

FUTURE OF THE YEP

Issue: The current term of the York Economic Partnership ends at this meeting and this provides an opportunity to review how we do things. Any change needs to reflect

- (a) an approach which is business friendly and sensitive to availability of senior partners
- (b) changes to how the city does economic development and board structures around Make it York
- (c) potential future changes such as devolution and budget pressures.

Proposal:

That we change the current format of the York Economic Partnership to:

- A breakfast/ evening networking event, focused on a key issue (e.g. York Central, the rail industry cluster, devolution) with a widened invite list.
- A series of task and finish groups, where delivery bodies/boards aren't already in place, to focus on delivery of the Economic Strategy
- A quarterly newsletter providing an update of what is going on from the council relating to business, and progress of the economic strategy, to be disseminated by partners.

If alternatively, current board arrangements are maintained, a new chair will need to be elected for the subsequent meeting.