

Area Constituency

Harrogate & Knaresborough – 8 January 2021

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<u>Members Seminar 6 Jan = Recap & Questions?</u>

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Headlines for NYCC

- 1. £82m cash shortfall projected over next 3 years
- 2. £30m recurring shortfall at end of MTFS (BUT.....)
- 3. So many moving parts = big health warnings on all forecasts
 - 1. No Spending Review beyond 2021/22 further austerity to follow?
 - 2. Covid duration and legacy?
 - 3. LGR
- 4. 2021/22 balanced mostly through one-off Government funding and Reserves
- 5. Council Tax consideration
- 6. 2022/23 can be balanced through Reserves should that be required but not sustainable so will need STRONG & CREDIBLE PLAN

North York	shire	Lates	t Fore	cast	
North York County Cou	incil	21-22	22-23	23-24	Total
	Pre-Covid Position	£000	£000	£000	£000
	In-year shortfall	21,547	7,198	5,629	34,373
	Cumulative shortfall	21,547	20,585	21,586	63,718
	Savings from Feb 2020	-8,159	-4,628	-2,584	-15,371
	Post Covid Pressures				
	Council Tax Shortfall	12,920	-2,679	-4,542	5,699
	Business Rates Shortfall	6,465	-2,062	-2,339	2,064
	Net Service Pressures	10,641	-3,049	-804	6,788
	New Savings	-1,791	-461	-20	-2,272
		28,235	-8,251	-7,705	12,279
	Spending Review				
	Govt Income Guarantee Fun	-7,031	7,031	0	0
	LCTS Allocation	-4,709	4,709	0	0
	Social Care Grant	-1,180	0	0	-1,180
	Covid Grant	-10,860	10,860	0	0
	ASC Precept?	0	0	0	0
	NHB One off	-574	574	0	0
		-24,354	23,174	0	-1,180
	Revised Position				
	In year position	17,269	17,492	-4,660	30,101
	Cumulative Shortfall	17,269	34,761	30,101	82,131



Funding

	21-22	22-23	23-24	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Revised Position				
In year position	17,269	17,492	-4,660	30,101
Cumulative Shortfall	17,269	34,761	30,101	82,131
Funding of shortfall:-				
ASC Market Shaping	-5,100	-5,100	-5,100	-15,300
Reserves	-12,169	-29,661	-25,001	-66,831
	-17,269	-34,761	-30,101	-82,131



Net Service Pressures

	21-22	22-23	23-24	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Net Service Pressures				
Savings Non-delivery	2,797	1,938	2,000	6,735
Covid related demand	7,141	-376	50	6,815
Other Growth	5,834	-2,336	-2,308	1,190
Reprofiled Savings	2,639	-1,110	-1,323	206
Change to grant	-150	0	0	-150
Housekeeping	-2,045	0	0	-2,045
Pay	-495	-1,165	-1,223	-2,883
DSG adjustment	-5,080	0	2,000	-3,080
	10,641	-3,049	-804	6,788



Investments

Locality Budgets

£10k per member per annum for 2021/22 and 2022/23 Total cost = £1,440k

Carbon / Environmental Pump Priming Fund

£1m to provide for feasibility etc

Business cases needed for subsequent funding of schemes



Council Tax

Year	General	ASC Precept	Total	Band D C Tax
2015/16	1.99%	-	1.99%	£1,099.98
2016/17	1.99%	2%	3.99%	£1,143.86
2017/18	1.99%	2%	3.99%	£1,189.50
2018/19	2.99%	2%	4.99%	£1,248.85
2019/20	2.99%	2%	4.99%	£1,311.16
2020/21	1.99%	2%	3.99%	£1,363.47
2021/22	1.99%	>3%	>4.99%	
2022/23	1.99%	c/fwd? +	?	



Adult Social Care Precept Options

	21-22	22-23	23-24	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Position at ASC Precept of 1%				
In year position	14,269	17,492	-4,660	27,101
Cumulative Shortfall	14,269	31,761	27,101	73,132
Position at ASC Precept of 2%				
In year position	11,269	17,492	-4,660	24,101
Cumulative Shortfall	11,269	28,761	24,101	64,132
Position at ASC Precept of 3%				
In year position	8,269	17,492	-4,660	21,101
Cumulative Shortfall	8,269	25,761	21,101	55,132



Band D Council Tax Increase Illustration 2021/22

2021/22					
Per annum £	Per month £	Per week £			
27.18	2.27	0.52			
13.59	1.13	0.26			
40.77	3.40	0.78			

General Council Tax @ 1.99%

Adult Social Care Precept @ 1%

Total @ 2.99%



Risks / Issues (Our Plan)

- So much uncertainty = how to budget?
 - Corporate Risk Contingency; Reserves; Survive!
- How address longer term budget shortfall?
 - LGR?; Reserves to buy time; Possible Intermediate Budget later 2021?
- Council tax level to be determined iro Adult Social Care Precept
 - Bird in hand?; Retain flexibility for future?
- Council Tax base / collection rates = still awaiting latest position
 - Next few weeks info from DCs; govt Income Guarantee Fund



Next Steps

Provisional Finance Settlement 17 December Members' Seminar – Directorate Sessions 6 January January Updated C Tax information **Constituency Committee Budget Sessions** Various Executive considers Budget / MTFS 26 January Early Feb? **Final Local Govt Finance Settlement 10** February Members' Seminar – Budget / MTFS County Council Budget / MTFS **17** February Group / Group Leader Meetings On request



Harrogate & Knaresborough – Financial Issues



School Projections - Based on May 2020/21 Start budgets

- 115 LA maintained schools (49%) are projecting an in-year deficit in 2020/21
- 7 schools will move from a surplus balance to a deficit balance by March 2021
- 15% of LA maintained schools are in deficit that is projected to rise to just over one in five by 2021/22 and two out of every five by March 2023.

	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Number of Schools in Deficit	54	47	37	35	55	93
Value of Deficit	£4.4M	£6.0M	£7.2M	£9.4M	£12.5M	£18.3M
Proportion of schools in deficit	19%	18%	15%	15%	23%	40%

North Yorkshire County Council Schools in Financial Difficulty – Harrogate and Knaresborough

10 primary schools, 3 secondary schools, and 1 special school

2020/21	2022/23
4 schools projecting to be in deficit by March 2021; 28.6% schools in Harrogate and Knaresborough	5 schools projecting to be in deficit by March 2023; 36% schools in Harrogate and Knaresborough
2 primaries; 1 secondary and 1 special	4 primaries; 1 secondary
Total value of deficits = £1.1M	Total value of deficits = $\pounds 1.6M$
Average primary deficit = £126k;	Average primary deficit = £92k;
Average secondary deficit = £872k	Average secondary deficit = £1.3M
Average special deficit = £11k	



HAS Budget Issues

The Adult Social Care Budget is managed across five areas:

- Hambleton and Richmondshire
- Scarborough, Whitby, Ryedale
- Selby
- Harrogate
- Craven

The Harrogate and Knaresborough Constituency covers the following budget areas:

• Harrogate



HAS Budget Issues

The Q2 forecast for the financial year show that the Directorate is expected to overspend by £10.3m. This reflects COVID-19 related budget pressures of £13.9m and non-COVID net underspends of £2.7m relating to business-as-usual activity. However, non-financial performance suggests that a large contributory factor to the "business-as-usual" underspend is reduced activity – as a result of COVID. Therefore while the council is seeing increased costs directly related to COVID as described above, reduced activity is having the opposite effect. Examples of these are shown in the table below:

Contacts and Referrals	 contacts in the year to date: down 13.2% on November 2019 referrals year to date: down 18% on 2019
Reablement	 Activity levels for the year to date are down 25% year-on-year
Living Well	 30% reduction in referrals for April – November (details below)



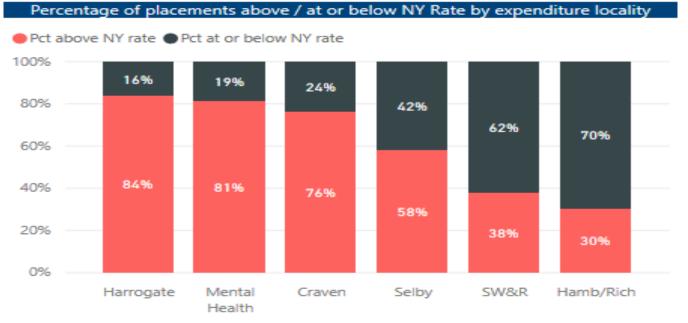
HAS Referrals

Apr-Nov	Referrals		
	2019/20	2020/21	
Other	70	57	-19%
Selby	266	178	-33%
Hambleton & Richmondshire	502	296	-41%
Scarborough, Whitby & Ryedale	817	688	-16%
Harrogate & Craven	981	632	-36%
North Yorks	2636	1851	-30%





• This is reflected in the fact that 94.7% of new residential and nursing payments (i.e. those since April 2020) cost more than the Council's official rate. The figure for Craven is 67.5%. This means that for all existing contracts (including those from before April), the percentage of those paid above those rates is 60% and by locality (excluding NYCC provision) are:



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Harrogate and Knaresborough

- Personal Budgets for Adults with Learning Disabilities have increased across the county since April by 2.2%, with the figure in Harrogate being 3.3%
- The Council is currently finalising an Actual Cost of Care Exercise, working with care providers and CCGs and progress so far suggests that costs in Harrogate are approximately 20% higher than the county average.



Other Market Issues

- The County Council works with 30 residential and nursing homes and 24 home care providers in the constituency. Fee rates for the latter vary between £17.92* and £30.88*. The lowest rate is below the national benchmark but the highest is above the national benchmark.
- Sourcing care packages at home is becoming increasingly difficult throughout the County. 27 of the local residential and care providers do not accept County Council fee rates.



Highways and Transport Schemes

- Junction 47 works on A1(M). Budget = c£8m of which c£1.5m is NYCC
- Harrogate to York rail line improvement (doubling number of trains per hour). Budget = c£8m of which £1.7m is NYCC
- Kex Gill. Budget = c£60m split £5m NYCC, £55m DfT.
- Transforming Cities Fund. Improvements to Harrogate rail station access. Budget £7.8m of which NYCC is £100k.



Other Questions?

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