

Local Government North Yorkshire and York

**Meeting of
Local Government North Yorkshire and York
to be held on
Friday 20 December 2019 at
10.30 am at
Richmondshire District Council offices,
Mercury House, Station Road, Richmond, DL10 4JX**

A map showing the meeting venue is at pages 4-5.

Parking: There is a pay & display car park at The Station/Swimming Pool for up to 4hrs which is just a 3 minute walk from the offices. The nearest long stay car park is located at Nun's Close, off of Victoria Road. This is approx 5-10 minute walk from Mercury House.

AGENDA

- 1. Substitutions and Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interest**
- 3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 18 October 2019 and Matters Arising**
(Pages 6 to 10)
- 4. Exclusion of the Public and Press** – That the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of items 6, 7 and 8 on the grounds that discussion of each is likely to disclose exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to information) (Variation) Order 2006.

Public Item

- 5. North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service Transformation** - Report of Andrew Brodie (Chief Fire Officer)
(Pages 11 to 12)

Private Items

- 6. LEP Update** – Report of James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer of the York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership)
(Pages 13 to 18.
Circulated to LGNYY Members and Chief Executives only.)

7. **York and North Yorkshire Devolution** – Verbal update by James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer of the York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership)

Consideration of item 8 will commence at approximately 11.20am.

8. **Developments at Welcome to Yorkshire** – Verbal briefing by Peter Box CBE (Chair of Welcome to Yorkshire) and Jacqui Gedman (Strategic Support, Welcome to Yorkshire)

Public Items

9. **General Updates** – Report of Richard Flinton (LGNYY Honorary Secretary)
(Pages 19 to 20)

10. Arrangements for Future Meetings

- Friday 6 March 2020 at 10.30am at Craven District Council's offices, 1 Belle Vue Square, Broughton Road, Skipton, BD23 1FJ
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- Friday 9 October 2020 at 10.30am at Selby District Council's offices, Civic Centre, Doncaster Road, Selby, YO8 9FT
- Friday 4 December 2020 at 10.30am at Hambleton District Council's offices, Civic Centre, Stone Cross, Rotary Way, Northallerton, DL6 2UU

11. Business for Next Meeting

12. Any Other Business

Richard Flinton
Honorary Secretary to LGNYY

County Hall
Northallerton

Local Government North Yorkshire and York

Membership 2019/20

Constituent Authority	Representative
City of York Council	Member:- Councillor Keith Aspden Substitute:- Councillor Andy D'Agorne
Craven District Council	Member:- Councillor Richard Foster Substitute:- Councillor Simon Myers
Hambleton District Council	Member:- Councillor Mark Robson Substitute:- Councillor Peter Wilkinson
Harrogate Borough Council	Member:- Councillor Richard Cooper Substitute:- Councillor Graham Swift
North York Moors National Park Authority	Member:- Mr Jim Bailey Substitute:- Mr Malcolm Bowes
North Yorkshire County Council	Member:- County Councillor Carl Les Substitute:- Councillor Gareth Dadd
Richmondshire District Council	Member:- Councillor Angie Dale Substitute:- Councillor Helen Grant
Ryedale District Council	Member:- Councillor Keane Duncan Substitute:- Councillor Stephen Arnold
Scarborough Borough Council	Member:- Councillor Steve Siddons Substitute:- None appointed.
Selby District Council	Member:- Councillor Mark Crane Substitute:- Councillor Richard Musgrave
Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority	Member:- Mr Carl Lis OBE Substitute:- Neil Heseltine

The Chief Executive of each constituent Authority is entitled to attend, but not vote at, each LGNY Y meeting, as may any other authorised officer from any constituent Authority. *(LGNY Y Constitution, paragraph 13.2)*

The under-mentioned persons each have a standing invitation to attending LGNY Y meetings:-

- North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner. *(LGNY Y Minute 142)*
- East Riding of Yorkshire Council Leader (Councillor Richard Burton) and Chief Executive (Caroline Lacey) or their Substitutes. *(LGNY Y Minute 29)*

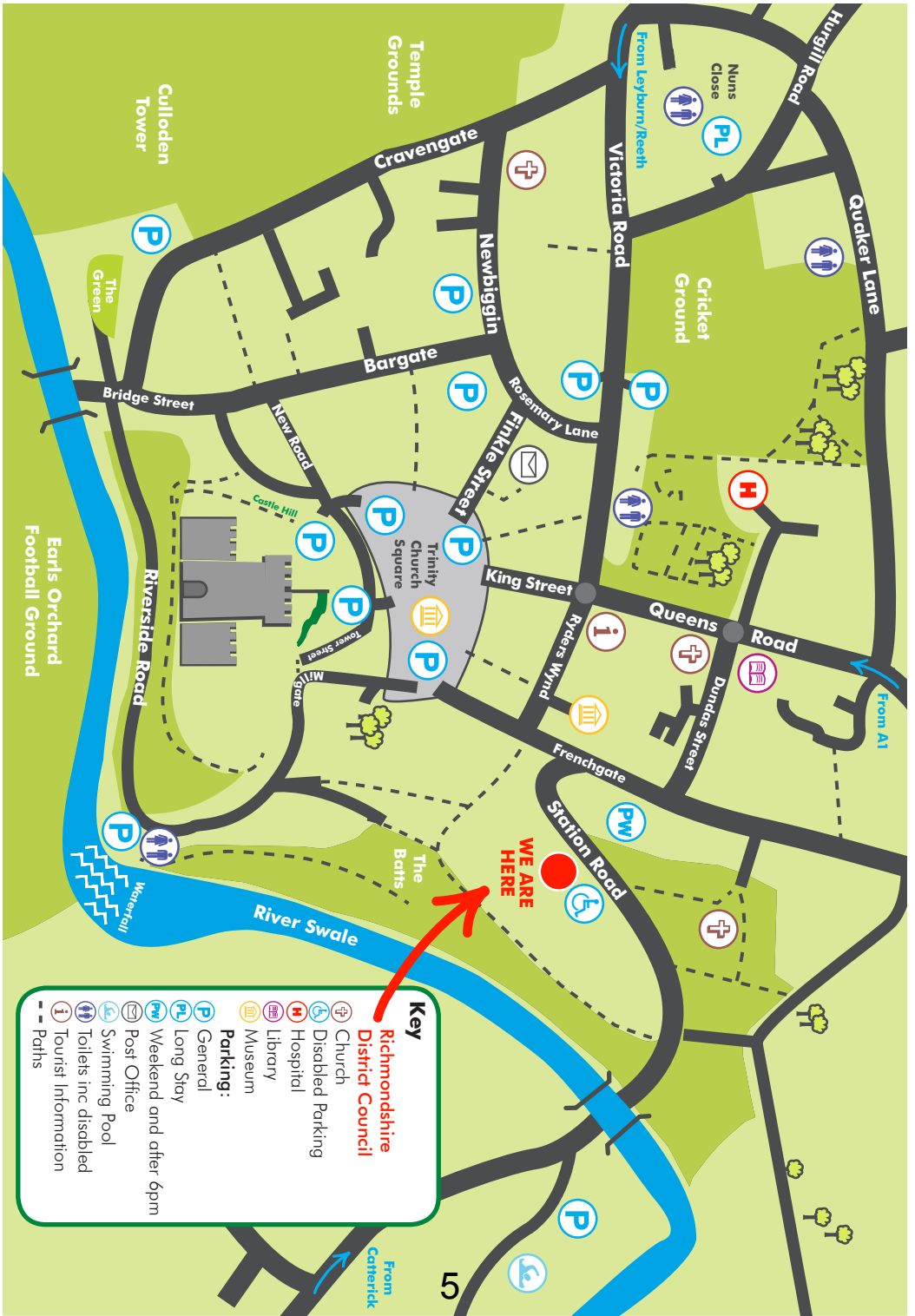
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- Paths

LOCAL GOVERNMENT NORTH YORKSHIRE AND YORK

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Friday 18 October 2019 at 10.30 am
at Allerton Waste Recovery Plant, Moor Lane (off A168), Knaresborough**

Present:-

<u>Authority</u>	<u>Member/Chief Executive</u>
City of York Council	Councillor Keith Aspden (in the Chair) Ian Floyd (Deputy Chief Executive) (as Substitute for Mary Weastell (Chief Executive))
Craven District Council	Councillor Richard Foster Paul Ellis (Director of Services) (as Substitute for Paul Shevlin (Chief Executive))
Hambleton District Council	Councillor Mark Robson Mick Jewitt (Deputy Chief Executive) (as Substitute for Dr Justin Ives (Chief Executive))
Harrogate Borough Council	Councillor Graham Swift (as Substitute for Councillor Richard Cooper) Trevor Watson (Director of Economy and Culture) (as Substitute for Wallace Sampson (Chief Executive))
North York Moors National Park Authority	Mr Jim Bailey
North Yorkshire County Council	County Councillor Carl Les Richard Flinton (Chief Executive and also LGNY Y Honorary Secretary)
Richmondshire District Council	Councillor Helen Grant (as Substitute for Councillor Angie Dale) Tony Clark (Chief Executive)
Ryedale District Council	Councillor Stephen Arnold (as Substitute for Councillor Keane Duncan) Stacey Burlet (Chief Executive)
Scarborough Borough Council	Councillor Steve Siddons Mike Greene (Chief Executive)
Selby District Council	Councillor Mark Crane Janet Waggott (Chief Executive)
Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority	Mr Carl Lis OBE David Butterworth (Chief Executive)

In Attendance:-

David Bowe (Chair, YNYERH Directors of Development Group), James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer, York, North Yorkshire and East Riding LEP), Neil Irving (Assistant Director - Policy, Partnerships and Communities, North Yorkshire County Council), Barry Khan (Assistant Chief Executive - Legal and Democratic Services, North Yorkshire County Council) and Ruth Gladstone (LGNY Y Secretariat).

One member of the press.

Apologies for Absence:-

Apologies for absence were received from Andy Wilson (Chief Executive, North York Moors National Park Authority) and Julia Mulligan (North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner).

71. Declarations of Interest

In respect of the item "Police, Fire and Crime Panel: Member Allowances and Contribution to Administration", Councillors Keith Aspden, Richard Foster and Helen Grant each declared an interest as a member of the North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Panel and County Councillor Carl Les declared an interest as the Chair of that Panel.

72. Minutes and Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Resolved –

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 28 June 2019, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

73. Exclusion of the Public

Resolved -

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of item 5, the LEP Merge Update section of item 6, and item 7 on the grounds that they each involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

74. York and North Yorkshire Devolution

This item was considered in private and the public has no right of access to the report. This Minute is a public summary of business conducted in private.

Considered –

The report of James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer of York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership) which explored the opportunities for devolution for York and North Yorkshire. The report outlined what York and North Yorkshire devolution might look like and the key processes/activity to achieve devolution.

Resolved -

- (a) That further work continue.
- (b) That a meeting of the Chief Executives of the County Council, City of York Council and the seven District Councils, followed by a meeting of the Leaders of those Councils, be scheduled for as soon as possible to look at further feedback from dialogue to see if Leaders are then in a position to move forward.
- (c) That, pending the meetings to which part (b) of this Minute refers, further discussion and a meeting takes place with Leaders.

75. LEP Update

The LEP Merge Update part of this item was considered in private and the public has no right of access to that part of the report. The part of this Minute which relates to the LEP Merge Update is a public summary of business conducted in private.

Considered -

The report of James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer of York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership) which provided updates on the progress of the Local Growth Fund, the LEP merge, and the Local Industrial Strategy.

Resolved -

- (a) That all possible levers be used to ensure deliverability of Local Growth Fund projects.
- (b) That the progress on the LEP merge be noted.
- (c) That the progress on the Local Industrial Strategy, and in particular the local engagement events, be noted.

76. YNYERH Spatial Framework

This item was considered in private and the public has no right of access to the report. This Minute is a public summary of business conducted in private.

Considered -

The report of David Bowe (Chair of YNYERH Directors of Development Group) concerning a Spatial Framework for York, North Yorkshire, the East Riding and Hull.

David Bowe, in introducing the report, advised of minor amendments required on pages 19 and 21.

Members asked for minor amendments to be made to paragraphs 2.7 and 4.3, and for neighbouring authorities to be identified on the maps.

Members requested that the Directors of Development Group provide a form of words to outline the non-statutory status of the Spatial Framework.

Resolved -

- (a) That the final version of the Y&NYERH Spatial Framework, subject to the minor amendments identified at this meeting, be noted.
- (b) That the release be agreed of the Core Approach document on individual local authorities' websites, following individual local authorities' processes to determine such release.
- (c) That the work underway on the Strategic Development Zones and preparation of Long Term Development Statements be noted.

77. North Yorkshire Refugee Resettlement

Considered -

The report of Neil Irving (Assistant Director - Policy, Partnerships and Communities, North Yorkshire County Council) which provided an overview of the Government's recently announced global resettlement scheme and sought the commitment of the Leaders of North Yorkshire District Councils and North Yorkshire County Council to propose, to their respective Councils, participation in the Government's future refugee resettlement scheme from 2020/21.

Resolved -

That the Leaders of North Yorkshire District Councils and North Yorkshire County Council propose, to their respective Councils, participation in the Government's future refugee resettlement scheme from 2020/21.

78. Police, Fire and Crime Panel: Member Allowances and Contribution to Administration

Considered -

The report of the Chair of the North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Panel which invited Councils to consider payment of an allowance for their constituent member on the North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Panel, and to agree a funding contribution to ensure the Panel could receive adequate staffing support.

During discussion about the request for Councils each to agree a funding contribution to ensure the adequate staffing support for the Panel, the meeting was advised as follows:-

- Craven District Council had decided not to provide such funding contribution.
- Ryedale District Council's Policy and Resources Committee had decided not to provide such funding contribution. However, Councillor Stephen Arnold undertook to ask for that Council's situation to be re-considered.
- Richmondshire District Council's Corporate Board would be making a decision during November 2019.
- The remaining six Councils (namely, North Yorkshire County Council, City of York Council, Harrogate and Scarborough Borough Councils, and Hambleton and Selby District Councils) each would contribute to the additional officer support for the Panel, in the amounts set out in paragraph 9 of the report.

Resolved -

- (a) That it be noted that each Council is invited to determine provision for a Member Allowance for their representative on the Police, Fire and Crime Panel.
- (b) That the Chair of the North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Panel have further discussions with the Leaders of Craven, Ryedale and Richmondshire District Councils about the request for those Councils to contribute the amounts, as set out in paragraph 9 of the report, to the staffing support for the Panel and, in the event that those Councils do not agree the request, North Yorkshire County Council determine its response. The County Council is asked not to refer this issue back to LGNYY.

79. General Updates

Considered -

The report of LGNYY's Honorary Secretary which advised of recent discussions of the Sub-Regional Housing Board, the Sub-Regional Spatial Planning and Transport Board, and the Yorkshire and Humber Strategic Migration Group.

Resolved –

That the report be noted.

80. Arrangements for Future Meetings

Resolved –

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

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81. Business for Meeting on 20 December 2019

It was noted that a different representative from Welcome to Yorkshire needed to be invited to attend future LGNYY meetings to provide a briefing on developments at Welcome to Yorkshire.

Resolved –

That items of business for the next meeting be notified to Richard Flinton.

82. Other Business - Appointment of Chair of Welcome to Yorkshire

Members asked questions concerning the governance arrangements surrounding the appointment of Councillor Peter Box CBE (Leader of Wakefield Council) as Chair of Welcome to Yorkshire.

Resolved –

- (a) That Richard Flinton (LGNYY Honorary Secretary) seek information concerning the governance arrangements surrounding the appointment of Councillor Peter Box CBE (Leader of Wakefield Council) as Chair of Welcome to Yorkshire.
- (b) That Councillor Peter Box CBE and Jacqui Gedman (Chief Executive of Kirklees Council) both be invited to attend a future meeting of LGNYY to brief Members concerning developments at Welcome to Yorkshire and that the invitation be accompanied by a request for at least one of them to attend.

83. Other Business – North and West Yorkshire Business Rates Pool

It was noted that considerable activity was taking place concerning the Business Rates Pool. This would necessitate Leaders and Chief Executives having discussions early during the week commencing 21 October 2019. It was highlighted that Councils needed to avoid failing to come to an agreement due to timescales. It was acknowledged that the issues currently being discussed by the Pool were not for discussion at today's meeting of LGNYY.

The meeting concluded at 12.55pm.

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North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service Transformation

Report of Chief Fire Officer

1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 This report sets out my thoughts as to the transformation potential at North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service for early feedback.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 I became Chief Fire Officer in January 2019, two months after the transfer of governance to the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner (PFCC) and shortly before the first inspection by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS).
- 2.2 In May 2019 my 100-day report was published, setting out my initial findings and suggestions for what we could look and feel like by 2025: <https://www.northyorkshire-pfcc.gov.uk/news/100dayreport/>
- 2.3 The HMICFRS report will be published week commencing 16 December 2019, providing a useful, independent guide to those areas in which we perform well and where we can improve. This coupled with my own findings has led me to identify three main opportunities.

3.0 Proposal

- 3.1 There is no proposal to this meeting, the report and presentation is for information only at this stage. The final proposal for change will be provided in a new Risk and Resource Model 2021-25 which will be subject to full public consultation and Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner approval.
- 3.2 The three main opportunities identified are:
1. Maximising On-call availability. Too often our On-call fire engines aren't available. I've suggested a multi-pronged approach to dealing with this including:
 - A new salary scheme with more flexible conditions and more reasonable expectations
 - The introduction of 'Public Safety Officers' in areas where availability is particularly problematic, full time staff working across multiple organisations to carry out response and early intervention work in more rural communities. LGNYY might be particularly interested in this opportunity
 - A range of fire engine types with differing capabilities to enable smaller, more readily available crews to respond

- Closer work with employers to encourage the release of staff to respond as On-call firefighters and with schools to encourage flexibility to enable parents/carers to respond
- New technology to better enable firefighters to update their availability
- Access to newly created 'business hubs' at On-call fire stations for home/agile workers to base themselves in exchange for a commitment to be an On-call Firefighter

2. Maximising Service Delivery Capacity

- NYFRS operates with a relatively traditional culture with direction from senior level and an expectation of compliance. This limits the creativity of service delivery staff and tends to affect the balance of commitment to Prevention, Protection, Response and Community Resilience, the four delivery tools at our disposal
- My proposed way of working is based on three Principles - Accountability & Responsibility; Freedom & Flexibility; Measurement and Monitoring – and seven tools, the four service delivery tools listed above alongside enabling tools of: Partnership; Planning; Performance Monitoring
- Local teams will 'own' the safety of their communities and work ever more closely with partners to deliver positive outcomes for the most vulnerable people

3. Saving to Invest to Modernise

- We continue to face a negative imbalance in our budget, but I hope to balance it in 2020/21, one year ahead of schedule. I intend that we then make further savings to free up funds to invest in modernising: Estate, Fleet, Equipment, Personal Protective Equipment and Training/Development
- Members of LGNYY may be particularly interested to discuss opportunities to share estate and fleet

<h3>4.0 Recommendation</h3>

<p>4.1 n/a</p>

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5 December 2019

Item 6 - LEP Update – Report of James Farrar (Chief Operating Officer of the York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership)

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General Updates

Report of Richard Flinton (LGNYY Honorary Secretary)

1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 To provide a brief update on issues which do not require a full paper.

2.0 Sub-Regional Housing Board – Report of Mary Weastell (City of York Council, Chief Executive)

Progress as at 2 December 2019

Enhanced two-tier project title: Affordable Housing

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

Project Lead: Colin Dales, Corporate Director (Operations), Richmondshire District Council, Tel: 01748 901002 email: colin.dales@richmondshire.gov.uk

2.1 Progress to date/update:-

- (a) The Housing Board has received reports previously on Syrian Refugee Resettlement and the Asylum Seeker Dispersal Scheme. In terms of the asylum seeker dispersal, negotiations continue to be on hold. In terms of the Syrian Refugee Resettlement Programme, each Local Authority is taking a report through their governance structures seeking approval to participate in the Global Resettlement Scheme. Further updates will be given in this respect but it is very likely that a 4 year scheme will be supported and a partnership approach adopted. An update report will be submitted to the Housing Board on 16 December.
- (b) A review of the York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Housing Strategy will commence early in the new year, subject to Housing Board approval. If a new overarching strategy is agreed in principle this will prompt a comprehensive consultation exercise during 2020.
- (c) Work between North Yorkshire County Council and the lower tier Local Authorities to transform County Council funded homeless prevention services has concluded with homeless prevention services now fully delegated to lower tier authorities with the associated TUPE transfers completed.
- (d) Housing supply performance for quarters 1 and 2 of 2019/20 is currently being compiled and a further update will be given in the next briefing.
- (e) A project group has been established as part of the County Council's review of the county wide young people's pathway – a joint working programme between County Council and boroughs / districts to assist homeless and potentially homeless young people. This review is on-going with input from nominated housing officers.

2.2 Barriers to progressing the project over the next period:-

- (a) 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.
- (b) 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.
- (c) 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.

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

3.1 There is nothing to report.

4.0 Yorkshire and Humber Strategic Migration Group – Report of Neil Irving (NYCC, Assistant Director - Policy, Partnerships and Communities) on behalf of himself and Ann-Marie Douglas (City of York Council, Temporary Accommodation Manager)

4.1 The Strategic Migration Group has not met subsequent to LGNYY's last meeting. The Strategic Migration Group is due to meet in mid January.

5.0 York, North Yorkshire and East Riding ESI Funds Sub-Committee – Report of Councillor Darryl Smalley (City of York Council), County Councillor Andrew Lee (NYCC) and Councillor Steve Arnold (Ryedale District Council)

5.1 No report supplied at the time of LGNYY agenda distribution.

6.0 Recommendation

6.1 That the report be noted.

Richard Flinton
Honorary Secretary to Local Government North Yorkshire and York