

North Yorkshire County Council

Transport, Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee

31 October 2017

Work Programme

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report asks the Committee to:

- a. Note the information in this report.
- b. Confirm, amend or add to the areas of work shown in the work programme schedule (**Appendix A**).

2 Background

2.1 The scope of this Committee is defined as:

- *Transport and communications infrastructure of all kinds, however owned or provided, and how the transport needs of the community are met.*
- *Supporting business, helping people develop their skills, including lifelong learning.*
- *Sustainable development, climate change strategy, countryside management, waste management, environmental conservation and enhancement flooding and cultural issues.*

3 UpdatesMid Cycle briefing: 11 September 2017

3.1 Group Spokespersons were presented with and discussed North Yorkshire County Council's Plan for Economic Growth, which was approved earlier this year.

3.2 The plan was developed in order for the County Council to take a greater leadership role in delivering economic growth and local regeneration across North Yorkshire and also aligning the Council's wider activities across the organisation to support growth. Changes to the way that local government is funded, (such as increased business rate retention), has meant that both demand for local authority services and the capacity of local authorities to deliver them, is increasingly linked to the economic health of the communities they serve. The government's consultation on its Industrial Strategy earlier this year also highlighted the benefits of having a clear plan for economic growth providing the basis for the County Council's engagement with government departments. The aims of the County Council's Plan for Economic Growth are:

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Meeting dates

Scheduled Committee Meetings	20 July 2017 10am	31 Oct 2017 10am	23 Jan 2018 10am	10 April 2018 10am	12 July 2018 10am	25 Oct 2018 10am	24 Jan 2019 10am	17 April 2019 10am
Scheduled Mid Cycle Briefings Attended by Group Spokespersons only.	21 Sept 2017 10am	7 Dec 2017 10am	8 March 2018 10am	7 June 2018 10am	12 Sept 2018 10am	6 Dec 2018 10am	7 March 2019 10am	

Overview Reports

Meeting	Subject	Aims/Terms of Reference
Consultation, progress and performance monitoring reports		
Each meeting as available	Corporate Director and / or Executive Member update	Regular update report as available each meeting
	Work Programme	Regular report where the Committee reviews its work programme

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Meeting	Subject	Aims/Terms of Reference
31 October 2017	Adult Learning Service	Overview of the County Council's Adult Learning Service
	Vehicle Activated Speed Signs	Update on the rollout of VAS to parishes in North Yorkshire
	Rail developments	Update report on the rail franchise, Rail North and Transport for the North, and discussions on reinstatement of railway lines
	Airport Consultative Committees	Update report by the County Council's representatives on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leeds/Bradford International Airport • Durham and Tees Valley Airport • Robin Hood Airport
23 January 2018	YNYER LEP	Annual update on the work of the York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership
	Allerton Waste Recovery Park	To advise Members on the arrangements for the Allerton Waste Recovery Park becoming operational in early 2018, including commissioning and contract management arrangements
	Local Nature Partnership	Update on the work of the Local Nature Partnership
12 July 2018	Highways Maintenance Contract	To receive the annual report on actions being put in place by the highways maintenance & highways improvement contractor (Ringway) to improve performance and communications
	Highways England	Regular annual update
	Road casualties	To advise Members of the road casualty figures in 2017 and the work of the 95Alive Partnership
	Brake	Overview of the work of the road safety charity

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Items where dates have yet to be confirmed	Banks and post offices	The closure of banks and post offices in North Yorkshire and their impact	
	Apprenticeships	To provide an update on the County Council's progress in supporting apprenticeships in North Yorkshire including responding to the new apprenticeship levy introduced in April 2017.	
	20 mph speed limit policy	Response to the publication of the National Research project by the Department for Transport examining 20mph speed limits.	
	Promoting access to our heritage	To be provided with an overview of the heritage service and promote discussion	

Possible future overview reports and presentations from external partner organisations

Meeting	Subject	Aims/Terms of Reference	
	Tourism	To be provided with an overview of tourism figures from the past five years to now and projected trends	
	Electric charge points for hybrid vehicles	To be provided with an overview of the progress of installing electric charge points in the county for hybrid vehicles and to discuss strategies to lever in investment to increase the number of charge points and to promote the use of hybrid vehicles	

In-depth Scrutiny Projects/Reviews

Subject	Aims/Terms of Reference	Timescales	
The North Yorkshire economy post-Brexit	Steering group comprising of the Group Spokespersons set up to consider the measures required to support the local economy following the triggering of Article 50 of the Treaty of Lisbon by the UK government.	March 2017 onwards	

Please note that this is a working document, therefore topics and timeframes might need to be amended over the course of the year.