



Agenda

Notice of a public meeting of: **Skipton and Ripon Area
Constituency Committee**

To: **Councillors Margaret Atkinson, Phillip Barrett,
Mike Chambers MBE (Chairman), Michael Harrison,
Robert Heseltine, David Ireton (Vice-Chairman),
Stanley Lumley, Stuart Martin MBE, Patrick Mulligan,
Gillian Quinn, Andy Solloway, David Staveley and
Robert Windass.**

Date: **Thursday, 27th May, 2021**

Time: **10.00 am**

Venue: **Remote meeting held using Microsoft Teams**

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Business

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Minutes of the committee meeting held on 11 March 2021** **(Pages 3 - 10)**
3. **Declarations of Interest**
4. **Public Questions or Statements**

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- when the relevant Agenda item is being considered if they wish to speak on a matter which is on the Agenda for this meeting.

If you are exercising your right to speak at this meeting, but do not wish to be recorded, please inform the Chairman who will instruct those taking a recording to cease whilst you speak.

5. **Update from the RT Hon Julian Smith MP**
6. **The visitor economy in North Yorkshire and the impact of Covid-19** – report of Karl Battersby, Corporate Director Business and Environmental Services, NYCC (Pages 11 - 24)
7. **Elective Home Education update** - report of Stuart Carlton, Corporate Director, Children and Young People's Services, NYCC (Pages 25 - 42)
8. **Digital Demand Responsive Bus Service** - report of Karl Battersby, Corporate Director Business and Environmental Services, NYCC (Pages 43 - 46)
9. **The Youth Council and engagement with the work of the Area Constituency Committee** - verbal update - report of Stuart Carlton, Corporate Director, Children and Young People's Services, NYCC
10. **Appointments to committee and outside bodies (extension of existing appointments)** - report of Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager, NYCC (Pages 47 - 52)
11. **Executive member update**
12. **Committee work programme** - report of the Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager, NYCC (Pages 53 - 58)
13. **Other business which the Chairman agrees should be considered as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances**

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Assistant Chief Executive
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County Hall
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19 May 2021

North Yorkshire County Council

Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee held on 11 March 2021 remotely using MS Teams, commencing at 10am.

This meeting was live broadcast on the North Yorkshire County Council YouTube site and a recording is available using the following link - <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/live-meetings>

Present:

County Councillors Margaret Atkinson, Philip Barrett, Mike Chambers MBE (Chairman), Robert Heseltine, David Ireton, Stanley Lumley, Patrick Mulligan, Gill Quinn and Andy Solloway.

County Council Officers: Daniel Harry (Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager), Allan McVeigh (Highways and Transportation, BES), Alexandra Hollifield, (Highways and Transportation, BES), Liz Meade (Stronger Communities Delivery Manager), Marion Tweed-Rycroft (Stronger Communities Delivery Manager), Chloe Thwaites (Youth Voice, CYPS) and Matthew Edwards (Youth Voice, CYPS).

Officers from other organisations: Ali Jan Haider (Bradford District and Craven CCG), Michael Dyson (NHS Property Services Ltd), Trudy Balderson (Airedale NHS Foundation Trust).

Other County Councillors present: David Chance, Gareth Dadd, Caroline Dickinson and Carl Les.

Guest speaker: the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP.

96. Welcome and introductions

The committee Chairman, Mike Chambers MBE, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

A minutes silence was held in the memory of County Councillor Richard Welch who sadly died in January 2021 and who had been a prominent member of the committee and the Craven Area Committee.

97. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillors Michael Harrison, Stuart Martin MBE and Robert Windass.

98. Minutes

Considered the minutes of the meeting of the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee held on 7 January 2021.

Resolved -

- a. That the Minutes of the meeting of the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee held on 7 January 2021, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

99. Any Declarations of Interest

There were none.

100. Public Questions or Statements

There were none.

101. Update from the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP

The committee Chairman, County Councillor Mike Chambers MBE, invited the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP to give an overview to the committee of some of his areas of work, concerns and priorities. The key points are as summarised below:

- The national vaccination programme is progressing well with 21 million people having received their first dose. The local delivery in North Yorkshire and the committee area has been exceptional
- The hospitality sector will need national and local support to help it recover from the pandemic
- There are significant economic challenges ahead and work will need to be done to adapt to the new trading environment, ensure that as few as possible jobs are lost and that new jobs are created
- The funding that has been secured for the work on the A59 at Kex Gill is very welcome
- The consultation on the options for Local Government Review (LGR) in North Yorkshire and York is also welcome. A unitary deal will help secure a devolution deal which will result in more powers and funding at a local level, particularly for infrastructure planning and delivery
- The tensions that have arisen as a result of the LGR process are noted and it is important to say that all councils in North Yorkshire and York have performed well and that the proposed reorganisation is not an indictment of poor performance.

There followed a discussion, during the course of which County Councillors made the following points:

- A huge amount of work has been done by all local authorities to deliver support and protection for vulnerable and shielded people. This demonstrated how organisations can work positively together and it is hoped that this will continue, whatever the outcome of LGR
- There is a need to reconsider how adult social care services are supported and funded in the long term. A review is long overdue and it is disappointing that the recent health and social care white paper makes very little mention of social care
- Some concerns raised about the appointments for vaccinations at national centres and the travel times involved. More could be done at a local level, building upon the work that had been done to date in response to the pandemic.

County Councillor Mike Chambers MBE thanked the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP for attending the meeting and answering questions from the committee members.

The Rt Hon Julian Smith MP left the meeting at 10:25am.

102. Final update on the re-provision and re-use of the Castleberg Community Hospital, Giggleswick

Considered -

A presentation by Ali Jan Haider (Bradford District and Craven CCG), Michael Dyson (NHS Property Services Ltd), Trudy Balderson (Airedale NHS Foundation Trust).

Ali Jan Haider delivered the presentation, with key points as summarised below:

- The hospital was temporarily closed on 13 April 2017 due to significant problems with the building structure. A public consultation was held over the period September to December 2017. The decision was taken to re-open the hospital in May 2018. Work commenced on the site and it was formally re-opened on 26 November 2019.
- The work was delayed by a number of factors including nesting birds and the need to manage more asbestos in the structure of the building than had previously been anticipated
- The landlord, commissioner and provider had worked well together on the project, This was not always the case and so there were some positive learning points from this
- Since the re-opening of the hospital there have been some snagging issues that the contractor has responded to
- There is further investment planned in the site, including replacement of windows and further development of the first floor
- The hospital was re-opened only 3 months prior to the pandemic and the national lockdown and so the focus has been upon maintaining a covid-safe site and enabling high quality care to be delivered as part of the NHS response.

There followed a discussion, during the course of which County Councillors made the following points:

- The hard work that County Councillor Richard Welch had done in supporting local efforts to develop and re-open the site was noted
- The Scrutiny of Health Committee took a robust stance on this back in April 2017, which helped raise the profile of the closure
- The commitment of the NHS locally to re-opening the site was applauded as it was recognised that it would have been easy to permanently close the hospital
- It was noted that the NHS locally working with partner agencies and community groups had achieved a great deal and the newly developed hospital was much valued.

County Councillor David Ireton asked what plans there were to use the first floor. Previously the committee had been informed that the lack of lift access meant that it could not be used as a multi-agency drop-in.

In response, Michael Dyson said that the first floor could be used as office space but was not suitable for wider public use and access due to the lack of a lift. At present, there was no funding available for a lift and the recent opening of a new community hub in Settle meant that there may be much less need for such a use of the first floor now.

County Councillor Mike Chambers MBE summed up and noted that this was a successful outcome for the Castleberg and that the hospital now had a bright future as a key part of health and social care delivery in the Craven area. He all thanked for attending the meeting.

Resolved –

- a. Thank all involved for their hard work and commitment to making a success out of the Castleberg over the past 4 years
- b. Daniel Harry to feedback to the Scrutiny of Health Committee the outcome of the scrutiny that the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee had undertaken.

103. Operation of the permit scheme for highways works and the quality of work undertaken by utilities companies

Considered -

A report by Allan McVeigh, Head of Network Strategy, Business and Environmental Services.

Allan McVeigh presented the report, with key points as summarised below:

- The Council's permit scheme was established in February 2018 to increase the efficient running of the highway network by proactively managing works on the highways
- There are four main types of permits: major, standard, minor and emergency
- There is a team that checks the submitted permits to ensure that any proposed works do not pose any co-ordination clashes and do not overly inconvenience the travelling public
- A team of 10 Street works inspectors monitor the works and undertake permit compliance inspections
- The reinstatement of the road or footpath surface after works can be temporary but permanent reinstatement must be completed within six months of finishing the works
- Where emergency works need to be undertaken, it is requested that the utilities company contacts the team directly
- There has been a big increase in the short duration works associated with fibre optic cabling schemes. The four major schemes in the county are Superfast North Yorkshire, NYnet, Cityfibre (formerly Talk Talk) and KCOM
- Many utilities companies suspended works during lockdown. Where possible, they were encouraged to go ahead to avoid a backlog in works post-lockdown.

There followed a discussion, during the course of which County Councillors made the following points:

- Good communication ahead of works taking place is key. A number of examples were given where works had been undertaken at short notice and with no explanation what was being done and when it would be completed
- Often Parish, Town, District and County Councillors are not informed of works
- The reinstatement of the highways after work has been completed is often of poor quality. It can be unsightly and out of keeping with the area. It can also mean that the reinstatement quickly de-grades and leads to pot holing
- Query as to whether 6 months was too long for the permanent reinstatement of the highway
- There was an incident recently in the committee area where emergency work was done immediately outside a vaccination centre, impeding access
- Concerns that there may be an incentive for some utilities companies to describe works as being 'emergency', when they are not, in order to get them done when they want them done

- Assurances were sought that, in urban areas, the work undertaken by one utilities provider did not then lead to damage to other utilities in that place and so further work being done in the future that could have been avoided
- Query as to whether more could be done to compel the utilities companies to better co-ordinate their work and so avoid the situation of the same area of the highway being dug up multiple times in a short time period
- Large scale works to highways and pathways are often started and then paused for days and even weeks, with no explanation.

In response to the issues raised by committee members, Allan McVeigh said that he would welcome the details of specific concerns raised about incidents in Pateley Bridge, Skipton and other areas so that he could provide a detailed response to the councillors concerned. In addition, he said that there were national guidelines in place for reinstatement works that were monitored by the 10 Street Works inspectors.

County Councillor Stanley Lumley said that the management of works on the highways by utilities companies was a massive challenge for the Council. He recognised the good work being done by the Network Information and Compliance Team, despite the limited resources that they had available.

County Councillor Carl Les said that the Council was going to setup an arms-length highways company and that all county councillors could engage in discussions about the service standards that we want to set.

County Councillor Mike Chambers MBE summed up and thanked the officers for attending.

Resolved –

- a. Thank the officers for attending and answering the questions posed by the committee
- b. Detailed responses to the specific concerns raised be followed up by Allan McVeigh and reported back to the county councillors concerned
- c. Come back to the committee in 6 months' time to provide an update on how the scheme is working and any issues arising from the post-pandemic recovery.

104. Stronger Communities: COVID19 Social Isolation and Approach to Community Efforts

Considered -

A report by Liz Meade, Stronger Communities Delivery Manager (Harrogate District) and Marion Tweed-Rycroft, Stronger Communities Delivery Manager (Craven District).

County Councillor David Chance introduced the report and said that the work done by Stronger Communities over the past 12 months had been a key part of the Council's response to the pandemic. The team had achieved the astounding feat of setting up the 23 community support organisations in only 4 days.

Liz Meade and Marion Tweed-Rycroft presented the report, with key points as summarised below:

- 23 Community Support Organisations (CSOs) were setup immediately prior to the national lockdown. They acted as a single point of contact within a locality and worked with local networks to coordinate a variety of volunteer led support services

- The Council extended opening hours to include weekends and public holidays to ensure that support was in place 7 days a week between 8.00am and 5.30pm
- About £950,000 was used to fund the CSOs over a 12-month period
- The CSOs will remain in place until September 2021
- The CSOs were supported by 95,000 volunteer hours and responded to about 82,000 contacts
- Government emergency assistance funding was channelled through the CSOs
- The CSOs have also provided support with the implementation of the national vaccination programme locally.

There followed a discussion, during the course of which County Councillors made the following points:

- The work done to support vulnerable and shielding people in the community was exceptional and key to the overall response to the pandemic in North Yorkshire
- The commitment of volunteers to support the community response was impressive and it was hoped that this resource could be used in the longer term
- The Stronger team have worked really hard to setup and oversee the running of the CSOs. Their commitment is to be applauded
- The way that a broad range of organisations have pulled together during the pandemic shows that whatever the outcome of the Local Government Review, we will be able to make it work for the people of North Yorkshire
- There are lessons that can be learned from the work done by the CSOs during the pandemic. So much has been achieved and it would be sad to see an abrupt end to this form of active community support and engagement in September 2021
- Some concerns that the CSOs, in working with a broad range of vulnerable people in the community who prior to the pandemic would not have received a service from the Council, may have created a dependency that will be difficult to manage after the pandemic has abated.

County Councillor Mike Chambers MBE summed up and thanked the officers for attending.

Resolved –

- a. Thank the officers for attending and answering the questions posed by the committee
- b. The next Annual Report to be presented to the committee in March 2022.

105. Executive members update

County Councillor Carl Les thanked the Chairman for the invitation to attend the committee. He said that he welcomed the feedback from committee members on what was happening in their local area and the issues that are important to them and the electorate that they represent. He updated as follows:

- Whilst the infection rates were falling, there was still a need to follow the rules to help prevent a third wave
- The drive behind Local Government Review is the achievement of devolved powers and funding, which will enable substantial funding to be drawn into the county.

County Councillor Gareth Dadd said that an additional £0.5m of capital funding had been contributed by the Council to the A59 Kex Gill work. The Council is committed to the delivery of this scheme that has such strategic importance. He noted the hard

work that had been done by the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP to enable the scheme to progress and that this was a clear example of how the ACCs could work effectively with MPs and key stakeholders to improve infrastructure and services their area.

County Councillor Caroline Dickinson gave an update on the prevalence data for covid-19 and the roll out of the national vaccination programme.

County Councillor Patrick Mulligan said that he was pleased that pupils had returned to school and gave thanks to all of the teaching staff and Council staff that had made this happen.

County Councillor Mike Chambers MBE thanked the Executive members for their updates and for taking the time to attend the meeting.

106. Committee Work Programme

Considered -

A report by Daniel Harry, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager, outlining the committee work programme.

Daniel Harry introduced the report and asked that Members review the committee's work programme, taking into account the outcome of discussions on previous agenda items and any other developments taking place across the area.

Resolved -

a. That the committee work programme be reviewed by members.

107. Other business which the Chairman agrees should be considered as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances.

Chloe Thwaites and Matthew Edwards outlined the work that they are doing with the Youth Council and the links that they are hoping to make with the ACCs in the county. The Skipton and Ripon ACC is being used as a pilot to see how young people from the Youth Council could meaningfully engage with the committees.

County Councillor Mike Chambers MBE expressed his support for this pilot and welcomed greater engagement with young people in the work of the committee.

The meeting concluded at 12.20pm

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The visitor economy in North Yorkshire and the impact of Covid-19 – update May 2021

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Ripon and Skipton Area Constituency Committee

Matt O'Neill- Assistant Director Growth, Planning & Trading Standards



Questions from Committee:

- What can be done to promote and embed the 'staycation'?
- What support can be put in place for the creative and entertainment industry to enable it to recover from the impact of the pandemic?
- Tourism remains a key part of the local economy. What more can be done to raise wages and create defined career paths?
- What does the post-Brexit and post-pandemic economy look like? What will be the new opportunities for businesses?



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Domestic tourism in North Yorkshire 2019

- Domestic tourism in North Yorkshire generates approximately **30m day visits and 3m staying visitors** who spend **11m nights and £623m** in the county each year.

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Domestic visitors to North Yorkshire spend approximately **£1.536 bn each year**. On this basis an estimate would suggest that tourism accounts for **11% of the overall economy of North Yorkshire**.

- Tourism in North Yorkshire supports an estimated **41,200 jobs or 14% of all employment**
- North Yorkshire has the **5th highest number of visitors in the country when compared with other English Counties**.

Source: Visit Britain 2019

Overseas Visitors to North Yorkshire

- Inbound overseas visitors to North Yorkshire account for 446,000 visits per annum
 - Total Expenditure by international visitors is £168m
 - Average spend per visit is £378
- Overseas tourism accounts for 9.8% of the visitor economy as a whole in North Yorkshire



Impacts of Covid-19 in North Yorkshire

- **At the peak of lockdown nearly 25,000 jobs in accommodation and food services** have been furloughed from a **total of 32,000**
- The arts, culture and events sector has been one of the hardest hit parts of the economy. In North Yorkshire with **6000 of 8000 jobs in arts and entertainment furloughed.**

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The **Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme remains in place until September 2021** and as yet there is little sign of significant job losses or permanent business closures either nationally or within North Yorkshire.

- **Theatres and performance venues remain closed** or operating at reduced levels. There has been support from Arts Council England for Cultural Organisations.
- On the whole visitor economy businesses appear to have been remarkably resilient. Buy Local- a really strong message and tool created by NYCC

Support for the tourism industry...

- **UK Government**
- VAT reduction to 5% for hospitality businesses
- Business rates holiday for retail and hospitality – to March 2021
- Grants for business of £10,000 and £5,000 – dependent upon rateable value
- Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (Furlough)
- Government backed loan schemes (delaying repayment window)
- Restart Grants- enable COVID19 safe “opening back up”



Cont... Support for the tourism industry...

- **Visit England – ‘We’re Good to Go’**, Covid Secure accreditation scheme
- **Welcome to Yorkshire Recovery Plan – Re-Open, Recover, Rebuild** - including Welcome Back to Yorkshire, and Yorkshire Gift Card and government funded £300k marketing programme.
- **Local Enterprise Partnership** business support measures.
- **NYCC Trading Standards** and Environmental Health support for compliance
- measures. Support for social distancing in town centres- Highways- street café's

What can be done to promote and embed the 'staycation'?

- Domestic tourism has always been the mainstay of the visitor economy in North Yorkshire and continues to account for 90% of all visitor spend.
 - Historically loyal repeat visitors represent a high proportion of visitors to North Yorkshire.
- Local tourism strategies should concentrate on attracting new first time visitors and converting them into habitual repeaters. First Impressions Count...
- Local DMOs and businesses can improve online marketing and messaging- linking to other attractions/ events and activities aim to cannibalise spend- longer stays = more £ retained locally.



What support can be put in place for the creative and entertainment industry to enable it to recover from the impact of the pandemic?

- In North Yorkshire 49 organisations received cultural recovery fund grants from DCMS to a value of £5,968,923. 25 organisations also received £915,240 from ACE and NLHF's emergency funding.
- A new draft North Yorkshire Cultural Framework includes a priority to develop Cultural Leadership and Connectivity, and focuses on joining up within the sector. Building capacity in it's organisations to ensure greater resilience and sustainability.
- The Cultural Framework also highlights the value of the cultural sector in supporting local economic growth (including tourism), town centre regeneration and public health outcomes.
- Specific business support and skills programmes for creatives



Tourism remains a key part of the local economy. What more can be done to raise wages and create defined career paths?

- The domestic visitor economy has often tended towards 'value' in order to be competitive, particularly in relation to low cost overseas markets fuelled by cheap flights from low cost airlines.

Support could be given to enable businesses to be better able to compete on quality, encouraging visitors to spend more on a higher quality offering.

- Investment and support for skills and training in the workforce can also help to raise customer service and in turn wages.
- In order to harness innovation visitor economy businesses should seek to become more adept at using technology and collecting and using data and market research.

What does the post-Brexit and post-pandemic economy look like? What will be the new opportunities for businesses?

- The government's recent announcements on climate change, and the publication of the 10 point plan for a green industrial revolution, point towards a focus on the low carbon economy and opportunities for sustainable economic growth.
- Among the opportunities presented by the increasing interest in the zero carbon economy there will be new opportunities for sustainable tourism delivery models and products.
- The move away from the office and greater emphasis on quality of life will see the creation of new opportunities in the North Yorkshire economy – for example working for Google and living in Grassington... the future is global for our businesses.
- Other key growth sectors will be based upon our traditional core industries, food manufacturing, creative and digital, manufacturing and agriculture.

Other potential long term support for the visitor economy...



- Reduction in VAT rates for hospitality sector and long term restructuring of business rates
 - Further emphasis on the promotion and management of destinations post pandemic – as was seen following foot and mouth in the 2000's.
- Accessible finance for capital investments to get business ready for a high quality offer all year round
- Support for events, performance venues and wedding venues which unable to trade due to restrictions on gatherings.
 - Development of a visitor economy strategy for North Yorkshire with focus on longer term issues of economic growth, employment and sustainability in the sector.

Thank you

Questions?

Ripon & Skipton ACC

EHE update

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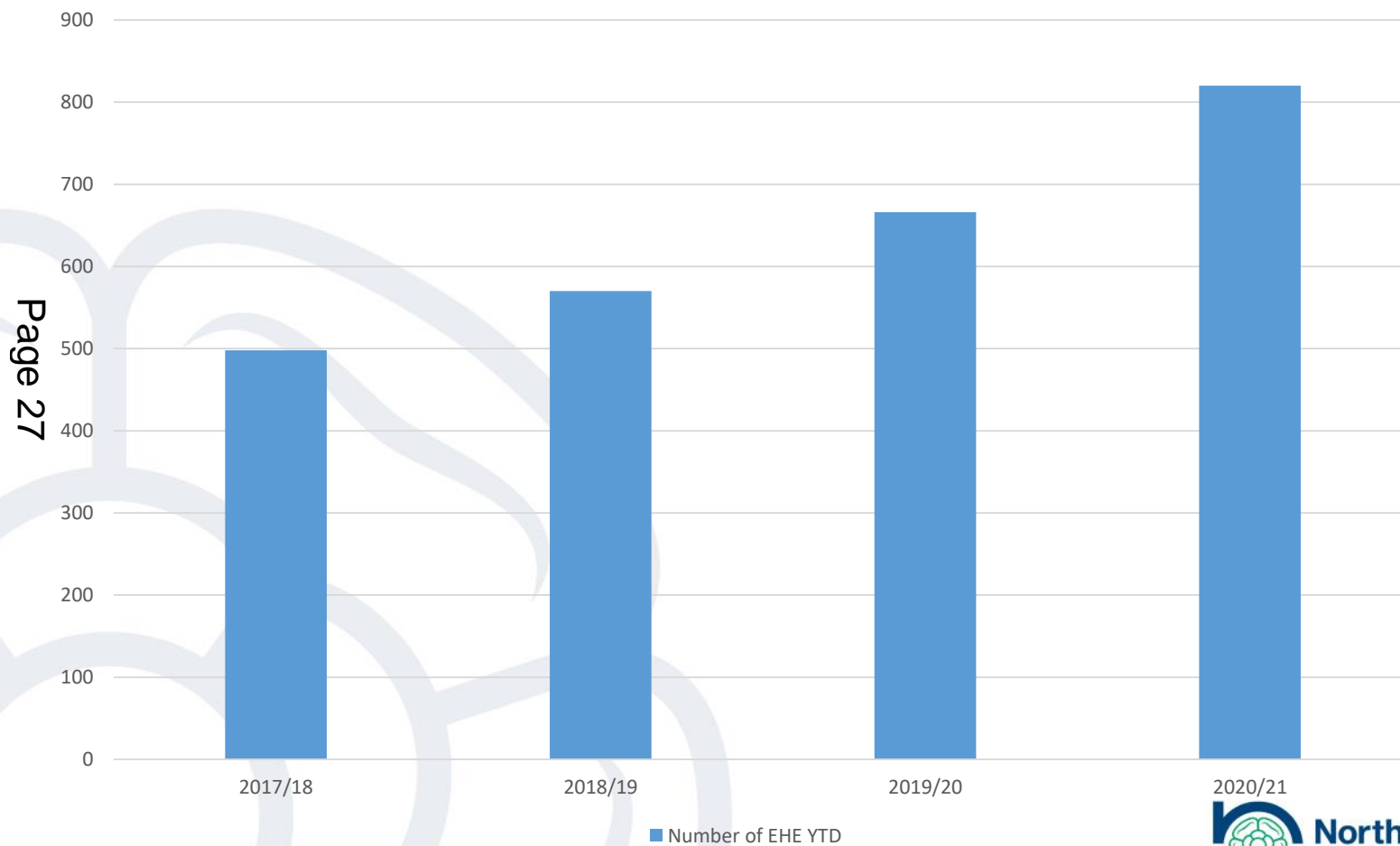
The impact of the pandemic on home schooling in the county

What impact has the pandemic had upon the number of children who are being home schooled and what is the role of the Council in the oversight of home schooling provision?

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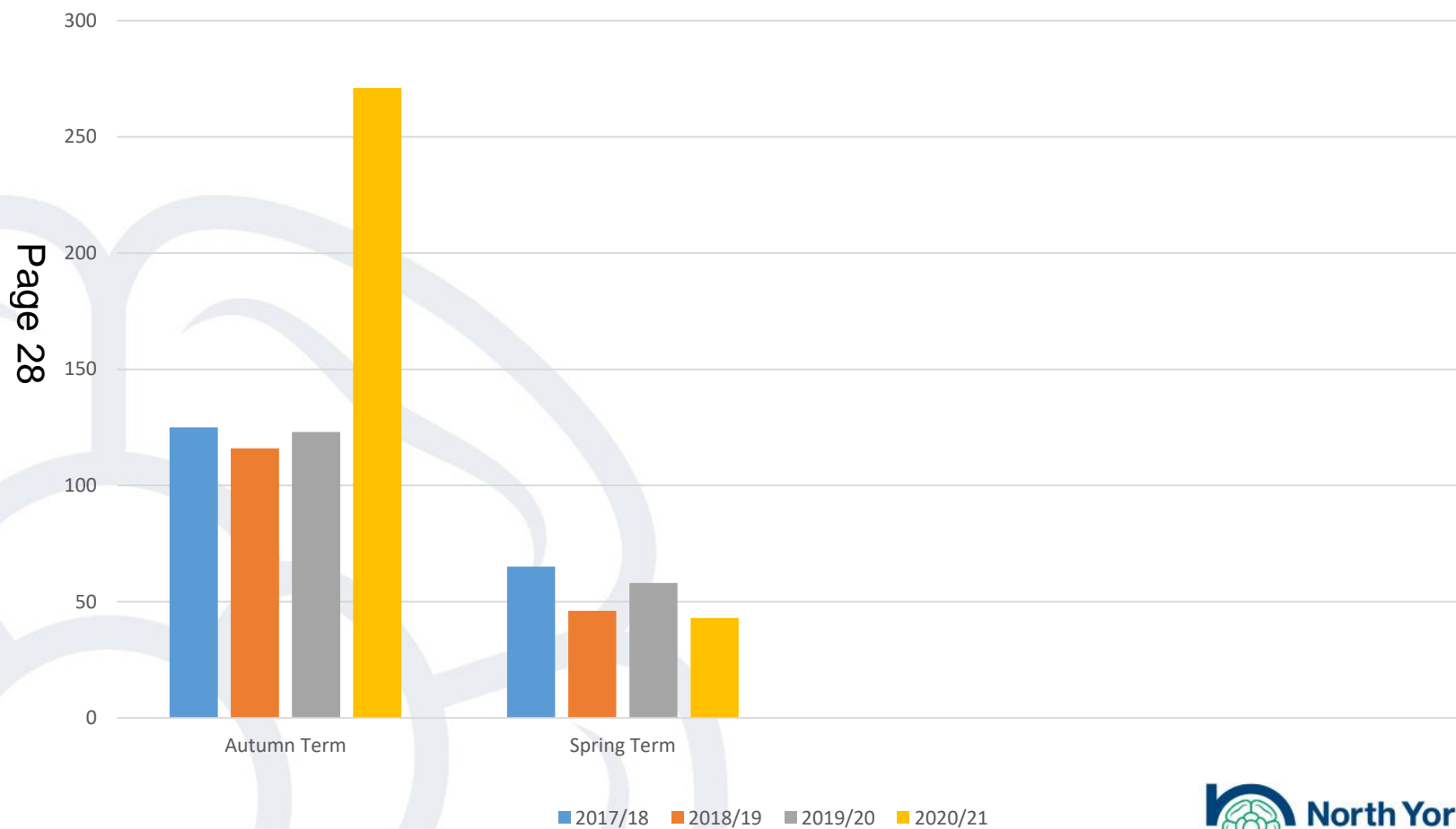
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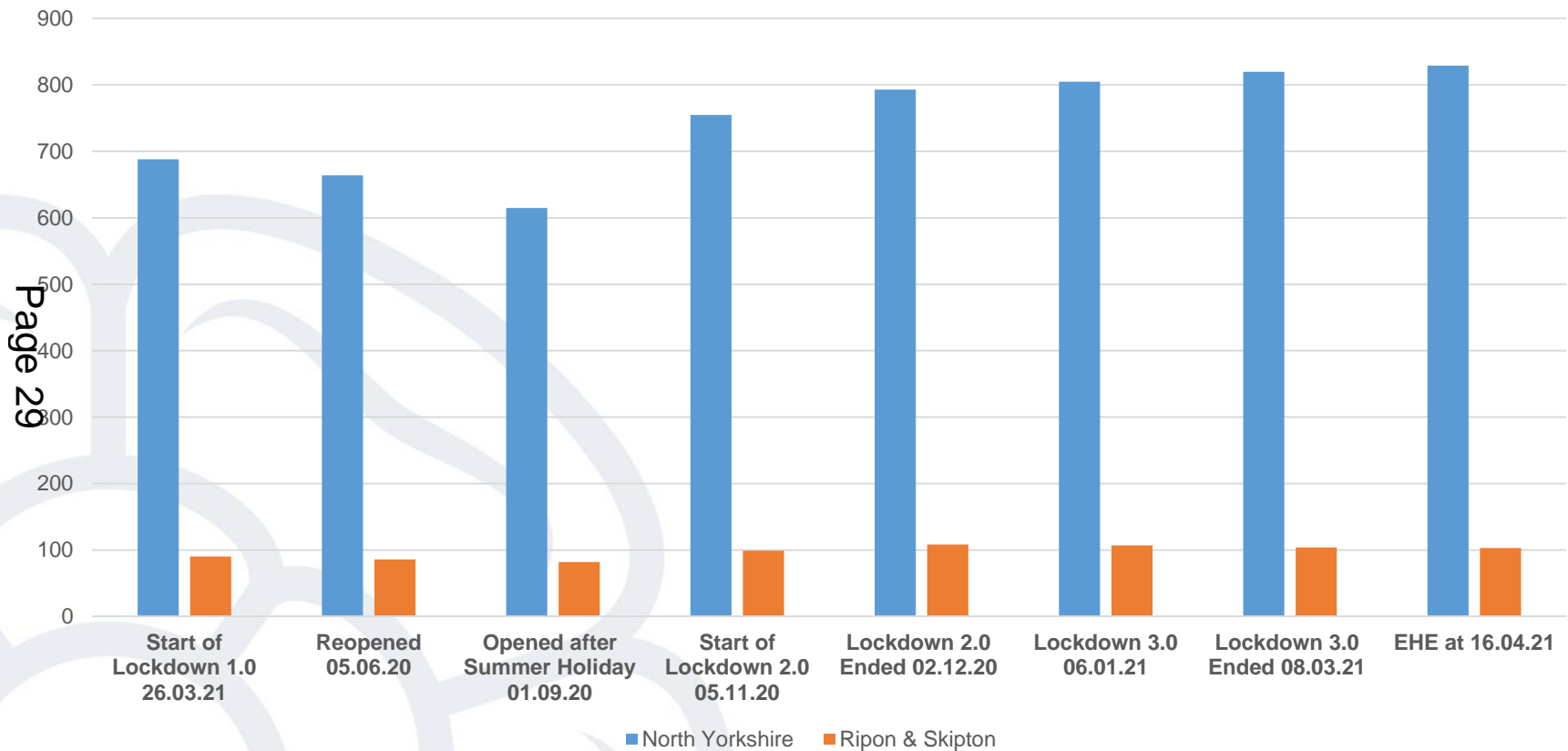
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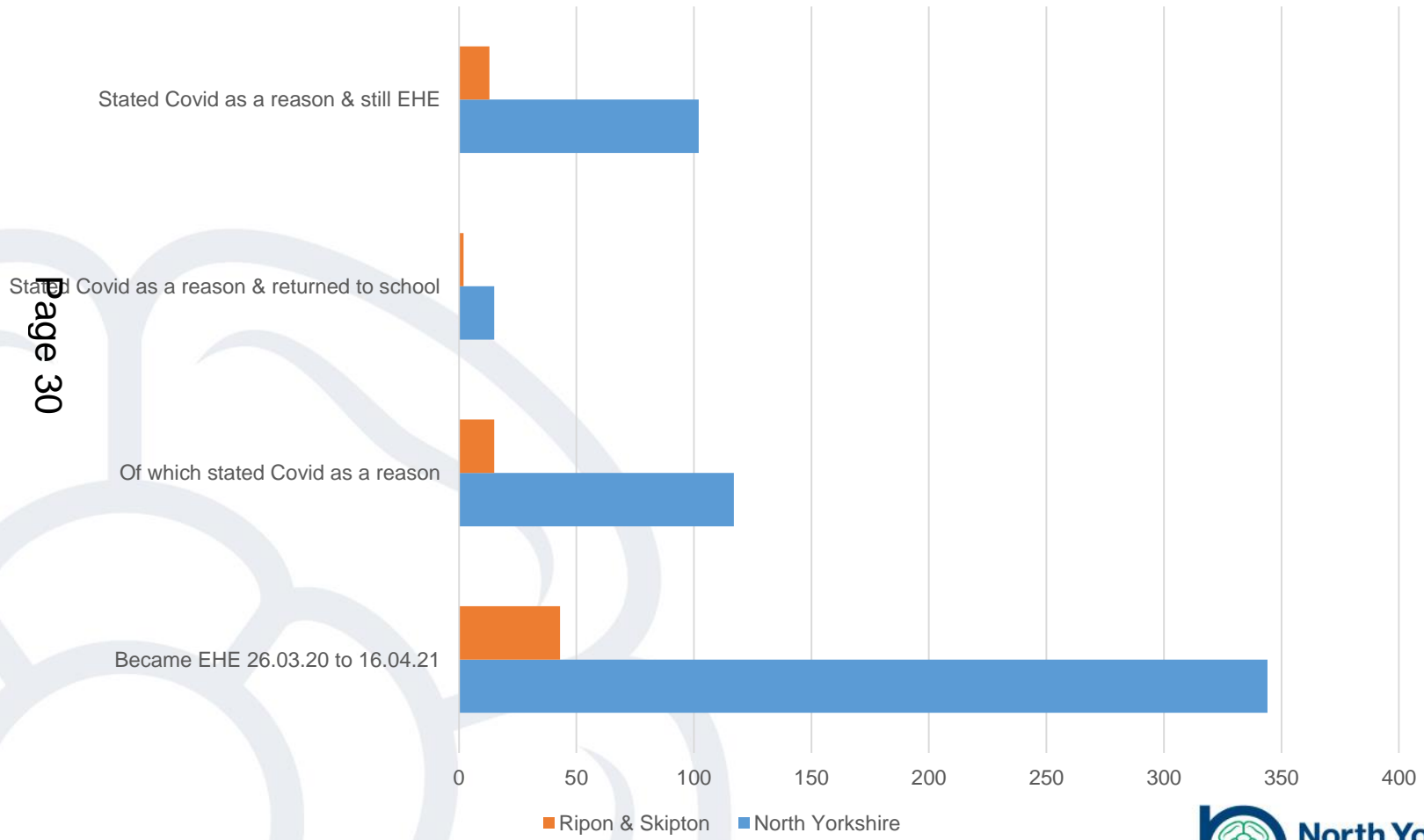


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Number of children EHE



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Potential reasons for increase

- Parents didn't feel their child was safe during the Covid-19 pandemic
- Parents didn't feel the family were safe during the Covid-19 pandemic
- Unknown risks associated with Covid-19
- Positive experience of EHE during Lockdown
- The child experienced
 - bullying in school
 - anxiety which was escalated by attending school
 - fixed term exclusions/ permanent exclusion
 - poor attendance at school resulting in parents facing penalties

Roadmap out of Lockdown: Is it expected that the numbers of children being home educated will fall as the vaccination programme is delivered?

A recent survey indicates that 42% of parents who have recently decided to EHE will return their child into education post COVID.

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Background of EHE at NYCC

A Review of Elective Home Education was undertaken in 2020 encompassing:

- Pathway and roles across CYPS
- Reasons for EHE
- Oversight of appropriateness of education
- Advice, guidance and support for parents
- Powers if education is not deemed appropriate
- Policy and guidance

Background of EHE at NYCC

Changes informed by the review:

- Responsibility for EHE has moved to Sarah Fawcett in the Inclusion Service
- Referral and monitoring pathway has been updated to join up responsibilities across the directorate for all areas – early help, school improvement and Inclusion
- 4 EHE Advisors currently being recruited to manage the EHE processes across localities
- Policy update underway
- CYPS Info updated and series of webinars to be arranged for schools to communicate developments

What is the role of the Council in having some oversight of the quality of education that is provided?

NYCC has a duty to ensure all children in North Yorkshire are receiving an **efficient suitable full-time education** for the child's **age ability and aptitude** as set out in DfE Guidance 2019 '[Elective home education: departmental guidance for local authorities \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/414141/Elective_home_education_departmental_guidance_for_local_authorities.pdf)'

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The guidance enables a LA to '**identify children who are not receiving a suitable education and to do something about it.** The end result should be that every child is receiving a suitable education in a safe and appropriate setting, whether at home or in school' (*EHE: departmental guidance for LA's, DfE 2019*).

What is the role of the Council in having some oversight of the quality of education that is provided?

S.2.4 states that 'there are no specific legal requirements as to the content of the home education, provided the parents are meeting their duty in s.7 of *the Education Act 1996*. This means that education does not need to include any particular subjects, and does not need to have reference to the National Curriculum; and there is no legal requirement to enter children for public examinations. There is no obligation to follow the 'school-day' or have holidays which mirror those observed by school'.

Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 provides that:

*'The parent of every child of compulsory school age shall cause him/her to receive **efficient full-time education suitable** –*

*To his/her **age, ability and aptitude**, and*

*To any **special educational needs** he/she may have, either by regular attendance at school or otherwise'.*

If parents do EHE, section 7 means that the child should be receiving an **'efficient, suitable full-time education'**.

What is the role of the Council in having some oversight of the quality of education that is provided?

If a child is being EHE NYCC is required to enquire what education is being provided. Identification of children who are EHE forms a significant element of fulfilling NYCC's duty under s.436A of the *Education Act 1996* – **to make arrangements to enable the authority to establish, so far as it is possible to do so, the identities of children in its area who are not receiving a suitable education.** Until NYCC is satisfied that a child who is EHE is receiving a suitable full-time education, then a EHE child is potentially in scope of this duty (*S.4.2 EHE: departmental guidance for LA's, DfE, 2019*).

What is the role of the Council in having some oversight of the quality of education that is provided?

New Pathway June 2021

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4x 0.5 FTE EHE Advisors

Parents/Carers must satisfy NYCC that suitable education is in place

- DfE advice was provided to LAs in Autumn 2020 to facilitate meetings between school and parents prior to a decision being taken to EHE
- NYCC's response to DfE advice included updating EHE pathway and introducing a pre-decision meeting which now takes place as soon as parent/carers are considering EHE & prior to a final decision being made
- Schools to contact Lead EOTAS Sarah.Fawcett@northyorks.gov.uk to organise pre-decision meeting

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Purpose of meeting:

- Discuss why EHE is being considered
- Explore alternative options to EHE
- Identify if LA can help parents/carers & school overcome any issues
- Ensure parents/carers have an informed understanding of EHE

Suitability of Education

NYCC's Overall Factors DfE Guidance 2019:

- Where the education takes place
- When the education takes place
- Resources/Materials used
- Educational Content
- Evidence of Learning & Progress
- Appropriate for child's age, ability, interests & future choices
- Access to accreditation as appropriate
- Access to learning that will benefit adulthood
- Opportunity for socialisation & interaction
- Child's views including their aspirations

New EHE Pathway

- If Education is deemed suitable by EHE Advisors parents/carers will be contacted again in around 12 months time as per DfE Guidance
- If Education is found not suitable:
 - EHE Advisors will advise parents/carers where education is falling down so they have a clear understanding of what changes need to be made to meet suitability threshold
 - EHE Advisor will take record of education to panel 15 days after it is found unsuitable, parents may choose to attend and may supply further evidence of education that has been put in place in last 15 days. Panel will hear from EHE Advisor, parents/carers (optional) & will look at evidence supplied to reach outcome
 - Feedback from panel is shared with parents/carers
 - If panel find education is not suitable a School Attendance Order (SAO) may be served
 - Parents may also face Prosecution
 - If parents/carers do not comply with SAO an Education Supervision Order (ESO) will be applied for



**North Yorkshire County Council
Skipton and Ripon Constituency Committee – 27 May 2021
Digital Demand Responsive Bus Service**

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To update the committee on plans to introduce a Digital Demand Responsive Service within the county from 1 July 2021 for a trial period of up to 12 months.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The majority of bus services operating in the county are provided by a commercial network of bus services. Currently around 90% of bus passenger journeys are made on such services and the remaining services are financially supported. These services are delivered in a traditional way through fixed routes and set timetables. Other councils in different areas of the UK have investigated, trialed and successfully implemented different passenger transport models. Demand Responsive Transport services have been successfully introduced by other local authorities (such as Lincolnshire, Norfolk and Tees Valley).
- 2.2 A demand responsive service is a flexible transport service, where transport is shared and vehicles vary their routes based on demand rather than using a fixed route or timetable, therefore providing transport that would react to local needs.

3.0 Digital Demand Responsive Service

- 3.1 A digital demand response service is to be introduced within the county from 1 July 2021 for a trial period of up to 12 months. A map of the trial area can be found at Annex 1.
- 3.2 The service will be supported digitally. This means software for devices will be available on the passenger and driver side:
- Passengers will be able to book and pay for a journey using an 'app' (a software application). However a telephone booking channel and payment on bus will be available. Digital booking and payment does contribute to the longer term sustainability of such services.
 - The drivers receive their routes based on advance or real-time bookings. The most efficient route in each case is calculated depending on the passengers' pick-up and destination points and are communicated to the driver on a device similar to a 'sat-nav'.
- 3.3 The software will prevent bookings for journeys being made where these can be made on existing commercial services. This is to ensure the financial stability of these services is not put at risk. There are five subsidised services in the trial area and the software will prevent bookings on one of these (service number 159) that is partially routed in the trial area. However, the software will allow bookings to be made on four subsidised services (136, 138, 138A, 139 and 144) that are wholly in the zone. A map of these supported services can be found at Annex 2

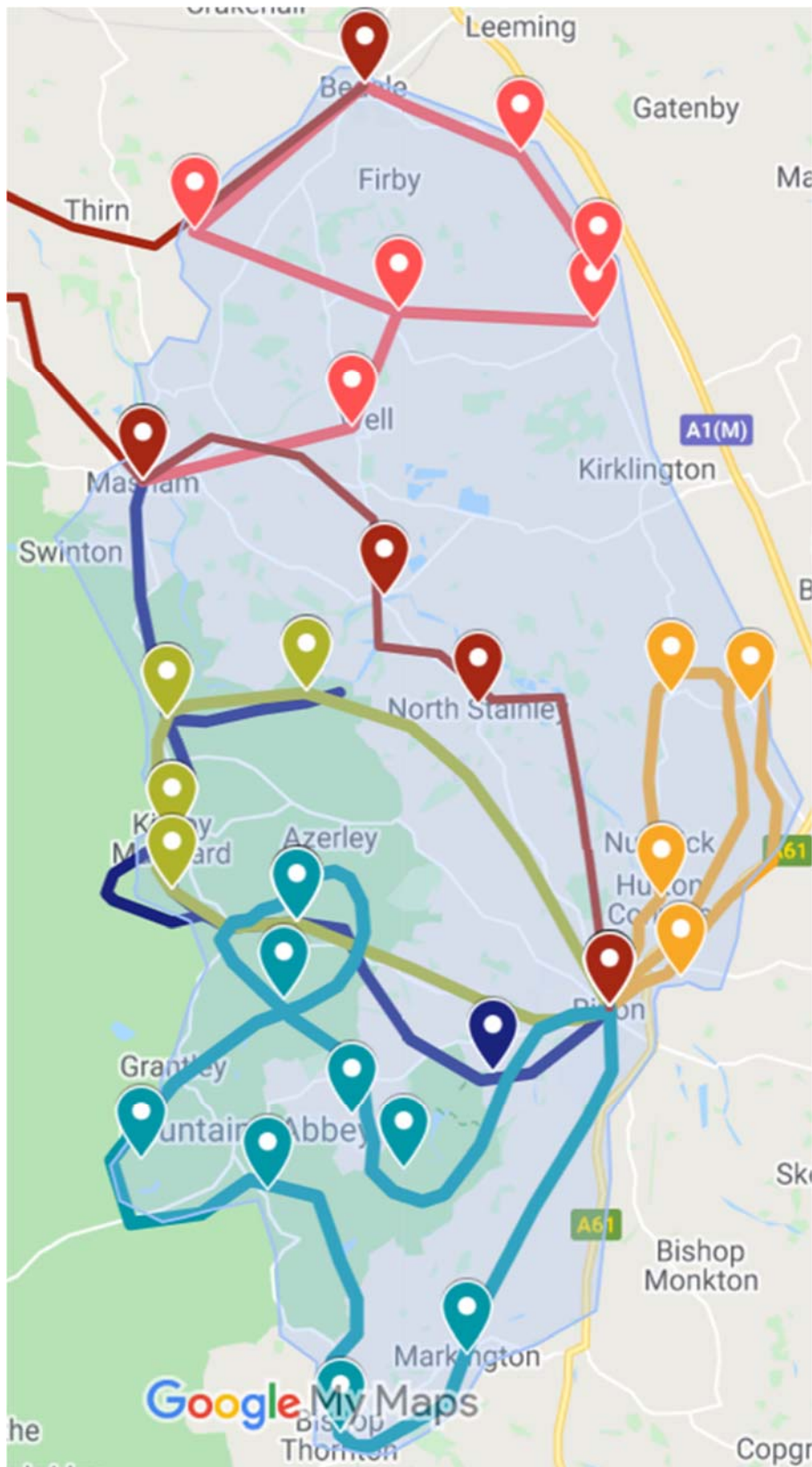
- 3.4 As detailed above, the service will operate on demand and have flexible routing, but as it will be a public transport service the vehicle will be shared by customers. This is unlike taxis which are a more private form of transport and not usually shared. In practice this means:
- The software may divert the vehicle from direct journeys to pick up or drop off different passengers (unlike a taxi).
 - Passengers may need to wait to be picked up (where as taxi is usually 'instant' pick up).
 - The service will operate from bus stop to bus stop (unlike a taxi).
- 3.5 There will be limitations in the software on the maximum diversion and wait time. It may also be possible that not all journey requests can be met, particularly at peak times. However the fares charged will be similar to local bus fares. There will be a flat fare of £1.20 (£0.65 child) and ENCTS passes accepted.
- 3.6 The provision of the bus service will be by the Integrated Passenger Transport internal fleet and the Customer Service Centre will manage the telephone channel. A third party supplier will be used to deliver a digital booking and software for devices on the passenger and driver side.
- 3.7 A comprehensive marketing campaign will target passengers in the pilot area to raise awareness of the service and how to access it. In addition, 'How To' videos and FAQs will be developed for members of the public using the app. A series of 'roadshows' will be undertaken with staff spending time at key locations in the trial area to promote the service and explain to potential passengers how to make bookings.
- 3.8 Forthcoming key dates are:
- 1 June 2021: Transport, Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee mid cycle briefing
 - 9 June 2021: Richmond Area Constituency Committee
 - 22-25 June 2021: Roadshows
 - 1 July 2021: Service starts
- 3.9 Once the service has started Members within the trial area will receive regular updates by email highlighting some or all of the following:
- Patronage/usage levels
 - Popular locations
 - Any challenges and how they are being addressed
 - Indicative customer feedback (rate my ride star rating)
- 3.10 Consideration has been given to the potential for any adverse equality impacts arising from the project and an Equalities Impact Assessment has been completed. No adverse impacts have currently been identified and the Equalities Impact Assessment will continue to be reviewed and refreshed throughout the project.

4.0 Recommendation

- 4.1 The Committee is asked to note and discuss the information in this report.

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DATE: 16 April 2021





North Yorkshire County Council

Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee

27 May 2021

Appointments to Local Bodies

1.0	Purpose of the Report
1.1	To enable appointments to Local Bodies in the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee (ACC) area, previously made by the Craven and Harrogate Area Committees, to be extended in light of the deferment of the planned County Council elections to May 2022.
1.2	To make an appointment to the vacant seat on the Forest of Bowland AONB Joint Advisory Committee.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The appointments to Local Bodies for the area now covered by the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee were made by the Craven and Harrogate Area Committees in 2017, following the County Council elections.
- 2.2 The Constitution identifies three categories of outside bodies. Those to which this Area Committee appoints are in Categories 2 and 3 (known as Local Bodies). Category 2 outside bodies typically operate across the geographic area of more than one Electoral Division and appointments to them should be County Councillors. The person appointed to a Category 3 outside body is expected to be a member of the local community, but may be the local Member.
- 2.3 At the meetings of the Craven and Harrogate Area Committees, on 31 May 2017 and the 1 June 2017 respectively the appointments to Category 2 outside bodies were made until “the County Council elections in 2021” and the appointments to Category 3 outside bodies were made “until a replacement is appointed”.

3.0 Process for extending appointments

- 3.1 The recent deferment of the planned County Council elections to from May 2021 to May 2022 means that the appointments to Category 2 outside bodies need to be extended. The appointments to Category 3 outside bodies can stand as they are, unless committee members are aware of any vacancies that need to be filled.
- 3.2 The current appointments to the Category 2 outside bodies that fall within the remit of this committee are as follows:
- Craven and Harrogate Districts Citizens Advice Bureau – Cllr Heseltine (Craven Area Committee appointment) and Cllr Trotter (Harrogate Area Committee appointment)
 - Gouthwaite Reservoir Board of Management – Cllr Lumley
 - Nidderdale AONB Joint Advisory Committee – Cllrs Atkinson, Harrison and Lumley
 - Safer Craven Local Delivery Team – Cllr Solloway.
- 3.3 The full list of the Category 2 and Category 3 outside bodies, as currently specified in the Council Constitution, are detailed in Appendix 1.

4.0 Appointment to the Forest of Bowland AONB Joint Advisory Committee

- 4.1 Following the untimely death of County Councillor Richard Welch in January 2021, there is a vacancy on the Forest of Bowland AONB Joint Advisory Committee. The AONB is a partnership organisation made up of local authorities, national environmental agencies and local representatives from landowning and recreation interest groups. Representatives from these groups sit on the Forest of Bowland AONB Joint Advisory Committee. The committee is asked to make an appointment to the end of the current Council in May 2022.

5.0 Recommendations

- 5.1 That the committee extends the current appointments to the Category 2 outside bodies that fall within the remit of this committee to the end of the current Council in May 2022
- 5.2 That the committee considers whether any appointments to Category 3 outside bodies need to be made to fill any vacancies that have arisen
- 5.3 That the committee makes an appointment to the vacant seat on the Forest of Bowland AONB Joint Advisory Committee.

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5 May 2021

Report Author: Daniel Harry, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager

Background documents:

Craven Area Committee papers for the meeting held on 31 May 2017 - [Meeting of Craven Area Committee on Wednesday, 31st May, 2017 | North Yorkshire County Council](#)

County Area Committee for Harrogate District papers for the meeting held on 1 June 2017 - [Meeting of County Area Committee for the Harrogate District on Thursday, 1st June, 2017 | North Yorkshire County Council](#)

County Council Constitution – [New Council Constitutions \(northyorks.gov.uk\)](#)

2. LOCAL BODIES (appointments by Area Constituency Committees)

- ♦ Those appointed to these bodies should be County Councillors.
- ♦ The appointments will be made by the Area Constituency Committee(s) concerned.
- ♦ Some officer briefing or other support may be provided.
- ♦ Any report back will be to the Area Committee (which may report to the Executive on it, if appropriate).
- ♦ Expenses will be paid to County Councillors unless they are payable by the body appointed to.

	<u>No of seats</u>	
Citizens Advice Scarborough and District	1 + Sub	CC R Swiers
Craven and Harrogate Districts Citizens Advice Bureau	2 (1 Craven and 1 Harrogate)	CC C Trotter CC R Heseltine
Forest of Bowland AONB Joint Advisory Committee	1 + Sub	CC R Welch
Gouthwaite Reservoir Board of Management	3	Vacancy CC S Lumley Mr David Gotto
Hambleton Community Action	1	CC D Blades
Harrogate District Community Safety Local Delivery Team	1	CC C Trotter
Hartlepool Power Station Local Community Liaison Council	1	CC H Moorhouse
Howardian Hills AONB Joint Advisory Committee	2 + Subs	CC C Goodrick CC C Patmore
Knaresborough Community Centre Committee	1	CC Z Metcalfe
National Coal Mining Museum for England Liaison Committee	1 (+1 sub)	CC M Hobson
Nidderdale AONB Joint Advisory Committee	3 + Subs	CC M Atkinson CC M Harrison CC S Lumley Sub: CC P Haslam
North Yorkshire and Cleveland Coastal Forum Executive Committee	3	CC J Plant CC D Bastiman CC A Jenkinson Sub: CC H Swiers
Renaissance Knaresborough Management Committee	1	CC Z Metcalfe
Safer Craven Local Delivery Team	1	CC A Solloway
Safer Hambleton Steering Group for Community Safety	1	CC H Moorhouse
Safer Richmondshire Community Safety Local Delivery Team	1	CC C Les
Safer Ryedale Delivery Team	1 + Sub	CC V Arnold
Safer Selby Local Delivery Team	1	CC S Duckett
Scarborough United Scholarships Foundation with the John Kendal Trust	1 + Sub	CC J Jefferson
Selby District Association for Voluntary Services	1 + Sub	CC K Arthur

3. **LOCAL BODIES (appointee expected to be a member of the local community (but may be the local Member) nominated by the local Member)**

- ♦ The person appointed is expected to be a member of the local community, but may be the local Member.
- ♦ The local Member will make a nomination to the relevant Area Committee.
- ♦ The relevant Area Committee will make the appointment.
- ♦ There will be no officer support.
- ♦ There will be no report back (unless the local Member deems it necessary). Any report back will be to the Corporate Director - Strategic Resources.
- ♦ Expenses will not be paid by the County Council.

NB: The following outside bodies are not Partnerships for the purpose of Partnership Governance as they do not meet the relevant criteria.

	No of seats	
Amotherby Educational Foundation	1	Mrs H Woodall
Appleton Wiske Educational Foundation	1	Mr T Swales
Atkinson and Clarke Educational Foundation (Newton-le-Willows/Patrick Brompton)	1	Mr G Shepherd
Bellerby School Foundation	1	Mrs E Scott
Boyle and Petyt Foundation (Bolton Abbey)	1	Mrs M Longden
Carleton Endowed School Trust (Skipton)	2	Mrs E K Brown Mrs M Mason
Castle Bolton and Redmire Education Foundation	1	Mr D Morton
Christopher Wharton Educational Foundation	1	CC C Goodrick
Clarke's Old School Foundation Wigglesworth	1	Mr P Raper
Constance Elizabeth Beckwith Bequest (Easingwold and Husthwaite)	1	Mr John Tanner Smith
Coulthurst Sandylands Sports Centre Management Committee	1	CC A Solloway
Cridling Stubbs Educational Charity	1	CC J McCartney
Edward Atkinson Charity (Camblesforth)	1	CC M Jordan
Elizabeth Barnett Charity (East Witton)	1	Mrs D Duffus
Eskdaleside-cum-Ugglebarnby Educational Foundation	1	CC Clive Pearson
Greenhow Enhancement Fund	1	Mr J Fort BEM
Hargraves and Green Educational Foundation (Giggleswick/Austwick)	1	Mr C Fryer
Heber Charity (Thornton-le-Beans)	1	CC B Baker
Horsehouse School Charity (Carlton Highdale)	1	Roger Harrison-Topham
Horton-in-Ribblesdale Exhibition Foundation Governors	1	Mr James Davis Mrs Sandra Ireton
Horton-in-Ribblesdale Foundation Governors	1	Mrs Linn Booth
John Dakyn Trust, East Cowton Fund	1	Dr Ruth Smith
John Dakyn's Educational Charity at Kirby Hill	2	CC A Thompson Mr Alan J Cowie
John Stockton Education Foundation (Kirbymoorside)	3	Mr M Dickinson Mrs Julia Bretnam Mrs M Garside
King James's Foundation at Knaresborough	1	CC Z Metcalfe
Kirkby Overblow Educational Foundation	1	CC C Trotter
Lady Lumley's Educational Foundation (Pickering)	1	CC G White
Langcliffe Educational Foundation	1	Mrs M Lodge

	No of seats	
Longstaffes Educational Foundation, High Bentham	1	CC D Ireton
Lupton Foundation (High and Low Bishopside)	2	Mr J Fort BEM Mrs Hilary Jefferson
Mary Waud Foundation (Cliffe School Charity)	1	CC M Jordan
Middleton School Foundation	1	Mr N Elliott
Oglethorpe and Dawson Educational Foundation	3 (at least 1 women)	CC D Mackay Mrs J Marshall Bea Rowntree
Old Meeting House Trust, Helmsley	1	Cllr S Arnold
Oswaldkirk and Ampleforth Education Foundation	1	CC C Goodrick
Poad's Educational Foundation (Newton upon Rawcliffe)	1	Vacancy
Preston Education Foundation (Stokesley)	2	Mrs C Seymour Dr M Faulkner
Prowde's Educational Charity	1	The Lord Crathorne KCVO
Raikes Foundation (Pateley Bridge)	2	Hilary Jefferson Christine Skaife
Rev James Graves' Foundation at Thorpe Bassett	1	Mrs V Grice
Rev Michael Sydall Educational Foundation (Catterick)	1	CC C Les
Richard Taylor Educational Foundation (Bilton)	1	CC G Webber
Richmond School Trust	5	Mrs J Walker District Cllr Lorraine Hodgson CC S Parsons Mr Keith Hall Cllr C World
Ripon Grammar School Foundation Governors	4	CC M Chambers MBE CC S Martin MBE Mr B Bateman MBE City Cllr L Barnes OBE
Sir John Horsfall Exhibition Foundation (Glusburn and Sutton-in-Craven)	1	CC P Barrett
St John's Catholic School for the Deaf, Boston Spa	1	CC M Hobson
Staintondale Educational Trust	1	CC D Bastiman
Sylvester Petyt's Foundation (Skipton)	1	Roger Ingham
Thirsk and Sowerby Swimming Baths Charity Management Committee	1	Vacancy
William Cockin Educational Foundation (Melsonby)	1	Vacancy
William Hardcastle Charity	2	Mrs P Hutchinson Mrs Sally Harrison
Wistow Church of England School Charity	1	CC A Lee
Yorebridge Education Foundation	5	Dr P Annison Mr J Hodgson Mr M Fleming Mr R Tunstall VACANCY

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North Yorkshire County Council
Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee
10am on 27 May 2021
Committee work programme

1.0 Purpose of the Report

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| 1.1 | Members are asked to consider, amend and add to the Committee's draft work programme (see Appendix 1), as required. |
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2.0 Remit of the committee

2.1 The Area Constituency Committees:

- Act as a forum for Members to bring forward issues affecting their local Electoral Divisions
- Hear and respond to questions and statements from members of the public relating to anything affecting the community within the constituency area
- Agree a Work Programme which lists items of business which the Committee wishes to consider at future meetings
- Undertake meaningful scrutiny of local health issues within their constituency area, complementing the strategic work undertaken by the Scrutiny of Health Committee
- Undertake meaningful scrutiny of local transport issues within their constituency area, complementing the strategic work undertaken by Transport, Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Act as consultees in major decisions that affect their constituency area (including responding to consultations)
- Make recommendations on the application of Innovation funding (supported by the Stronger Communities Team)
- Develop a working relationship with the local MP, sharing updates and information on relevant local issues.

3.0 Scheduled committee dates

3.1 Forthcoming committee dates are:

- 10am on 2 September 2021
- 10am on 16 December 2021.

3.2 All meetings will be live broadcast to the Council YouTube pages using Microsoft Teams.

4.0 Recommendations

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| 4.1 | That Members consider, amend and add to the Committee's draft work programme (see Appendix 1), as required. |
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19 May 2021

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Background documents:

None.

**Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee
Work Programme 2020 – dated 17 May 2021**

Informal meetings of the committee held during the peak of the pandemic when formal meetings of the Council for most committees were postponed

2 April 2020, 23 April 2020, 14 May 2020, 4 June 2020, 16 July 2020, 3 September 2020

10am on 14 October 2020 – live broadcast remote meeting

Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency
Tourism and economic development	Tourism and the promotion of local heritage and natural environment - Business and Environment Services, NYCC

10am on 17 December 2020 – live broadcast remote meeting

Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency
Sustainable schools	Annual Education Report – Children and Young People Services, NYCC
Public Health	Public consultation on services changes proposed for the Healthy Child Programme – Health and Adult Services, NYCC
Community Safety	Fire and Rescue Service update on Integrated Risk Management Plan – deferred to a later date

10am on 7 January 2021 – live broadcast remote meeting

Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency
Annual Council Budget Review	Additional meeting to review the annual Council budget and make recommendations to Executive – Head of Finance, NYCC
Transport and access	Harrogate Transport Improvement Programme - Business and Environment Services, NYCC

10am on 11 March 2021 – live broadcast remote meeting	
Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency
Castleberg Community Hospital, Giggleswick	Final update from Airedale Wharfedale and Craven CCG, NHS Property Services and Airedale NHS Foundation Trust
Highways	Operation of the permit scheme for highways works and the quality of work undertaken by utilities companies - Business and Environment Services, NYCC
Stronger Communities	Stronger Communities update - Stronger Communities Programme, NYCC
10am on 27 May 2021 – live broadcast remote meeting	
Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency
Tourism and economic development	Tourism and the promotion of local heritage and natural environment (6 month update) - Business and Environment Services, NYCC
Schools	Regulation of and support for home schooling – Children and Young People Services, NYCC
Transport	Digital Demand Responsive Bus Service – Business and Environment Services, NYCC
Youth Council	Presentation on the work of the Youth Council and how it can engage with the ACCs – Children and Young People Services, NYCC
Governance	Appointments to committees and outside bodies – Legal and Democratic Services, NYCC
10am on 2 September 2021 – live broadcast remote meeting	
Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency
Highways	Operation of the permit scheme for highways works and the quality of work undertaken by utilities companies – six month update – Business and Environment Services, NYCC
10am on 16 December 2021 – live broadcast remote meeting	
Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency
Sustainable schools	Annual Education Report – Children and Young People Services, NYCC.

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