

North Yorkshire County Council

Transport, Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee

10 April 2018

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 1**).

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 Updates: Mid Cycle briefing/task group: 8 March 2018Vehicle Activated Speed Signs review

- 3.1 The task group met on 8 March 2018 to review the findings from other shire counties and a number of Unitary Authorities (those in predominantly rural areas) regarding their policies on Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) and/or Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs). The exercise focussed on the authorities' approaches to parish councils and other local groups purchasing and maintaining their own signs, and any feedback on the approach taken.
- 3.2 The information received from local authorities suggests that there are a multitude of different approaches taken, and no pattern has been discerned regarding different types of authority (small, large, rural or urban), and the approach they take to VAS. A proportion of the councils that have responded allow parish councils to purchase their own signs, subject to varying levels of oversight from the Local Highway Authority. However others do not for varying reasons. In most cases the authority requires the signs to be purchased from one supplier or from an approved list.

- 3.3 The task group also agreed the questions to include in a survey to parishes in North Yorkshire to find out the level of interest across the county for parishes to purchase and maintain VAS or SIDs. Indicative costings were provided for both types of devices together with background information. The survey, which is online, has been sent out with a deadline for responses of 21 May 2018.
- 3.4 The next steps for the task group will be to discuss the results of the parish survey and produce recommendations for inclusion in a draft report to be presented to the Transport, Economy and Environment Committee meeting on 12 July 2018.

4 Recommendations

- 4.1 That the Committee:
- a. Notes the information in this report.
 - b. Confirms, amends, or adds to the areas of work listed in the Work Programme schedule.

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Appendix 1 – Work Programme Schedule 2018/19

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Scope

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Meeting dates

Scheduled Committee Meetings	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.	7 June 2018 10am	19 Sept 2018 10am	5 Dec 2018 1pm	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
10 April 2018	SEND Home to School Transport	Consultation responses to SEND Home to School Transport – Proposed policy changes
	Adult Learning and Skills Service	Update on the measures put in place in response to the Ofsted inspection held in June 2017
	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.
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
	20s Plenty For Us	Overview of the work of the campaign group for 20mph to become the default speed limit on residential and urban streets
25 October 2018	Civil Parking Enforcement	To provide a review of countywide Civil Parking Enforcement in 2016/17 and 2017/18
	Electric charge points for electric/hybrid vehicles	To be provided with an overview of the progress of installing electric charge points in the county for electric/hybrid vehicles and to discuss strategies to lever in investment to increase the number of charge points and to promote the use of electric/hybrid vehicles.

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24 January 2019	North Yorkshire and York Local Nature Partnership	Update report
Items where dates have yet to be confirmed	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 provide an overview of the heritage service and promote discussion
	Rural transport	An update on rural bus services and community transport
	Winter Highways Maintenance	An overview of the policy on Winter Highways Maintenance
Possible future overview reports and presentations from external partner organisations		
Meeting	Subject	Aims/Terms of Reference

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.	Ongoing (commenced March 2017)
Vehicle Activated Speed Signs	Task group to review the protocols on temporary vehicle activated speed signs with a view to allowing parish councils to purchase, install and maintain their own speed matrix signs on a permanent basis.	March 2018 onwards

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