted that on 9 October 2020 the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government invited proposals for unitary local government for York and North Yorkshire;
- (2) Council determines that the function of deciding on the response to the invitation from the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government pursuant to the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 is a function for the Council;

- (3) the report produced by KPMG on the York and North Yorkshire Case for Change not be submitted to the Government by the District Council; and
- (4) that representations be submitted by the District Council to the Government setting out the basis for retaining the status quo.

The meeting closed at 10.45 am

Leader of the Council