

North Yorkshire County Council

Transport, Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee

15 July 2019

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 – 20 mph speed limit policy task groupInitial meeting

- 3.1 The task group met on 22 May 2019 to look at the conclusions and recommendations from the 20 mph National Research Study ('Atkins Report'), the DfT guidance and NYCC's current 20mph speed limit policy. Statistics were shared at the meeting on the number of Killed and Seriously Injured Casualties on the road crude rate per 100,000 by North Yorkshire district.
- 3.2 At the task group's next meeting later this month, more detailed district-based statistics showing the number of speed-related accidents in 30mph speed limit areas, and by road classification, will be brought to the meeting.
- 3.3 A range of stakeholders will then be invited to a subsequent meeting to discuss their policy position on 20 mph speed limits arising from the Atkins Report.
- 3.4 Findings from a number of other shire counties show that at this stage they have no plans to review their current guidance in light of the findings of the Atkins Report. Where 20 mph speed limits exist in their county little or no evaluation has been undertaken.

4 Recommendations

4.1 That the Committee:

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- b. Confirms, amends, or adds to the areas of work listed in the Work Programme schedule.

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Appendices:

- Appendix 1 – Work Programme Schedule 2019/20

Background documents:

North Yorkshire County Council Forward Plan

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/council-forward-plan>

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Scope

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Meeting dates

Scheduled Committee Meetings	15 July 2019 10am	24 Oct 2019 10am	23 Jan 2020 10am	15 April 2020 10am
Scheduled Mid Cycle Briefings Attended by Group Spokespersons only	12 Sept 2019 10am	5 Dec 2019 10am	27 Feb 2020 10am	

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
Meeting	Subject	Aims/Terms of Reference
15 July 2019	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

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	Highways England	Regular annual update	
	Home to School transport	To discuss the results of consultation on Home to School transport policy for statutory aged children.	
	Local Flood Risk Management Strategy	Update on the implementation of the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy including flood risk/coastal erosion alleviation measures put in place/scheduled to be put in place; funding; issues	
	North Yorkshire and York Local Nature Partnership	Update report	
24 October 2019	Rail developments	Update report on the rail franchise, Rail North and Transport for the North	
Items where dates have yet to be confirmed	HGV overnight parking in North Yorkshire	To explore the issues of HGV overnight parking in North Yorkshire and ways to respond	
	Tourism in North Yorkshire	Overview of the work and future plans of Welcome to Yorkshire.	
	Promoting access to our heritage	Overview of the County Council's heritage service	
	Winter Highways Maintenance	Overview of the policy on Winter Highways Maintenance	
	Traffic management in the county: tacking traffic congestion	Overview of the ways that the County Council can tackle traffic congestion problems in the county such as through the use of smart traffic lighting to control traffic flow. Road junction road improvements in Harrogate and Scarborough town to be taken as examples.	

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	Countryside access	Overview of the County Council's countryside service and priorities (including unclassified roads, prioritisation of the public rights of way network and improving the definitive map processes)
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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)
20 mph speed limit policy	Response to the publication of the National Research project by the Department for Transport examining 20mph speed limits	Commenced May 2019

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