



Meeting: **SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**  
Date: **27 JULY 2011**  
Time: **5.00PM**  
Venue: **COMMITTEE ROOM 2**  
To: **Councillors I Chilvers, M Dyson, K Ellis, M Hobson,  
D Mackay, Mrs W Nichols (Chair), C Pearson, D Peart,  
R Price (Vice Chair)**

## Agenda

### 1. Apologies for absence

### 2. Minutes

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 21 June 2011 Pages 3 to 6 attached

### 3. Disclosures of Interest

Members of the Scrutiny Committee should disclose personal or prejudicial interest(s) in any item on this agenda.

### 4. Chair's Address to the Scrutiny Committee and Work Programme

### 5. Scrutiny Report S/11/1 – Call In Executive Decision E/11/6 Selby College Sports Pitch

Report back on Executive Ruling on E/11/6

### 6. Call In

To allow the Committee to consider any items Called In from the Executive meeting on 7 July 2011.

### 7. S/11/4 – Transport Provision (April 2011 Round of Cuts to Bus Services and Impact on Communities), Work Programme item

Report of the Executive Director (S151) pages 7 to 12 attached

Q & A Session with Arriva Representatives – Stuart Bear (Commercial Manager) and Michael Watson (new Area Manager); and Richard Owens, NYCC Passenger Transport Team

**8. Work Programme item – New Homes Bonus**

For the Committee to scope the issues they wish to discuss on this item

**9. Scrutiny Committee Work Programme**

To consider the Committee's Work programme Pages 13 to 14 attached

**Jonathan Lund**  
**Deputy Chief Executive**

<b>Dates of next meetings</b>
20 September 2011
25 October 2011 (Provisional)
22 November 2011
20 December 2011 (Provisional)
31 January 2012 (Provisional)
21 February 2012 (Provisional)
20 March 2012
23 April 2012 (Provisional)

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## Scrutiny Committee

- Venue: Committee Room 2
- Date: 21 June 2011
- Present: Councillor Mrs W Nichols (Chair), Councillor I Chilvers, Councillor M Dyson, Councillor K Ellis, Councillor D Mackay, Councillor C Pearson and Councillor R Price
- Apologies for Absence: Councillors D Peart and M Hobson
- Also Present: Councillor M Crane, Councillor Mrs G Ivey, Councillor Mrs D Davies, Martin Eden, Wigan Leisure and Culture Trust, Alan Stewart, Principal Selby College and Vernon Wells, Chair of Board of Governors Selby College
- Officers Present: Karen Iveson, Executive Director; Keith Dawson, Director of Community Services, Sarah Smith, Business Manager (for agenda item 4); Glenn Shelley and Richard Besley, Democratic Services

### **1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **2. CHAIR'S ADDRESS TO THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

The Chair welcomed councillors to the first meeting of the new Scrutiny Committee. The Committee would have a busy and varied Work Programme to progress in the coming months. In light of this it was agreed that the provisional meeting scheduled for 27 July 2011 would go ahead.

The Committee considered the start time for meetings and agreed 5pm for a period of six months.

The Committee agreed that Agenda item 4,- Call In of Executive Decision E/11/6 be dealt with at the end of the Agenda so that persons invited to address the Committee may be present.

**RESOLVED:**

**That Scrutiny Committee meetings commence at 5.00pm for a six month trial period.**

**REASON FOR DECISIONS:**

To accommodate councillors with work commitments.

**3. SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME – SC/11/2**

The report was presented by Glenn Shelley, Democratic Services Manager. He outlined the constitutional requirements for the Work Programme and the need to present it to both the Executive and Council. It was stressed that the Work Programme was owned by the Committee and was presented for councillor input.

The Committee raised the use of Working Groups to consider items in depth and the level of officer input that would be required. Councillors discussed the breadth of topics that could be included as part of the item on Transport Provision in the programme for the July meeting. It was agreed that the item should concentrate on the impact on our communities of the cuts in bus services.

The New Homes Bonus was also on the programme for July. However it was felt that further consideration with the Executive was required to identify the most appropriate time to consider the issue.

**RESOLVED:**

**To receive and note the report.**

**REASONS FOR DECISIONS:**

The Committee ensures the contribution of Scrutiny is effective in supporting service improvement and delivery against district wide and Council priorities.

**4. YEAR END PERFORMANCE INDICATOR REVIEW 2010/2011 – SC/11/3**

The report was presented by Karen Iveson Executive Director and outlined the Council's 2010/2011 year-end performance on key performance indicators.

The Committee discussed the results from the report and in particular those which were below target. The Executive Director highlighted the performance targets for leisure services and the impact of the refurbishment works at Abbey Leisure and the essential maintenance at Tadcaster Leisure. On a positive note, councillors heard that gym memberships at Abbey Leisure were exceeding the targets set.

Waste collection was an item within the report and the Committee felt that this was a matter to be discussed under the Access Selby Service Provision topic on the work programme for 20 September, this was agreed.

#### **RESOLVED:**

**To receive and note the report.**

#### **REASONS FOR DECISIONS:**

To ensure the scrutiny of ongoing management of performance and improvement data assists the Authority in achieving its strategic themes and priorities.

#### **5. CALL IN EXECUTIVE DECISION (E/11/6) SELBY COLLEGE SPORTS PITCH – SC/11/1**

The report was presented by Karen Iveson, Executive Director. It provided details of a Call In request that had been received in respect of Executive Report E/11/6.

The Committee considered the reasons for call in. It was agreed to first hear the views from the persons invited to the meeting.

First to address the Committee was Mark Crane, Leader of Council, who provided the background to the report and the reason for the decision. The Executive felt that their decision to switch the location of the pitch from Selby College to Abbey Leisure Centre offered greater reward to Selby District Council and residents.

Next to speak was Martin Eden, Wigan Leisure and Culture Trust (WLCT), who highlighted the deterioration of the existing all-weather pitch at Abbey Leisure Centre and how the Council funding would provide a much improved facility. WLCT estimated an income of £40k from the improved facility and would be prepared to underwrite that value of income. Martin Eden advised councillors that the current pitch would soon reach the end of its lifespan and would be unfit for use. This would create an income shortfall of £17k which WLCT could seek to recoup in a renegotiated contract with Selby District Council.

Mr Eden was asked how WLCT had arrived at their income projections for a new pitch. The Committee heard that they were based on the viewing of similar facilities elsewhere and the utilisation of the facility as three pitches instead of the current practice of two.

He also informed the Committee that the introduction of a 3G pitch would expand current usage to Rugby and, in addition, of negotiations with the Rugby Football League (RFL) for the introduction of a Rugby League Development Officer, funded by the RFL, that would benefit the community.

Mr Alan Stewart, Principal of Selby College addressed the Committee and gave the background to the original scheme going back to 2002 and the plan to develop a premier facility by Selby College, Selby District Council and Sport England.

Mr Stewart informed the Committee that, had they been aware that Selby Council was considering working with WLCT, they would have been happy to consider a number of options including a facility, administered by WLCT, using College land and facilities.

Vernon Wells, on behalf of the Board of Governors, supported the views of Mr Stewart and felt disappointed by the withdrawal of Council funding.

The Committee asked if the College were in a position to move forward independently with alternative funding. Mr Stewart explained that funding from the Football Foundation may be an option, however given the current economic climate it was unlikely the College would be able to raise the funds required.

Having heard from all parties invited to the meeting, the Chair thanked them all for valued input and the Committee returned to the matter of the validity of the Call In. Following a vote, the Committee accepted the Call In as valid. The Committee then voted on the options available and the decision was made to refer the matter back to the Executive further consideration.

**RESOLVED:**

- i) Executive Decision E/11/6 – Selby College Sports Pitch is accepted as a valid Call In;**
- ii) Executive Decision E/11/6 – Selby College Sports Pitch is referred back to the Executive for further consideration.**

**REASONS FOR DECISIONS:**

The Committee considered that all matters had not been taken into account in reach a decision.

The meeting concluded at 6.30pm.



**Report Reference Number S/11/4**

**Agenda Item No: 7**

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**To:** Scrutiny Committee  
**Date:** 27 July 2011  
**Author:** Glenn Shelley, Democratic Services Manager  
**Lead Officer:** Karen Iveson, Executive Director (S151)

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**Title: Transport Provision (April 2011 Round of Cuts to Bus Services and Impact on Communities)**

**Summary:** It was agreed, at the Scrutiny Committee meeting on the 21 June 2011, that the Transport Provision topic concentrating on the impact on our communities of the cuts in bus services should be considered.

**Recommendation:**

**Councillors scrutinise the provision of Transport Provision in the Selby District.**

**Reason for recommendation**

The Committee ensures the contribution of Scrutiny is effective in supporting service improvement and delivery against district wide and Council priorities.

#### **1. Introduction and background**

NYCC are proposing to withdraw funding from Arriva Bus Services and NYCC had invited views and comments to them before 31 October 2010. Since this date NYCC have tendered a revenue withdrawal document and commercial journey withdrawals – proposals document.

Scrutiny Committee need to review the:

- Impact on communities to bus services
- The integration between bus and rail services
- Transport facilities for young people to access leisure facilities and study the example in use at Hemingbrough
- Transport funding

## 2. The Report

2.1 The Arriva – NYCC proposed service cuts PAX info (appendix A) document details the proposed cuts to funding of Arriva journeys from April 2011 and the Bus Services are listed in the document.

2.2 The Arriva – NYCC Tendered Revenue Withdrawal proposal document (appendix B) details the commercial journey withdrawals however the document states that these changes are still being reviewed and further service and journeys may encounter further changes.

2.3 In attendance at the meeting to discuss the cuts to bus services will be Stuart Bear (Commercial Manager) and Michael Watson (New Area Manager) Arriva.

2.4 In attendance, Richard Owens, NYCC Passenger Transport Team, representing NYCC.

2.5 Questions received so far:

Cllr	Question
Dyson	Funding / subsidies for bus services crossing local authority boundaries; ie, Selby/Leeds and Selby/York?
Cattanach	<p>Q: If local communities, ie parish or town councils wish it to be known that they are willing to put their money towards safeguarding or resurrecting a bus service, how would they go about it? Who would they speak to?</p> <p>Q: Will NYCC be putting recently axed routes up for tender in the future or will they be consulting these communities to see if there is a desire to reintroduce?</p> <p>Q: If a bus route, such as the 42 Selby-Cawood-York, crosses council boundaries how would NYCC bring all parties together to see if sufficient funding is available.</p> <p><b>ADVISORY: It should be noted that this situation has also arisen with Leeds for the Selby-Sherburn-Leeds route.</b></p> <p>Q: Two routes, based on Whitby, were saved but a fare supplement introduced. Could Stuart and Richard explain the reasoning behind that decision and why Arriva preferred not to do it in the case of the 42?</p>



### **3. Legal and Financial issues**

#### **3.1 Legal Issues**

Any legal issues arising will be identified in the relevant report at the time of consideration by the Committee.

#### **3.2 Financial Issues**

There is a defined budget available for the ad hoc costs associated with the support of Task and Finish Groups. A budget has been allocated for officer time in supporting the committee and this will be closely monitored.

### **4. Conclusion**

### **5. Background Documents**

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**Appendices:**      **Arriva – NYCC proposed service cuts PAX info**  
                         **Arriva – NYCC Tendered Revenue Withdrawal**

NYCC are proposing to withdraw funding from the following Arriva journeys from

**APRIL 2011**

NYCC would welcome your views and comments by contacting them before 31<sup>st</sup> October 2010. The details are on the front of this leaflet

Please do not contact Arriva Yorkshire as the decision on any changes is in the control of your local authority

**Service7 Abbots Road**

Mon-Sat	All journeys after	19:00
Sun	All journeys	

**42 Selby – Cawood – York**

Friday & Saturday	Selby – York	19:30 & 22:00.
	York – Selby	19:25 (Friday nights)
	York – Selby	19:15(Saturday Nights)
	York – Selby	20:30 & 2300 (Friday & Saturday Nights)

Sunday	All journeys	
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**400 Selby – Goole**

Mon – Sat	Selby – Goole	19:10 & 21:10
	Goole – Selby	20:00 & 22:00

**403 & 406 Selby – Leeds**

Mon – Sat	Selby – Leeds	18:55 & 20:55
	Leeds - Selby	20:10 & 2210
	Selby – Sherburn	23:10 (2300 from Abbots Rd)

Sunday	All journeys	(includes Selby – Thorpe service)
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**405 & 407 Selby – Doncaster**

Mon-Fri	Selby – Hut Green	18:25
	Selby – Doncaster	21:25
	Doncaster – Selby	22:45
Saturday	Selby – Doncaster	21:25

Sunday	All daytime journeys.	
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Some non-tendered 405/407 evening journeys may to be affected due to these changes.

**415 Selby - York**

Mon – Wed	Selby to York	21:20
	Selby – Riccall	23:25
	York – Selby	23:08

Some non-tendered 415 evening journeys may be affected due to these changes

## NORTH YORKSHIRE TENDERED REVENUE WITHDRAWAL

### COMMERCIAL JOURNEY WITHDRAWALS - PROPOSALS

#### Monday to Friday

Potential for withdrawing: -

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| Ser 7   | 0715 Abbots Road to Selby<br>1805 Selby to Abbots Road<br>1810 Abbots Road to Selby   |
| Ser 150 | 0708 Brayton to Selby<br>0902 Whitley Bridge to Selby (may operate from Brayton)  |
| Ser 400 | 1810 Selby to Goole – to curtail at West Cowick<br>1900 Goole to Selby  |
| Ser 403 | 0535 Selby to Leeds<br>0700 Leeds to Sherburn (commence at 0752 from Sherburn)<br>0605 Selby to Leeds<br>0640 Sherburn to Selby |
| Ser 407 | 1925 Selby to Doncaster<br>2045 Doncaster to Selby  |
| Ser 415 | Under review – may be reduced to 1 ½ frequency  |

Please note the network is still being reviewed and further service and journeys may encounter further changes.

## **Saturday**

To withdraw: -

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| Ser 7   | 0810 Abbots Road to Selby<br>1805 Selby to Abbots Road<br>1810 Abbots Road to Selby                      |
| Ser 400 | 1810 Selby to Goole to curtail at West Cowick<br>1900 Goole to Selby                                     |
| Ser 407 | 1825 Selby to Hut Green<br>1925 Selby to Doncaster<br>2045 Doncaster to Selby<br>2245 Doncaster to Selby |
| Ser 415 | Under review   |

## **Sunday**

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| Ser 407 | 2045 Ex Doncaster – curtail journey at 2136 at Hut Green<br>2130 Ex Selby – to commence journey at Hut Green at 2144 |
| Ser 415 | Under review   |

**Draft Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2011/12**

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Action Required</b>
21 June 2011	Time of Meetings	Agreed to start at 5:00pm for six month trial
	Work Programme	Agreed
	Year End Performance	Noted
27 July 2011	Transport Provision – i) April 2011 Round of Cuts to Bus Services and impact on Communities	To scrutinise the provision of transport across Selby District
	New Homes Bonus	To scrutinise the impacts on Selby District
20 September 2011	Access Selby Service Provision i) Waste Collection and recycling.	To scrutinise an aspect of service provision by Access Selby
	Crime and Disorder Review	To review with representatives from the Police, the levels of crime and disorder across Selby District
	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Interim Corporate Plan Review	To review performance against the Corporate Plan

	Section 106 Agreements	To review how Section 106 money is allocated and spent.
22 November 2011	Nigel Adams MP	Subject to availability. To ask questions of the Selby and Ainsty MP regarding issues of concern for councillors.
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Corporate Plan Report.	To review performance against the Corporate Plan
	Access Selby Service Provision	To scrutinise an aspect of service provision by Access Selby
20 March 2011	Access Selby Service Provision	To scrutinise an aspect of service provision by Access Selby
	Health Service Provision	To discuss the provision of Health Services across the district.
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Corporate Plan Report.	To review performance against the Corporate Plan
	Scrutiny Annual Report 2011/12 and Work Programme 2012/13	To discuss the Scrutiny Annual Report for 2011/12 and to agree the draft work programme for 2012/13

- Please note that any items ‘called in’ will be considered at the next available meeting.
- Councillor Call For Action will also be considered as the next available meeting.