

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT NORTH YORKSHIRE AND YORK

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Friday 24 July 2015 at 3.30 pm at  
The Pavilions of Harrogate, Great Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate**

**Present:-**

<u>Authority</u>	<u>Member/Chief Executive</u>
City of York Council	Councillor Stuart Rawlings (as Substitute for Chris Steward)
Craven District Council	Councillor Richard Foster Paul Shevlin (Chief Executive)
Hambleton District Council	Councillor Mark Robson Phil Morton (Chief Executive)
Harrogate Borough Council	Wallace Sampson (Chief Executive)
North York Moors National Park Authority	Jim Bailey
North Yorkshire County Council	County Councillor Carl Les Richard Flinton (Chief Executive to the County Council and Honorary Secretary to LGNYY)
Richmondshire District Council	Councillor Yvonne Peacock Tony Clark (Managing Director)
Ryedale District Council	Councillor Linda Cowling Janet Waggott (Chief Executive)
Scarborough Borough Council	Councillor Derek Bastiman Nick Edwards (Director of Business Support) (as Substitute for Jim Dillon)
Selby District Council	Councillor John Mackman (as Substitute for Mark Crane) Mary Weastell (Chief Executive)
Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority	Councillor Carl Lis OBE (as Substitute for Peter Charlesworth) Gary Smith (Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Director of Conservation and Community) (as Substitute for David Butterworth)

**In Attendance:-**

Naz Parkar (Executive Director for the North-East, Yorkshire and the Humber, Homes and Communities Agency)

David Bowe (Corporate Director – Business and Environmental Services, North Yorkshire County Council and Chair of YNYER Directors of Development Group)

James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer, York, North Yorkshire and East Riding LEP)

Ruth Gladstone (Principal Democratic Services Officer and LGNYY Secretariat)

**Apologies for Absence:-** Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Richard Cooper (Harrogate Borough Council), Steve Stewart (Acting Chief Executive, City of York Council), Andy Wilson (Chief Executive, 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).

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**Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book**

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**Councillor Linda Cowling in the Chair**

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**75. LGNYY Membership**

Considered -

The report of the Honorary Secretary listing Members appointed to LGNYY for 2015/16 and advising that the Leader and Chief Executive of the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and the North Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner, each had a standing invitation to attend LGNYY meetings.

**Resolved –**

That the report be noted.

**76. Appointment of Chair**

**Resolved –**

That County Councillor Carl Les be appointed Chair, to serve until the Annual Meeting of LGNYY to be held in 2016.

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**County Councillor Carl Les in the Chair**

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**77. Appointment of Vice-Chairs**

**Resolved -**

That Councillor Chris Steward (City of York Council) and Councillor Derek Bastiman (Scarborough Borough Council) be appointed Vice-Chairs, to serve until the Annual Meeting of LGNYY to be held in 2016.

**78. Minutes**

**Resolved -**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 5 December 2014, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

**79. Devolution and Experiences in Other Areas**

Considered -

Presentation from Naz Parkar (Executive Director for the North-East, Yorkshire and the Humber, Homes and Communities Agency) advising of devolution experiences elsewhere in England and the Government's expectations of devolution. (A copy of the presentation slides is in the Minute Book.)

Naz Parkar highlighted that, in advance of the 4 September 2015 deadline for the submission of proposals from local authorities pursuing devolved powers, the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) was available to work in partnership with Councils to shape Housing Devolution Asks. Members thanked Naz Parkar for his

presentation and Janet Waggott (Chief Executive, Ryedale District Council) confirmed that officers would contact the HCA for information and advice about possible Housing Devolution Asks.

**Resolved –**

That the presentation be noted.

**80. York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) Update**

Considered -

The report of James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer, York, North Yorkshire and East Riding LEP) advising of:- progress in implementing the Local Growth Deal and highlighting the work to be done to resolve outstanding issues relating to Scarborough Middle Deepdale and Selby Olympia Park; the opportunity available to bid to become new Enterprise Zones; and the progress made by Innovation and Growth drivers.

**Resolved -**

- (a) That progress in implementing the Local Growth Deal, as described in the report, be noted.
- (b) That local authorities who are interested in an Enterprise Zone contact the LEP as soon as possible.
- (c) That the development on the Innovation and Skills agenda be noted.

**81. York, North Yorkshire and East Riding (YNYER) Spatial Plan**

Considered -

The report of David Bowe (Chair of the YNYER Directors of Development Group) seeking support and endorsement for the YNYER Spatial Plan, a copy of which was appended to the report.

The Spatial Plan aimed to reflect existing and emerging planning policy across the sub-area, providing a coherent framework within which infrastructure investment decisions to support growth could be assessed and prioritised, and the wider needs and opportunities for the YNYER area could be articulated. The Plan would also be helpful in evidencing inter-authority collaboration in relation to the Duty to Co-operate as local planning authorities took their Local Plans to examination.

For the future, the Spatial Plan could continue to evolve in order that it could begin to provide a more robust framework for influencing and shaping future planning policy. Before further work was done, it was important that all local authorities were in agreement as to the objectives driving the work and the approach to be adopted to achieve them.

Councillor John Mackman (Selby District Council) advised that he wished to see other main highway routes in/out of Selby included in the Spatial Plan. David Bowe undertook to discuss Councillor John Mackman's suggestions outside LGNYY's meeting.

Confirmation was provided that the development of a Ministry of Defence site at Ripon would be part of the forward-looking plan to be developed. The importance was highlighted of the strategic highway connection to East Lancashire, and tow paths as an alternative means of transport.

**Resolved -**

- (a) That, subject to the views of Selby District Council's Executive, the YNYER Spatial Plan, as set out in the Appendix to the report, be noted and formally endorsed.
- (b) That a further report be submitted to LGNYY in due course in relation to the benefits, issues, objectives, options and approaches for the further evolution and development of the YNYER Spatial Plan.

**82. North Yorkshire Strategic Transport Prospectus**

Considered -

The report of David Bowe (Corporate Director – Business and Environmental Services, North Yorkshire County Council) presenting the North Yorkshire Strategic Transport Prospectus. (Copies of the Prospectus and Executive Summary were circulated at the meeting and have been placed in the Minute Book.)

Transport for the North had suggested that the County Council produce a Strategic Transport Prospectus to set out North Yorkshire's potential to benefit from and contribute to The Northern Powerhouse. The content of the Prospectus had been mainly drawn from the current Local Transport Plan 3, YNYER Strategic Economic Plan, and the development of the Spatial Plan for YNYER. Planning Authorities had been engaged and Transport for the North and the Department for Transport had provided some comments and input.

**Resolved -**

That the North Yorkshire Strategic Transport Prospectus be noted.

**83. Appointments to Outside Bodies**

Considered -

The report of LGNYY's Honorary Secretary inviting the appointment of elected Members to serve on various regional and other outside bodies for 2015/16.

In relation to the Shadow Board 2014-2020 European Structural and Investment Funds Programme Management Committee, it was noted that a nomination was invited from the Leader of the City of York Council for appointment to the seat formerly occupied by former Councillor Tracey Simpson-Laing. LGNYY's other two 2014/15 appointees on the Committee, both now being Council Leaders, advised that they did not wish to stand for re-appointment to the Committee. The Honorary Secretary offered to seek nominations from Councils outside LGNYY's meeting in order that the three vacancies on the Committee could be filled as soon as possible.

**Resolved -**

- (a) That the Honorary Secretary to LGNYY be authorised to seek nominations, and conduct any electronic ballot necessary, to fill the following three vacancies on the Shadow Board 2014-2020 European Structural and Investment Funds Programme Management Committee as soon as possible:-

- 1 vacancy to be filled by a City of York Councillor (Councillor Chris Steward to nominate).
  - 1 vacancy to be filled by a County Councillor (County Councillor Carl Les to nominate)
  - 1 vacancy to be filled by a District Councillor (District Councils to nominate).
- (b) That Councillor Derek Bastiman (Scarborough Borough Council) be re-appointed as the sub-region's representative on the Yorkshire and Humberside European Regional Development Fund Performance Management Board for North East and West Yorkshire, to serve until the Annual Meeting of LGNYY to be held in 2016.
- (c) That Councillor Jim Clark (Harrogate Borough Council) be re-appointed as the District Councils' representative on North Yorkshire Pension Fund Committee, to serve until LGNYY's Annual Meeting to be held in 2016, and that Councillor Yvonne Peacock (Richmondshire District Council) and Councillor Linda Cowling (Ryedale District Council) be appointed as Councillor Jim Clark's Substitute Members, to serve until LGNYY's Annual Meeting to be held in 2016.
- (d) That no elected Member be appointed to Yorkshire and Humber Strategic Migration Group for 2015/16.

#### **84. General Updates**

Considered -

The report of LGNYY's Honorary Secretary which advised of the recent deliberations of the Sub-Regional Housing Board, the Yorkshire and Humberside European Regional Development Fund Performance Management Board for North East and West Yorkshire, and the Shadow Board 2014-2020 European Structural and Investment Funds Programme Management Committee.

**Resolved -**

That the report be noted.

#### **85. Arrangements for Future Meetings**

**Resolved -**

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

- 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.
- Friday 11 March 2016 at 10.30 am at a venue to be confirmed.
- Friday 8 July 2016 at 2 pm at a venue to be confirmed.
- Friday 7 October 2016 at 10.30 am at a venue to be confirmed.
- Friday 2 December 2016 at 10.30 am at a venue to be confirmed.

#### **86. Business for Next Meeting**

**Resolved –**

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

**87. Other Business**

None

RAG/JR

The meeting concluded at 4.20 pm.