



MINUTES

Operational Management Committee

Date:	Tuesday, 10 September 2019
Venue:	Town Hall, St Annes.
Committee Members Present:	Councillor Roger Small (Chairman) Councillor Tommy Threlfall (Vice-Chairman) Councillors Mark Bamforth (via remote access), Alan Clayton, Chris Dixon, Paul Hodgson, John Kirkham, Kiran Mulholland, David O'Rourke, Stan Trudgill.
Other Councillors Present:	Councillor Karen Buckley
Officers Present:	Kathy Winstanley, Darren Bell, Andrew Loynd, Sharon Wadsworth, Ross McKelvie
Other Attendees:	One member of the public was in attendance.

Prior to the start of the meeting the Chairman, Councillor Small, expressed his thanks to all the teams involved for a wonderful job of keeping the area clean and tidy over the weekend during the Kite Festival.

Public Platform

There were no speakers on this occasion.

1. Declarations of Interest

Members were reminded that any disclosable pecuniary interests should be declared as required by the Localism Act 2011 and any personal or prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members. No interests were declared on this occasion.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Operational Management Committee meeting held on 20 June 2019 as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

3. Substitute Members

No substitutions were reported under Council procedure rule 23 (c):

Decision Items

4. Charging Infrastructure for Electric Taxis

Andrew Loynd, Technical Support Manager, presented a report detailing the successful joint bid, led by Lancaster City Council, to the Department of Transport for the installation of electric charging points for taxis across the county.

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Fylde Council would receive £105,000 of the grant for the installation of 4 ‘Rapid’ electric vehicle charging points spread around the Borough, located near to areas that are frequented by taxis or are on frequent routes between common destinations as advised by the taxi trade.

It was hoped that the provision of a charging network would encourage taxi companies and drivers to invest in electric vehicles which would in turn encourage the wider public to consider electric vehicles as a viable alternative to standard powered vehicles.

Mr. Loynd advised members that the charging points would be opened to the public until such a time that sufficient electric taxis were operational in the local area, at which point the charging points would be restricted to be used by taxis only.

Mr. Loynd answered questions from members in relation to the tender process, charging infrastructure and potential locations of the charging points.

It was unanimously RESOLVED:

1. To support the taxi electric charging joint project led by Lancaster City Council;
2. To request that the Finance and Democracy Committee approve a fully-funded addition to the Capital Programme for 2019/20 in the sum of £105,000 for the provision of taxi charging points, to be met by a grant from central government for this purpose in the same amount;
3. Subject to (2) above, to approve the expenditure of £105,000 for the provision of taxi charging points to an appointed contractor subject to appropriate procurement exercise being completed by Lancaster City Council in conjunction with associated district authorities;
4. To allow one of the charging points to be located on Lytham Station Car Park for a period of at least 10 years at a peppercorn rate for up to two spaces; and
5. To delegate authority to the Director of Development Services to negotiate and grant a 10 year Licence at a peppercorn rate to the successful contractor.

Information Items

The following information items were received and noted by the committee.

5. Recycling, Bulky Waste and Flytipping

Report on the current arrangements in place for the collection of recycling from the kerbside and plans to extend the range of materials collected, the bulking waste service and the impact and cost of flytipping.

6. Customer Channel Migration – Social Media

Report on recent development of the council’s social media platforms in addition to the more traditional channels of communication.

7. General Fund Revenue Budget Monitoring Report 2019/20 - Position as at 31st July 2019

Report on the General Fund Revenue Budget of the Council as at 31st July 2019 for those areas under the remit of the Committee.

8. Capital Programme Monitoring Report 2019/20 –Position as at 31st July 2019

Report on the approved Capital Programme of the Council as at 31st July 2019 for those schemes under the remit of the Committee.

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