

Local Government North Yorkshire and York

**Meeting of
Local Government North Yorkshire and York**
to be held on
**Friday 5 December 2014 at
10.30 am at
Scarborough Town Hall (Council Chamber),
St Nicholas Street, Scarborough YO11 2HG**
(Location plan attached)

A G E N D A

1. **Minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2014 and matters arising.**
(Pages 1 to 6)

2. **York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Spatial Plan** – Report of James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer, York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership).
(Report not yet available)

3. **Local Governance for Economic Growth** – Report of James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer, York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership).
(Report not yet available)

4. **Tour of Yorkshire and the Future Direction of the Tourism Strategy** – Presentation by Gary Verity (Chief Executive of Welcome to Yorkshire).

5. **Flooding** – Presentation by Mark Flood (North Yorkshire County Council's Flood Management Officer).

6. **General Updates** – Report of the Honorary Secretary.
(Pages 7 to 9)

7. Arrangements for Future Meetings:-

- Friday 13 March 2015 at 10.30 am, Selby District Council offices.
- Friday 17 July 2015 at 10.30 am, Craven District Council offices.
- Friday 2 October 2015 at 10.30 am, Harrogate Borough Council's Crescent Garden offices.
- Friday 4 December 2015 at 10.30 am, Hambleton District Council offices.

8. Business for Next Meeting.

9. Any other business.

Richard Flinton
Honorary Secretary

County Hall
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28 November 2014
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LGNY Y Membership 2014/15 (as at 28 November 2014)

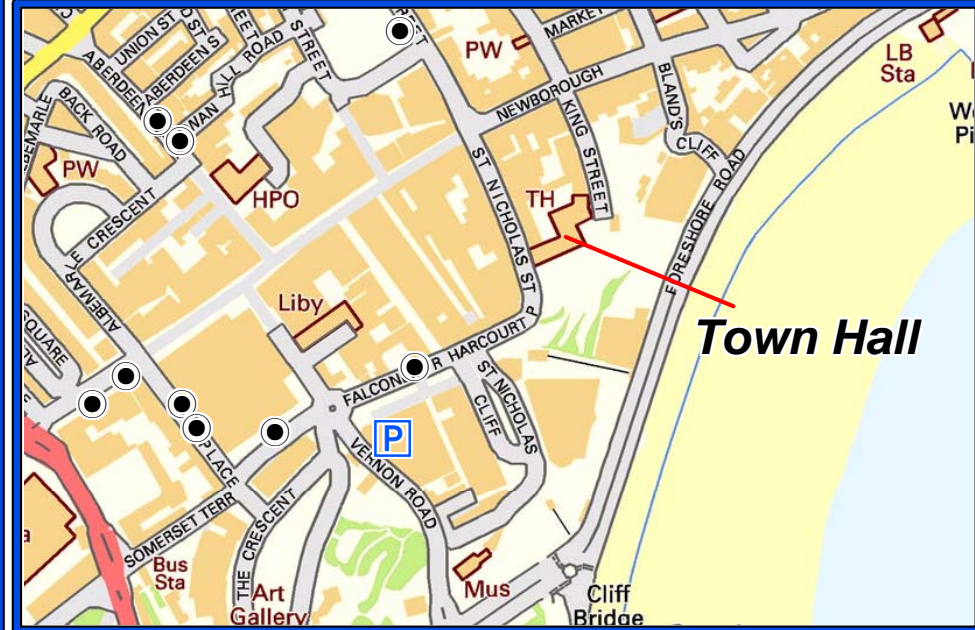
_Constituent Authority	Representative
City of York Council	Member:- Councillor James Alexander Substitute:- Councillor Tracey Simpson-Laing
Craven District Council	Member:- To be elected 2 December 2014 Substitute:- Councillor Richard Foster or another Member of Craven District Council to be appointed by that Council on 2 December 2014
Hambleton District Council	Member:- Councillor Mark Robson Substitute:- Councillor Peter Wilkinson
Harrogate Borough Council	Member:- Councillor Richard Cooper Substitute:- Councillor Phil Ireland
North York Moors National Park Authority	Member:- Mr Jim Bailey Substitute:- Mr Malcolm Bowes
North Yorkshire County Council	Member:- County Councillor John Weighell Substitute:- County Councillor Carl Les
Richmondshire District Council	Member:- Councillor John Blackie Substitute:- Councillor Mick Griffiths
Ryedale District Council	Member:- Councillor Mrs Linda Cowling Substitute:- Vacancy
Scarborough Borough Council	Member:- Councillor Tom Fox Substitute:- Councillor Derek Bastiman
Selby District Council	Member:- Councillor Mark Crane Substitute:- Councillor Gillian Ivey
Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority	Member:- Mr Peter Charlesworth Substitute:- Mr Harold Brown

Paragraph 13.2 of the Constitution states that the Chief Executive of each constituent Authority shall be entitled to attend, but not vote at, each meeting of the LGNY Y, as may any other authorised officer from any constituent Authority.

The following each have a standing invitation to attending LGNY Y meetings:-

- North Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner (*LGNY Y Minute 142*).
- East Riding of Yorkshire Council Leader and Chief Executive or their Substitutes (*LGNY Y Minute 29*)

Scarborough Borough Council



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(Multistorey Car Park)



Scarborough
Railway Station



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St. Nicholas Street
Scarborough
North Yorkshire
YO11 2HG



North
Yorkshire County Council

LOCAL GOVERNMENT NORTH YORKSHIRE AND YORK

**Minutes of the meeting held on Friday 3 October 2014 at 10.30 am at
Richmondshire District Council Offices, Mercury House, Station Road, Richmond**

Present:-

<u>Authority</u>	<u>Member/Advisor(s)</u>
City of York Council	Councillor James Alexander Kersten England (Chief Executive) Mike Slater (Assistant Director (Development Services, Planning and Regeneration))
Craven District Council	Councillor Chris Knowles-Fitton Paul Shevlin (Chief Executive)
Hambleton District Council	Councillor Mark Robson Councillor Peter Wilkinson Justin Ives (Director of Support Services/Deputy Chief Executive)
Harrogate Borough Council	Councillor Phil Ireland (as Substitute for Richard Cooper) Wallace Sampson (Chief Executive)
North Yorkshire County Council	County Councillor John Weighell County Councillor Carl Les Richard Flinton (Chief Executive to the County Council and Honorary Secretary to LGNY)Y) David Bowe (Corporate Director – Business and Environmental Services) Dr Lincoln Sargeant (Director for Public Health for North Yorkshire) Neil Irving (Assistant Director – Policy and Partnerships) Ruth Gladstone (Principal Democratic Services Officer and LGNY)Y Secretariat)
Richmondshire District Council	Councillor John Blackie Tony Clark (Managing Director)
Ryedale District Council	Councillor Linda Cowling (in the Chair) Janet Waggott (Chief Executive)
Scarborough Borough Council	Councillor Derek Bastiman (as Substitute for Tom Fox) Hilary Jones (Deputy Chief Executive)
York, North Yorkshire and East Riding LEP	James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer)
Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority	Peter Charlesworth (Chair) David Butterworth (Chief Executive)

In attendance:- One member of the press.

Apologies for Absence:- Apologies were received from Councillor Mark Crane and Mary Weastell (Selby District Council), Jim Bailey and Andy Wilson (North York Moors National Park Authority, Councillor Stephen Parnaby and Nigel Pearson (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) and Julia Mulligan (North Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner).

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

56. Minutes

Resolved -

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2014, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

57. 2014 Report of the Director for Public Health for North Yorkshire

Considered -

The 2014 Report of the Director of Public Health for North Yorkshire which advised of the health profile of North Yorkshire, areas where a co-ordinated approach by partners was needed, and seven recommendations for each Council to progress locally. A presentation was made to the meeting and a copy of the presentation slides is in the Minute Book.

Resolved -

That the recommendations in the 2014 Report of the Director for Public Health for North Yorkshire be noted.

58. Proposals for Yorkshire to host the Yorkshire Rally as a Round of the European Rally Championship 2015

Considered -

The report of Councillor Chris Knowles-Fitton (Leader, Craven District Council) which set out a proposal that Yorkshire should host the Yorkshire Rally as a round of the European Rally Championships in 2015. Part of the proposal was that local authorities would contribute £285,000 to fund the sanction fee required by the promoter Eurosport. It was proposed that the amount to be met by each Authority in this sub-region would be:-

Craven DC	£12,000	
Hambleton DC	£12,000	
Harrogate BC	£30,000	
North Yorkshire County Council	£55,000	
North York Moors National Park Authority	£5,000	
Ryedale DC	£12,000	
Selby DC	£12,000	
Scarborough BC	£16,000	
Richmondshire DC	£12,000	
Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority	£5,000	that amount having been amended from £12,000 during debate
City of York Council	£12,000	

Members expressed support for having large events in Yorkshire and referred to the economic benefits which had arisen from the Tour de France 2014. They commented that further information about the economic impact would be helpful to make the case to Authorities about the proposal concerning the European Rally Championship 2015.

Resolved -

- (a) That it be noted that Members support, in principle, the proposal that Yorkshire host the Yorkshire Rally as a round of the European Rally Championships in 2015.
- (b) That further information about the economic impact of the proposal be provided by Craven District Council by email.
- (c) That each Authority in this sub-region be asked to indicate, by 31 October 2014, whether it supports this proposal.

59. “Young People - an Endangered Species?”

Considered -

The report of Councillor John Blackie (Leader, Richmondshire District Council) which highlighted the crisis of retaining young people and families within rural areas and the sustainability of rural communities when distribution of funding for public services was based on population numbers. To address the situation, Richmondshire District Council recognised that there was a need to increase the supply of affordable housing in rural and deeply rural areas by tackling the supply chain in new ways. It also intended to work closely with the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority to deliver affordable housing within the National Park, and was working further to explore:- community led schemes; the quality of materials required to deliver rural housing schemes; alternatives to using surveys to determine housing need; and taking a lead on delivery of affordable housing potentially on its own account by utilising commuted sums.

Members indicated that they would be pleased to attend the conference proposed by Richmondshire District Council to highlight the issues. They suggested that the task was to work with the LEP and get partners and the HCA to engage. They also suggested that the sub-region could help with framing solutions.

Resolved -

- (a) That Richmondshire District Council’s campaign be endorsed.
- (b) That it be noted that Leaders have indicated that they would be pleased to attend the conference being organised to highlight the issues.

60. City of York Local Plan Publication Draft

Note: During debate, Janet Waggott advised that she was a resident of York and had provided comments on the Local Plan.

Considered -

The report of the City of York Council’s Assistant Director (Development Services, Planning and Regeneration) which sought comments and broad support for the City of York Local Plan Publication Draft. A presentation was made to the meeting and a copy of the presentation slides is in the Minute Book.

Resolved -

- (a) That the update on the preparation of the City of York Local Plan be noted.

- (b) That it be noted that LGNY Y gives broad support for the City of York Local Plan Publication Draft.
- (c) That it be noted that, during this meeting, Members have expressed no particular comments concerning the City of York Local Plan Publication Draft.
- (d) That it be confirmed that the City of York Local Plan Publication Draft has been positively prepared, has given due regard to strategic cross boundary issues, and has addressed the cross boundary issues effectively.
- (e) That the Spatial Planning and Transport Board's acceptance of the Planning Advisory Service's invitation to attend a Members Duty to Co-operate Workshop be noted.
- (f) The City of York Council officers be requested to clarify by email the situation regarding the venue for the Workshop.

60. Driving Growth Across York, North Yorkshire and East Riding

Considered -

The report of the LEP's Chief Operating Officer concerning:- implementation of Local Growth Deal round 1; Local Growth Deal proposed round 1b; local governance discussions and proposals for a Directors of Development Group; and Welcome to Yorkshire (W2Y) and the future of the visitor economy.

The County Council's Corporate Director – Business and Environmental Services expressed support for the establishment of a Directors of Development Group. He advised that such officers did not currently engage on a regular basis, mainly engaging when a specific issue arose.

There was a discussion concerning W2Y and the future of the visitor economy. W2Y required an extra £2m pa to sustain it. That amount represented, on a per capita basis, about £180,000 pa from across this sub-region excluding Harrogate and York. Authorities required a mechanism across the region to take a view on whether they would fund W2Y and such a decision was required by 6 November 2014. It was reported that the Leeds area was looking at using the Business Rate Pool. Views were sought from Authorities, by the end of the month, on whether they would be prepared to support W2Y using the Business Rate Pool top-slice. Various Members expressed the view that W2Y needed to be supported. One Leader indicated that his Council had reservations about W2Y. It was suggested that specific projects would fit LEP criteria and the LEP could commission W2Y to deal with the economy through the visitor economy.

Resolved -

- (a) That the progress in implementing the Local Growth Deal be noted.
- (b) That Authorities ensure that local priorities for the Local Growth Deal round 1b are communicated to the LEP as a matter of urgency.
- (c) That progress towards a December paper outlining the options for a York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Joint Committee be noted.
- (d) That a Directors of Development Group be established and North Yorkshire County Council be the lead authority.

- (e) That Councillor Derek Bastiman (Scarborough Borough Council), Councillor Tracey Simpson-Laing (City of York Council) and County Councillor Carl Les be appointed to the ESIP Programme Management Committee and that the LEP Board be recommended to agree that there shall be three local authority representatives from this sub-region on the ESIP Programme Management Committee to reflect the County Council, the District Councils, and the City of York Council.
- (f) That it be noted that LGNY Y agrees, in principle, to trying to find a way forward to support W2Y through additional funding. This needs to be linked to a regional economic strategy which is overseen through the LEPs and to negotiations with W2Y in terms of ways of working with the public sector and governance issues with the public sector.

62. Impact of Welfare Benefit Reforms on North Yorkshire Residents

Considered -

The report of the County Council's Assistant Director - Policy and Partnerships which provided an update on the impacts of benefit changes brought about by the Welfare Reform Act 2012 and associated regulations.

Resolved -

- (a) That the report be noted.
- (b) That further reports be submitted to LGNY Y when the situation changes rather than on an annual basis.

63. General Updates

Considered -

The report of the Honorary Secretary which provided an update on the recent deliberations of the Sub-Regional Housing Board, the Sub-Regional Spatial Planning and Transport Board, the Yorkshire and Humberside European Regional Development Fund Performance Management Board for North East and West Yorkshire, and the Yorkshire and Humber Member Improvement and European Board.

Resolved -

That the report be noted.

64. Arrangements for Future Meetings

Resolved -

That the following meeting arrangements, as previously agreed, be noted:-

- Friday 5 December 2014 at 10.30 am at Scarborough Borough Council offices.
- Friday 13 March 2015 at 10.30 am at Selby District Council offices.
- Friday 17 July 2015 at 10.30 am at Craven District Council offices.

- Friday 2 October 2015 at 10.30 am at Harrogate Borough Council's Crescent Gardens offices.
- Friday 4 December 2015 at 10.30 am at Hambleton District Council offices.

65. Business for Next Meeting

Resolved –

That business for the next meeting be notified to the Honorary Secretary.

The meeting concluded at 1.00 pm.

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Local Government North Yorkshire and York

5 December 2014

General Updates

Report of the Honorary Secretary

1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 To provide a brief update on issues which do not require a full paper.
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2.0 Sub-Regional Housing Board – Report of Mary Weastell (Chief Executive, Selby District Council)

Progress report as at 20 November 2014

Enhanced two tier project title: Affordable Housing

Project Description: Project Description: Working Together to Increase the Number of Affordable Housing Units

Project Lead: Colin Dales, Richmondshire District Council
Tel: 01748 901002 Email: colin.dales@richmondshire.gov.uk

2.1 Progress to date/update:

- (a) The Local Government York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Housing Board has revised its terms of reference and welcomed new Board members to meet the challenges set by the Growth Deal. Housing Associations, private sector house builders and the East Riding of Yorkshire Council now have full representation on the Board.
- (b) A review of the Rural Housing Enabler programme has been completed in readiness for a new programme from 1 April 2015. A key element of the review revolved around a funding model to ensure that the programme remains financially sustainable. The funding model, summarised below, has received positive feedback from the majority of partners and will form the basis of the new programme.

• Local Authority contribution	£6,500 per year (previously £5,000)
• NY Moors National Park	£2,500 per year
• Housing Association retainer	£3,000 per year (previously £2,500)
• Housing Association “pay per unit” contribution	up to £30,000 (capped)

(c) Work is underway in developing a new post-April 2015 York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Housing Strategy with a new set of draft key priorities to be considered by the Housing Board on 8 December. The following draft key housing priorities have been developed following consultation with key local authority housing leads:

- Increase the supply of good quality housing across all tenures and locations.
- Ensure that our housing stock reflects the needs of our urban, rural and coastal communities.
- Ensure our housing stock meets the diverse needs of our communities at all stages of their lives whilst promoting social cohesion.
- Ensure existing and new housing is of the right quality and has a positive impact on health and wellbeing.
- Continue to reduce homelessness.
- Provide housing support for those with specific needs.

2.2 Barriers to progressing the project over the next period

- (a) The main barrier continues to relate to current housing market conditions which are hindering the contribution that the planning system can make to affordable homes delivery. However, housing market conditions and associated confidence are improving and this barrier continues to lower as housing market confidence grows.
- (b) Lack of suitable land continues to be a barrier to the delivery of affordable housing although Local Authority planning frameworks are continuing to develop with a growing number receiving or anticipating Planning Inspectorate approval. This progress should ease housing land supply in the medium term. The Growth Deal makes specific reference to the need to have up to date local plans and associated land supply.
- (c) Private sector housing improvement funding ceased from 1 April 2011 as a direct result of CSR. Local Authorities still have the freedom to fund private sector housing renewal from their own funds, but current feedback from Local Authority colleagues is that this area of activity has reduced significantly with Disabled Facilities Grants being the core business.
- (d) Local opposition to housing (including affordable housing) is also hindering progress in boosting housing supply. The Housing Board has written to the Housing Minister to request that more supportive key messages come out of

Government, supporting new housing and the key role it plays in boosting local economies and sustaining communities. The Chair of the Board has also met with the Housing Minister when he visited the region in July in order to reinforce this message.

- (e) Funding the infrastructure needed to bring housing sites forward is also a barrier which has, at least in part, been resolved via the allocation of Local Growth Funding. However, this is likely to be an on-going pressure as further key sites come forward.
- (f) Selby District Council has also had a further a barrier raised by developers and agents on its patch which relates to delays in statutory agency consultee responses to planning applications.

3.0 Sub-Regional Spatial Planning and Transport Board – Report of Ian Stokes (Development Officer (Transport Strategy), City of York Council)

- 3.1 A date is still being sought for the Members’ Duty to Cooperate workshop, which is expected to help set the forward programme for the Board.

4.0 Yorkshire and Humberside European Regional Development Fund Performance Management Board for North East and West Yorkshire – Report of Councillor Derek Bastiman (Scarborough Borough Council)

- 4.1 The meeting scheduled for 1 October 2014 was cancelled on the basis that reasonable progress was being made, and being mindful of time and resource pressures.

5.0 Yorkshire and Humber Member Improvement and European Board – Report of Councillor Derek Bastiman (Scarborough Borough Council) and Councillor Tracey Simpson-Laing (City of York Council)

- 5.1 The Board has not met since LGNYY’s last meeting.

<p>6.0 Recommendation</p>

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| <p>6.1 That the report be noted.</p> |
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Richard Flinton
Honorary Secretary to Local Government North Yorkshire and York