

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**30 November 2007**

**Work Programme Report**

**1.0 Purpose of Report**

This report asks the Committee to:

- (a) note the information in this report
- (b) confirm, amend or add to the list of matters shown on the work programme (attached at Annex A)
- (c) comment on the draft Scrutiny Guidance (attached at Annex B)

**2.0 Draft Scrutiny Guidance**

At the meeting of the Scrutiny Board 30th January 2007 Members agreed to set up a working group (the initial membership of the group was expanded to include all members of Scrutiny Board) to look at the implications of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Bill and to start thinking about how NYCC could prepare for this future legislation.

The draft scrutiny guidance is now being taken to each of the overview and scrutiny committees for comment and/or amendment and is attached at Annex B.

**3.0 Mid Cycle Briefing – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2007**

The Mid Cycle Briefing was open to all Members of the Committee.

Topics covered included:

- Local Democracy and the establishment and further development of Youth Councils in Harrogate , Richmondshire, Ryedale and Selby.
- HyBRid - North Yorkshire's Youth Participation Self – Assessment Tool

Members were briefed on the Self Assessment and Quality Assurance Tool being developed by the Councils 4Youth Service and Voice Influence and Participation team from original concept used by Sunderland.

HyBRid's main function will be to support the implementation of the Children & Young Peoples Plan, develop quality assurance processes and improve the Positive Engagement of young people with young people across North Yorkshire.

Member have asked to be kept informed of HyBRid's

views of young development and will be interested to learn the people on the use of this assessment tool.

- Youth Work Area Plans – Members were advised that all Area Youth Work Plans are now complete. The Area Plans very much mirror the lines of the Children & Young Peoples Plan and include project profiles, milestones and outcomes.

The Chairman requested a copy of all Youth Work Area Plans be placed in the Members Room to raise awareness with all members of the County Council .

- Developing a Children & Young Peoples Art Strategy  
Briefing and overview on the development of the Children and Young People's Arts Strategy and discuss the development of a C&YP Art Strategy and possible involvement of members of the committee. (Briefing Report attached at Annex C)

#### 4.0 Scrutiny Review – 'A Sporting Chance'

The Task Group met to confirm and amend the content of the draft report following the useful comments made by Members of the Committee at the last meeting. The necessary adjustments and amendments have been made to the draft Final Report which is attached at Annex D

#### 5.0 Next In-depth Scrutiny Review

The first meeting of the School Meals Task Group was held on the 13<sup>th</sup> November. Officers from the Children & Young Peoples Service/ North Yorkshire County Caterers briefed the Task Group on the current service provision and on the impact of job evaluation. The Task Group are in the process of drawing up the focus and scope of this review.

There is a particularly tight timeframe for this scrutiny project. A draft report will therefore be brought to the Committee for their consideration in January 2008.

#### 6.0 Environment & Heritage Overview & Scrutiny Committee Scrutiny Task Group on Reducing Corporate Waste

The Environment & Heritage O&S Committee has set up a task group to look into how the County Council can

- a) reduce the amount of waste it produces as an organisation, and
- b) increase, re-use or recycling on council premises and in schools.

The terms of reference for the project are attached at Annex E.

An email has been sent to all North Yorkshire schools asking for examples of good practice in re-use and recycling, and any barriers that schools are experiencing. In December the task group will be visiting schools in the Harrogate area that have, or are introducing, effective recycling schemes.

For further information please contact [rachel.rushforth@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:rachel.rushforth@northyorks.gov.uk),

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**Recommendation**

6.0 The Committee is recommended to:

- note the information in this report
- confirm, amend, or add to the list of matters shown on the work programme (attached at Annex A)
- comment on the draft Scrutiny Guidance
- comment

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Annexes: Annex A Work Programme

B Draft Scrutiny Guidance

————— C Developing a Children & Young Peoples Art Strategy

D Scrutiny Review – ‘A Sporting Chance’

E Terms of Reference

**For information:**

<b>Future Meeting Dates 2008:</b>		
<b>Month</b>	<b>Dates printed in 2008 Diary</b>	<b>Amendments &amp; Comments</b>
January		
February	19 – Agenda Briefing 14.00 22 – Committee now 10.30	Dates remain the same but please note <b>change of start time for Committee</b>
March	28 – Mid Cycle Briefing 10.30	
April	30 – Agenda Briefing <del>14.00</del> 10.30	Change in time only
May	2 - Committee now 10.30	Date remains the same but please note change of start time for Committee
June	06 – Reserve Committee 10.30 20 – Mid Cycle Briefing <del>14.00</del> 10.30	Add date/time to your diary Change in time only
July	9 – Agenda Briefing <del>14.00</del> 10.30 11 – Committee now 10.30	Change in time only Please note change of start time for Committee
August	<del>22 – Mid Cycle Briefing 10.30</del>	Cancelled
September	05 - Mid Cycle Briefing 10.30 22 - Briefing <del>14.00</del> 10.30 26 – Committee now 10.30	Change in time only  Date remains the same but please note change of start time for Committee
October	10 - Mid Cycle Briefing 10.30 <del>24 – Mid Cycle Briefing 10.30</del> 31 – Reserve Committee 10.30	Cancelled Add date/time to your diary
November	24 – Briefing <del>14.00</del> 10.30 28 – Committee now 10.30	Change in time only Please note change of start time for Committee
December		