

## Harrogate and Knaresborough Active Travel schemes progress

Update: March 2026.

Project	Budget Allocation	Approved funding source	Updates to date	Expected delivery date
Oatlands and Wetherby Crossings	£230,000	26/26 Capital Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wetherby Road crossing construction commenced 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025, completed 24<sup>th</sup> October.</li> <li>Oatlands Drive crossing delivered between 9<sup>th</sup> &amp; 26<sup>th</sup> February 2026</li> </ul>	Complete
ATF 2 Victoria Avenue - pedestrian improvements & resurfacing	£807,000 & £200,000	Active Travel Fund 2 & Capital Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete, minor snagging outstanding to be completed before the end of the financial year.</li> </ul>	Complete
Bilton Crossing	110,000	S106/ATF5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding awarded for delivery of scheme through ATF 5. Consultation on updated designs and TRO's to commence Q1 26.</li> </ul>	Q3 26
Killinghall Access Improvements	TBC	S106	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Surfacing not able to be progressed with current landowner. TRO's to overcome on street parking issues currently in progress.</li> </ul>	TBC
Otley Road Sustainable Transport Measures	£710,000	NPIF Cold bath road signals upgrade  Otley Road bus stops upgrades  Cold bath Rd 20mph  Access arrangements at Falcon Chiropractic 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tender awarded. Works programmed for May – June 2026</li> <li>Likely to be delivered with Otley Road improvements associated with West of Harrogate development</li> <li>Additional speed surveys required after roadworks in vicinity of Cold Bath Road are completed.</li> <li>Signals team programme has upgrades taking place Q3 2025</li> </ul>	Q2 26  TBC  Speed surveys to be completed late June 26  Q3 25

		<p>Crossing point western primary school</p> <p>Improved crossing point from PROW Green lane Ashville college</p> <p>Review signing for cycle paths</p> <p>20MPH Arthurs Ave Surrounding streets</p> <p>Cycle parking/ improved public realm- feasibility stage still Delivery</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TRO informal re-consultation with CBR 20mph zone</li> <li>• To be delivered with Green Lane Traffic Calming</li> <li>• To tie in with cycle priority work, on pause for now</li> <li>• Crossing assessment currently in progress, traffic calming to be sinusoidal cushions if calming required</li> <li>• Feasibility stage</li> </ul>	<p>Q4 26</p> <p>TBC</p> <p>TBC- Not yet programmed.</p> <p>Q4 26</p> <p>TBC- Not yet programmed</p>
20mph's requiring traffic calming	130,000/175,000	Capital Programme/NPIF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation to have commenced by June on all traffic calmed streets. Timeline varies across individual streets, expect to consult with a phased approach.</li> </ul>	Varies
HTIP- Highways Transportation Improvement Package			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A report was taken to Environment Executive on 19th December 2025</li> </ul>	TBC

<b>Initial equality impact assessment screening form</b>			
This form records an equality screening process to determine the relevance of equality to a proposal, and a decision whether or not a full EIA would be appropriate or proportionate.			
<b>Directorate</b>	Environment Services		
<b>Service area</b>	Highways and Transportation		
<b>Proposal being screened</b>	Harrogate and Knaresborough Active Travel updates (Nov 25)		
<b>Officer(s) carrying out screening</b>	Melisa Burnham		
<b>What are you proposing to do?</b>	To advise the committee of progress to date on the delivery of Active Travel schemes within Harrogate and Knaresborough.		
<b>Why are you proposing this? What are the desired outcomes?</b>	This is the March 2026 Active Travel update report, following the November 2025 update previously provided. The purpose is to provide an overview of ongoing and upcoming Active Travel Projects, along with anticipated timescales for delivery.		
<b>Does the proposal involve a significant commitment or removal of resources?</b> Please give details.	No		
<p><b>Impact on people with any of the following protected characteristics as defined by the Equality Act 2010, or NYCC's additional agreed characteristics</b></p> <p>As part of this assessment, please consider the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To what extent is this service used by particular groups of people with protected characteristics?</li> <li>Does the proposal relate to functions that previous consultation has identified as important?</li> <li>Do different groups have different needs or experiences in the area the proposal relates to?</li> </ul> <p><b>If for any characteristic it is considered that there is likely to be an adverse impact or you have ticked 'Don't know/no info available', then a full EIA should be carried out where this is proportionate. You are advised to speak to your <a href="#">Equality rep</a> for advice if you are in any doubt.</b></p>			
Protected characteristic	Potential for adverse impact		Don't know/No info available
	Yes	No	
Age		X	
Disability		X	
Sex		X	
Race		X	
Sexual orientation		X	
Gender reassignment		X	
Religion or belief		X	
Pregnancy or maternity		X	
Marriage or civil partnership		X	
<b>NYCC additional characteristics</b>			
People in rural areas		X	
People on a low income		X	
Carer (unpaid family or friend)		X	

<b>Does the proposal relate to an area where there are known inequalities/probable impacts</b> (e.g. disabled people's access to public transport)? Please give details.	This report outlines an update on previous reports only. Individual project consultations will take place in the community before implementation.			
<b>Will the proposal have a significant effect on how other organisations operate?</b> (e.g. partners, funding criteria, etc.). <b>Do any of these organisations support people with protected characteristics?</b> Please explain why you have reached this conclusion.	N/A			
<b>Decision (Please tick one option)</b>	EIA not relevant or proportionate:	x	Continue to full EIA:	
<b>Reason for decision</b>	This is a report outlining updates of a number of projects across Harrogate and Knaresborough. It should be recognised that detailed consultations with stakeholders, residents, and businesses within the vicinity of the proposals will be consulted before works are implemented.			
<b>Signed (Assistant Director or equivalent)</b>	Barrie Mason			
<b>Date</b>	06/03/2026			

## Climate change impact assessment

The purpose of this assessment is to help us understand the likely impacts of our decisions on the environment of North Yorkshire and on our aspiration to achieve net carbon neutrality by 2030, or as close to that date as possible. The intention is to mitigate negative effects and identify projects which will have positive effects.

This document should be completed in consultation with the supporting guidance. The final document will be published as part of the decision-making process and should be written in Plain English.

If you have any additional queries which are not covered by the guidance, please email [climatechange@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:climatechange@northyorks.gov.uk)

**Please note: You may not need to undertake this assessment if your proposal will be subject to any of the following:**

Planning Permission  
Environmental Impact Assessment  
Strategic Environmental Assessment

However, you will still need to summarise your findings in in the summary section of the form below.

Please contact [climatechange@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:climatechange@northyorks.gov.uk) for advice.

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<b>Title of proposal</b>	<b>Harrogate and Knaresborough Active Travel updates</b>
<b>Brief description of proposal</b>	To advise the committee of progress to date on the delivery of Active Travel schemes within Harrogate and Knaresborough.
<b>Directorate</b>	<b>Environmental Services</b>
<b>Service area</b>	<b>Highways &amp; Transportation</b>
<b>Lead officer</b>	<b>Melisa Burnham (Area Manager)</b>
<b>Names and roles of other people involved in carrying out the impact assessment</b>	
<b>Date impact assessment started</b>	<b>20/02/25</b>

**Options appraisal**

Were any other options considered in trying to achieve the aim of this project? If so, please give brief details and explain why alternative options were not progressed.

**Not applicable**

**What impact will this proposal have on council budgets? Will it be cost neutral, have increased cost or reduce costs?**

Please explain briefly why this will be the result, detailing estimated savings or costs where this is possible.

The purpose of this report is to provide an update of progress, with identified timescales and project details. Budgets have been identified for those projects already in progress and it is recognised that those in development still required identified funding, likely from future bids such as Active Travel England or LTF, if available.

How will this proposal impact on the environment?  N.B. There may be short term negative impact and longer term positive impact. Please include all potential impacts over the lifetime of a project and provide an explanation.		Positive impact (Place a X in the box below where	No impact (Place a X in the box below where	Negative impact (Place a X in the box below where	Explain why will it have this effect and over what timescale?  Where possible/relevant please include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changes over and above business as usual</li> <li>• Evidence or measurement of effect</li> <li>• Figures for CO<sub>2</sub>e</li> <li>• Links to relevant documents</li> </ul>	Explain how you plan to mitigate any negative impacts.	Explain how you plan to improve any positive outcomes as far as possible.
Minimise <b>greenhouse gas emissions</b> e.g. reducing emissions from travel, increasing energy efficiencies etc.	Emissions from travel	X			Active travel schemes will provide a positive opportunity for the community to make 'greener' travel options.	No negative impacts identified.	Improved engagement with the public to support the take-up of more active travel options and to continue with the delivery of other strategic transport projects in Harrogate Town Centre. Continue to support the schools with travel planning implementation.
	Emissions from construction		x		There is likely to be no impact.	N/A	N/A

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Emissions from running of buildings		X		N/A	N/A	N/A
Other						
Minimise <b>waste</b> : Reduce, reuse, recycle and compost e.g. reducing use of single use plastic		X				
Reduce <b>water</b> consumption		X				
Minimise <b>pollution</b> (including air, land, water, light and noise)	X			Over a longer time period by creating safer streets and supporting sustainable travel infrastructure in the immediate area will facilitate a modal shift of modes of transport.		

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<p>Ensure <b>resilience</b> to the effects of climate change e.g. reducing flood risk, mitigating effects of drier, hotter summers</p>		X				
<p>Enhance <b>conservation</b> and wildlife</p>		X				
<p>Safeguard the distinctive characteristics, features and special qualities of <b>North Yorkshire's landscape</b></p>		X			<p>New signage will be required, but necessary policies will be adhered to ensuring locations are sympathetic to the area and only where legally required.</p>	
<p>Other (please state below)</p>						

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<p><b>Are there any recognised good practice environmental standards in relation to this proposal?</b> If so, please detail how this proposal meets those standards.</p>
<p>N/A</p>

**Summary** Summarise the findings of your impact assessment, including impacts, the recommendation in relation to addressing impacts, including any legal advice, and next steps. This summary should be used as part of the report to the decision maker.

The purpose of this report is to provide an overarching update of Active Travel projects in Harrogate and Knaresborough. Where required individual projects will be reported for necessary legal, financial and climate change considerations.

**Sign off section**

This climate change impact assessment was completed by:

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<b>Job title</b>	Area Manager
<b>Service area</b>	Highways and Transportation
<b>Directorate</b>	Environment Services
<b>Signature</b>	M Burnham
<b>Completion date</b>	20.02.25

**Authorised by relevant Assistant Director (signature): Barrie Mason**

**Date: 06/03/2026**

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