



Agenda

Meeting: Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee

To: Councillors Derek Bastiman, Eric Broadbent, David Chance, Liz Colling (Vice-Chair), David Jeffels, Janet Jefferson, Rich Maw, Clive Pearson (Chair), Heather Phillips, Tony Randerson, John Ritchie, Subash Sharma, Roberta Swiers, Phil Trumper and Neil Swannick.

Date: Friday, 25th November 2022

Time: 10.30 am

Venue: Scarborough Town Hall, St Nicholas Street, Scarborough, YO11 2HG

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Business

1. **Introductions & Apologies for Absence**

2. **Minutes of the meeting held on 23 September 2022** (Pages 3 - 8)

3. **Declarations of Interest**

4. **Public Questions & Statements**

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5. **Attendance of MP Robert Goodwill**
6. **Rural Policing Update** (Pages 9 - 12)
7. **Schools, Educational Achievement & Finance** (Pages 13 - 28)
Purpose: To provide an update on the local educational landscape, educational achievement and the financial challenges affecting schools in the Scarborough & Whitby constituency committee area.
8. **Stronger Communities and Community Response to Cost of Living Update** (Pages 29 - 34)
9. **Scarborough & Whitby Area Constituency Committee Work Programme 2022/23** (Pages 35 - 36)
10. **Other business which the Chairman agrees should be considered as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances.**

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17 November 2022

North Yorkshire County Council

Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee

Minutes of the remote meeting held on Friday, 23rd September 2022 commencing at 11.30 am.

County Councillor Clive Pearson in the Chair. plus County Councillors Eric Broadbent, David Chance, Liz Colling, David Jeffels, Janet Jefferson, Rich Maw, Heather Phillips, John Ritchie, Subash Sharma and Roberta Swiers.

Officers present: Louise Wallace, Natalie Smith, Dan Atkinson and Melanie Carr.

Other Attendees: Mr Adrian Perry and Mr Matthew Pells .

Apologies: County Councillors Derek Bastiman, Tony Randerson, Phil Trumper and Neil Swannick.

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

12 Introductions & Apologies for Absence

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Councillors Derek Bastiman, Tony Richardson, Phil Trumper and Neil Swannick

13 Minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2022

Resolved –

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2022, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record, subject to an amendment to the table in Minute No.9 - Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies.

County Councillor Liz Colling confirmed the 'TBC' for North Yorkshire and Cleveland Coastal Forum Executive Committee should instead have read 'Cllr Neil Swannick'.

In regard to matters arising from Minute No.10 - North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service - Risk and Resource Consultation document provided by the Office of the North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, the Committee agreed to write to The Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner to query the relationship with Cornwall Control Room and the impact of the changes to their Service Model.

14 Declarations of Interest

County Councillor Liz Colling declared an interest in Agenda item 5 – Verbal update on Performance at Scarborough Hospital, as a member of the Hospital Trust Council of Governors.

County Councillors Janet Jefferson and John Ritchie both declared an interest in Agenda item 4 – Public Questions & Statements, as members of Scarborough Civic Society.

There were no other declarations of interest.

15 Public Questions & Statements

Mr Adrian Perry attended the meeting to read out a statement on behalf of Scarborough Civic Society, as follows:

'We have great concerns about the future structure of local government in North Yorkshire especially in the unparished part of Scarborough. Some sources of information state that there will be a gradual change and officers are involved in work-streams to discuss how things might operate. However, residents are asking for answers and reassurances now. For example, will all current services be maintained at the same level? NYCC seem to have little experience of managing parks and gardens and may try to get a new Scarborough Council Town Council to maintain them. The recent document issued by NYC explains that a Scarborough Town Council may wish to undertake the maintenance of parks and open spaces which could be financed by a precept. This would result in the local tax payer suddenly having to pay a very high precept for a service which was included in their previous council tax bill which was without a precept.

Can we assume that we will continue to have a planning department based in Scarborough as well as locally based Ecology Officers and Conservation Officers. Planning, we understand, will be done on a constituency basis. For Scarborough and Whitby, it means that the planning committee will consist of members drawn from the 15 unitary councillors elected last May. This could create complications in its own right. For example some of the councillors might have executive roles and so could not serve on the regulatory committees.

Will officers be remaining in the St Nicholas Street offices? Or will they eventually move out to Pavilion House. Or will most officers be based in Northallerton?

What will happen to the Town Hall? Has any thought has been given to the creation of a town museum by obtaining grant-funding to expand Scarborough Museums and Galleries. For what seems like many years there has been talk of a Museum on the High Street, so it is dispiriting to see large sums of grant money directed towards new projects in the Town Bid, when we risk losing the Town Hall which is an important cultural asset packed with historical artefacts. Currently there is no capacity to display these works of art elsewhere. Is it planned to continue to allocate grants to support cultural enterprises such as SJT?

The reasons given for the changes are that this is central government driven, with the aim of reducing costs and enabling more direct funding to the area via a mayor. However, there is a fear that this will result in asset stripping by NYC with the sale of Scarborough SBC properties and the transfer of revenues such as parking charges from Scarborough to NYC.

We don't want to sleepwalk into this new council. These issues need to be clarified before April next year otherwise we will be confronted by a fait accompli which could be very damaging to our trust in local government.'

In response, the Democratic Services Officer read out a prepared NYCC Officer Response, which confirmed all the assets and services that were currently provided by Scarborough Borough Council and North Yorkshire County Council would become the responsibility of North Yorkshire Council on 1 April 202, and all staff would be transferred across with be no gap in service provision.

She also confirmed the Council was committed to retaining offices in all areas of the County in order to administer services locally, and it was absolutely not the case that all officers would be based in Northallerton. It would also be undertaking reviews of all office accommodation in Scarborough, including Scarborough Borough Council's existing proposals for the development of new offices at Pavilion House and the former Comet

building, to ensure that offices met the requirements of customer, provided efficient working environments for staff, and value for money.

Finally she noted that:

- At this stage, no decisions had been made, including in respect of Scarborough's Town Hall.
- A Community Governance Review, including a public consultation, was currently being undertaken to identify whether there was interest in and support for the establishment of parish councils for the unparished areas in Scarborough and Harrogate. The closing date for the responses is 30 September 2022 and full information is available at <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/community-governance-reviews>.
- The Civic Society and all interested individuals and organisations were being encouraged to participate in the public consultation.
- If a parish council were to be created for the currently unparished areas in Scarborough, it was likely that the first election would take place in May 2024. After the first election, the parish council would be able to call itself a town council if it so wished, and it would also be able to express an interest to North Yorkshire Council for taking responsibility for services or assets in the parish that were managed by North Yorkshire Council. This process was called double devolution. Proposals would have to have a solid business case and delivery plan. If a transfer were agreed, the budget incurred by North Yorkshire Council for the agreed level of service would be transferred to the parish council. The parish council could also choose to raise a precept to provide a higher level of service.
- The intention was there would be no change in the delivery method or standards of Street scene services on day one. The existing teams would continue to deliver the services as they do now. Post day one; there would inevitably be a review of the services, as teams were brought together under one structure.
- Discussions were ongoing with regard to the structure of the committee system, and a member working group was considering the matter, with the intention that the Executive would agree the new committee structure in November, in order to have it in place for day one and training and support provided for members and officers.
- In terms of the planning service, very little would change on day one, with teams still based locally dealing with the caseload of applications as they do now.

Members went on to discuss the issues raised in the public statement and expressed their own concerns and the need for keeping services in the borough.

County Councillor David Jeffels drew members' attention to the coming 'Lets Talk' events, recognising that good communications would be key to addressing residents' concerns.

County Councillor Janet Jefferson confirmed that Chartered Trustees were now in place in unparished area responsible for preserving the civic side of the Borough and could choose to appoint a Major and ask for a precept. She also suggested it might be worthwhile extending the consultation period to take account of the recent mourning period, and Mr Perry asked that more be done to advertise the consultation, as he was confident that some residents were unaware.

County Councillor David Chance confirmed the key intention was to be 'safe and legal' on vesting day.

16 Verbal Update on Performance at Scarborough Hospital

Simon Morritt attended the meeting to provide a verbal update on performance at Scarborough Hospital. He noted it was his first update since July 2021, and provided an

overview of the key issues, which included:

- The full business case for the redevelopment works had been approved to the value of £47m, and work had started and was ahead of schedule;
- The intention was that the work would be completed by early 2023, and would include a new trauma unit on the ground floor, with a critical care facility and Chiropody care on the first floor;
- The existing CT scanner was to be replaced by the beginning of 2024. A second CT scanner was to be introduced with funding for it to be available by the end of this financial year;
- The hospital had invested in additional nursing staff but it was still a struggle to attract staff to the east coast;
- The Coventry training course had delivered an additional 25 staff this year'
- The pressures and challenges remained the same, as with all other hospitals nationally e.g. the volume of demand at the front door, and back door discharges – there were currently 90 patients awaiting some form of package of care and ways to expedite discharges were being explored
- There was a report of additional funding to come from Government for Social Care;
- There had been an upturn in Covid-19 numbers, with a return to the use of masks in clinical areas;
- Agency staff were still being used together with an internal bank system – the hospital was desperate to recruit more substantive staff;
- Yearly staff turnover was currently around 12% - those who would have previously continued for a few more years are now making other life choices;
- Opportunities existed for promotion for nurses and health care assistants – career progression was not seen as a barrier to joining the NHS;
- In 10-20 years' time, it was expected the hospital would be thriving, with improvements in technology likely leading to other related improvements – the NHS was determined to sustain the hospital;

In regard to previous standards of care issues considered by the committee, Simon Morritt confirmed that in the main they had been addressed and that a paediatrically training doctor in emergency was expected to be in place within the next couple of months. He noted most recently, there had been some standards of care issues at York District Hospital. He also noted the CVC were expected to revisit before Christmas 2022.

In response to a request from Members, Simon Morritt agreed to provide data on:

- The number of consultations taking place online - he confirmed that face to face outpatients would not disappear;
- Response times for blood results from labs;

The Chairman thanked Simon Morritt for his attendance at the meeting and Committee member agreed to note the verbal update.

17 Progress Update on Chief Medical Officer's Report on Coastal Health

Louise Wallace, Director of Public Health presented a progress update on Coastal Health. She started by giving a brief overview of the key themes within last year's Chief Medical Officer (CMO) report which had provided a focus to work through.

Natalie Smith - Head of Service HAS Planning, noted that some of the findings within the previous year's CMO report had been well known and others unknown. She also drew attention to the nine themes arising from the report and the three recommendations.

Dan Atkinson – Health Improvement Officer provided a progress update on the ongoing work to address the nine themes, which included:

- The projects ongoing to improve health and wellbeing opportunities;
- The introduction of a physical activities hub;
- The plans to address alcohol and substance misuse and the high rates of smoking;
- A new housing solution for those with no fixed abode or those with high levels of need

County Councillor Heather Philips suggested the need for a Rough Sleepers review, recognising that too much was being spent on too few people – she asked whether REACH could actually reach enough people. In response, Dan Atkinson noted there was evidence of multi agency work, with pathways in place to support and help rough sleepers. He agreed to provide a summary of the numbers.

County Councillor Rich Maw suggested life expectancy in his division was 10years less than in neighbouring divisions.

In regard to the national pause in NHS health checks due to Covid, Members noted the Government's recent announcement that Doctors were now expected to return to providing them.

County Councillor Liz Colling drew attention to the many socio-economic factors affecting public health in the Scarborough area e.g. housing, fuel and food poverty etc. She also suggested the need for more meaningful employment prospects.

Louise Wallace provided an overview of the public health advice available to address the many challenges. She also noted the need for equity in access to care services and suggested there were multiple ways to address the wider determinants of health. Finally, she confirmed that the annual report priorities for the coming year or two was just about to be published.

County Councillor David Jeffels drew attention to the Borough Council's cost of living Working Party, which he noted was cross party and had a wide geographical membership.

Finally, County Councillor David Chance acknowledged the work of the HAS team who were assisting residents to access as many benefits as possible. He also noted that 80% of poverty in North Yorkshire was in the Scarborough borough area.

The Chairman thanked officers for their update and it was agreed that the report be noted.

18 Verbal Update on Ambulance Service Developments in the Scarborough Area

As there was no one available to attend the meeting from the Ambulance Service, Members agreed to defer the item to their next meeting in November 2022.

19 Scarborough & Whitby Area Constituency Committee Work Programme 2020/21

Considered - The report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) asking Members to review the Work Programme, taking into account the outcome of discussions on previous agenda items and any other developments taking place across the area.

Members expressed an interest in receiving information on the cost of living crisis i.e. fuel and food poverty affecting their area, at a future meeting.

Resolved - That the Democracy Officer update the work programme to reflect the decisions made during the meeting.

The meeting concluded at 1.20 pm.

Rural Crime Stats for August, September, October.

The following is a summary for North Yorkshire as opposed to Scarborough / Whitby in particular. However, there is nothing to indicate anything different at this time. Crime figures pertinent to Scarborough district itself have been added at the end.

What has been a difficult spring for our farming and rural communities has continued into the summer/autumn period with continued high fuel and energy prices, the price of Brent crude oil remained over \$100/barrel for large parts of the period fluctuating between \$110 in August to \$85/barrel as we approached October. Prices to agricultural businesses fluctuated between £1 and £1.20 per litre for red diesel resulting in fuel bills being many more thousands than they had been for the previous year. This was compounded by the continued high prices of fertiliser and other inputs such as feed and agro chemicals all because of high gas and oil prices. The market value for produce produced has been good this summer offsetting slightly the increased input costs but nevertheless these factors have placed extra strain on the farming families in the rural community.

We have not recently been targeted for theft of heating oil or agricultural oil/diesel. Several proactive operations over previous months, with increased media coverage, hopefully assisted in these results. However, we are fully aware this may change over the coming months as temperatures dip and demand increases

The farming sector this year has seen its rural subsidy payments split by the RPA with half being paid during late spring and the other half being paid in December as normal, this was aimed at assisting farmers with the additional costs due to fuel/energy rises but it may have a detrimental impact later in the year when they only receive half of what they would normally receive at the end of the year.

Rural communities have also faced the added cost in fuel and heating resulting in increased tension and despair in managing the cost of living and the ability to travel.

Avian bird flu has reared its head again this autumn with a new lockdown being put in place from Monday 10th November 2022, there have been several cases in North Yorkshire and the impact on the poultry sector is huge.

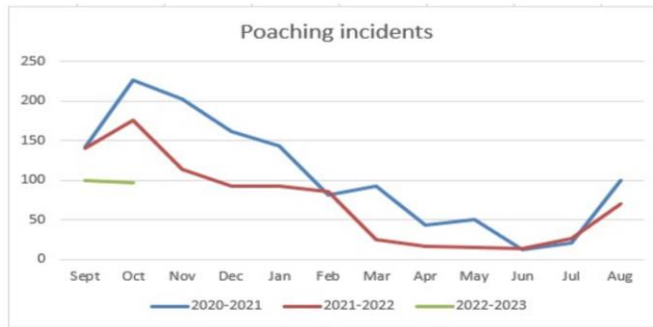
The shooting industry is struggling, through a multitude of factors including avian influenza, and the inability of accessing pheasant chicks to rear as they would normally for the lowland shoots. Upland shoots are still trying to recover from heather beetle and other environmental impacts over the previous two years which have reduced numbers.

Our rural watches are now becoming fully active in their own right following the slowing down of their workload from harvest and autumn drilling. This will hopefully have a twofold benefit of increased intelligence coming in but also act as a deterrent to travelling criminals. Our working model for using "Whatsapp" has been recognised and is being looked at nationally.

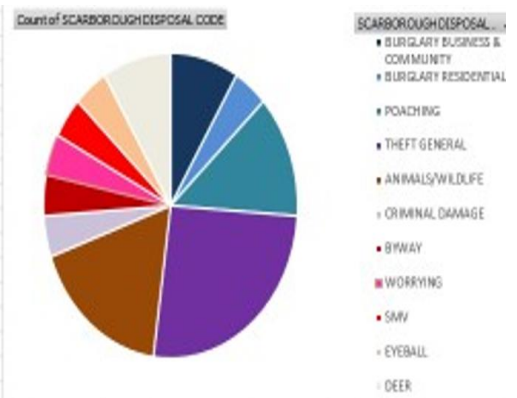
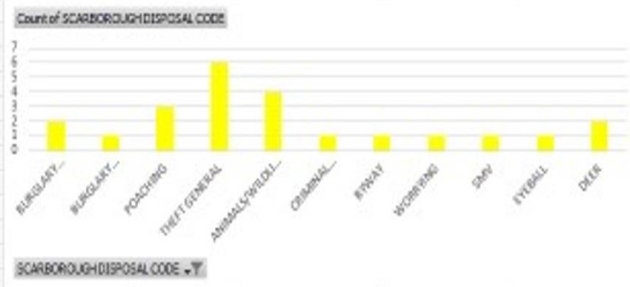
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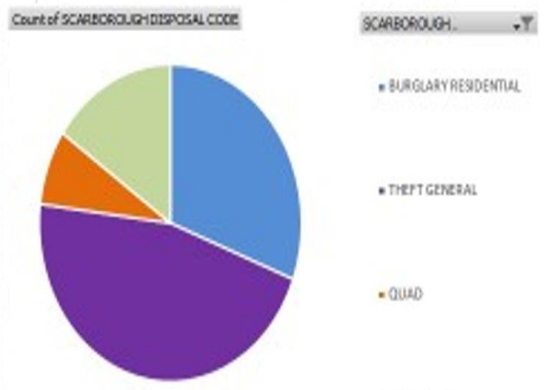
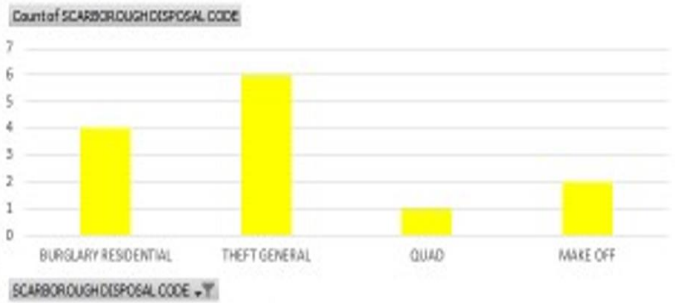
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2022-2023		100	97										



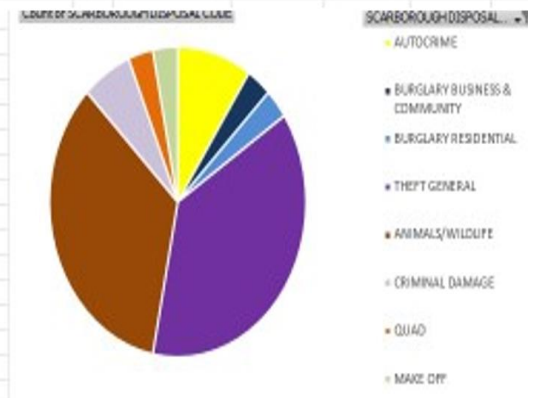
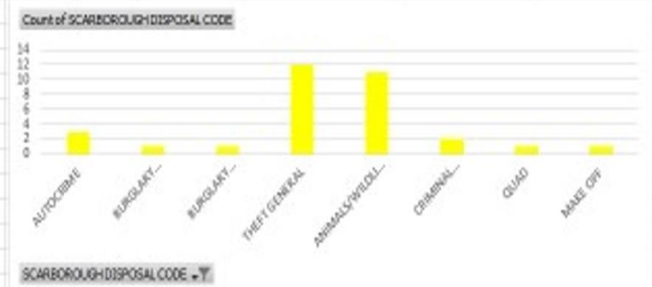
SCARBOROUGH	
Row Labels	Count of SCARBOROUGH DISPOSAL CODE
BURGLARY BUSINESS & COMMUNITY	2
BURGLARY RESIDENTIAL	1
POACHING	3
THEFT GENERAL	6
ANIMALS/WILDLIFE	4
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	1
BYWAY	1
WORRYING	1
SMV	1
EYEBALL	1
DEER	2
Grand Total	23



SCARBOROUGH	
Row Labels	Count of SCARBOROUGH DISPOSAL CODE
BURGLARY RESIDENTIAL	4
THEFT GENERAL	6
QUAD	1
MAKE OFF	2
Grand Total	13



SCARBOROUGH	
Row Labels	Count of SCARBOROUGH DISPOSAL CODE
AUTOCRIME	3
BURGLARY BUSINESS & COMMUNITY	1
BURGLARY RESIDENTIAL	1
THEFT GENERAL	12
ANIMALS/WILDLIFE	11
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	2
QUAD	1
MAKE OFF	1
Grand Total	32



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**North Yorkshire County Council
Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee
25 November 2022**

Schools, Educational Achievement and Finance

1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 To inform Members of the local educational landscape, educational achievement and the financial challenges which affect schools in the Scarborough and Whitby constituency committee area.

2.0 Local educational landscape

2.1 There are now 15 primary academies and 5 secondary academies within the Scarborough and Whitby constituency area. The academy conversion rate for primary schools is slightly higher within the constituency area when compared to the county as a whole (39.5% compared to 36.0% in North Yorkshire.) The academy conversion rate for local secondary schools is similar to the picture for the whole county (71.4% compared to 65.1% in North Yorkshire).

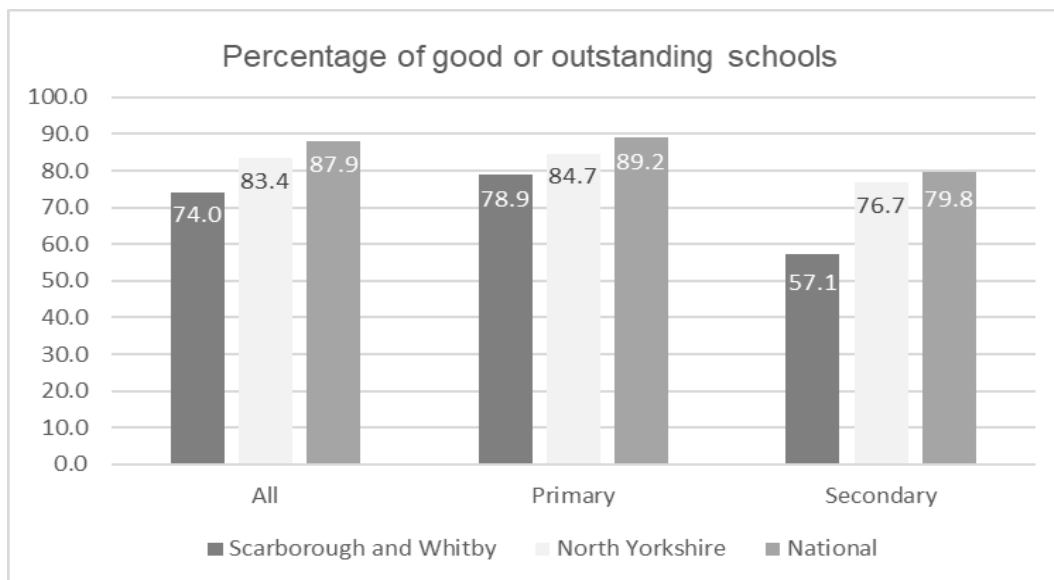
Summary of schools' status – 1 November 2022

	Schools in North Yorkshire		Schools in Scarborough and Whitby ACC	
Primary Maintained	192	64.0%	23	60.5%
Primary Academy & Free School	108	36.0%	15	39.5%
Total	300		38	
Secondary Maintained	15	34.9%	2	28.6%
Secondary Academy & UTC	28	65.1%	5	71.4%
Total	43		7	
Special Maintained	7	70%	2	66.66%
Special Academy	3	30%	1	33.33%
Total	10		3	
PRU Maintained	4	80%	1	100%
PRU Academy	1	20%	0	
Total	5		1	
Total maintained	218	60.9%	28	57.1%
Total Academy	140	39.1%	21	42.9%
Overall Total	358		49	

3.0 School standards

3.1 School Ofsted judgements

In the constituency area, as of 31 August 2022, 78.9 per cent of primary schools were judged good or outstanding by Ofsted, which is below the North Yorkshire and national averages. In terms of secondary schools, 57.1 per cent were judged good or outstanding, which is also lower than the North Yorkshire and national averages. There are 13 schools judged requires improvement (RI) or inadequate in the constituency area. Of the schools judged RI, two have received successive RI judgements in their two most recent Ofsted inspections and have therefore, met the coasting school definition.



3.2 Uneven impact of the pandemic on 2021/22 performance data

Schools and pupils included in the 2021/22 school and college performance measures will have had an uneven disruption to their learning.

3.3 We, therefore, recommend not making direct comparisons with data from previous years. Comparisons with local and national averages can be made cautiously to put results in to context.

3.4 There are other factors that will also make direct comparisons difficult:

- Several changes were made to exams and grading. These include advanced notice of exam topics and GCSE, AS and A level grading being based around a midpoint between 2021 and pre-pandemic outcomes.
- Changes were also made to the way school and college performance measures were calculated.

3.5 The following data should be used with caution. It reflects results in 2021/22 but cannot provide information about the factors which may have influenced these results.

3.6 When forming a view of how well schools are doing it is important to consider a range of different information sources.

3.7 Attainment overall

The Committee has previously (3 December 2021) considered a report which contained all of the key attainment data for 2017, 2018, and 2019.

3.8 For two years, exams and assessments in schools did not take place because of the disruption to students' education caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. In 2020 GCSEs, AS and A level exams faced widespread cancellation and were replaced with a

grading process involving teacher/ centre assessment. Similarly, summer 2021 assessments were awarded based on teacher or centre assessment and no statistical adjustment processes were used. Overall, final grades were significantly higher in both 2020 and 2021 than in 2019.

- 3.9 The Government allowed GCSEs, AS and A Level and equivalent assessments and exams to go ahead in England in summer 2022, and has made some changes to general, vocational and technical qualifications (VTQs). Additionally, school-level performance (league) tables were re-introduced for the end of the GCSE phase (key stage 4) in 2022; school-level information for Secondary phase was not published during either 2020 or 2021.
- 3.10 In primary schools, national curriculum assessments due to be held in summer 2020 and summer 2021, including tests, teacher assessments and the phonics screening check, were also cancelled. These statutory assessments resumed in 2022 with the wider introduction of the Reception Baseline Assessment.
- 3.11 Early Years Foundation Stage Profile
65.7% of children in the constituency area achieved a Good Level of Development in 2022. An in-year comparison of EYFSP outcomes (see table below) shows that a lower proportion of pupils within the Scarborough & Whitby constituency area achieve a good level of development compared with all NYCC pupils, but slightly higher than those nationally.

Early Years Foundation Stage Profile – percentage achieving a good level of development			
	Scarborough & Whitby	North Yorkshire	National
2017	67.1%	71.6%	70.7%
2018	67.5%	72.5%	71.6%
2019	70.0%	72.8%	71.8%
2022	65.7%	68.3%	65.2%

- 3.12 Key Stage 2
In 2022, 43.0% of children in the constituency area achieved the expected level or above in reading, writing and maths combined, which is lower than the North Yorkshire and national average. An in-year comparison of KS2 attainment with LA and national figures (see table below) shows that gaps have widened. An analysis of attainment data for the academic year 2021/22 identifies a gap with national of 15.7 percentage points. This attainment gap can be attributed to a decline in standards for some schools in writing and/or maths.

Key Stage 2 - percentage achieving the expected standard or above in reading, writing and maths combined.			
	Scarborough & Whitby	North Yorkshire	National
2017	49.7%	58.7%	61.1%
2018	57.6%	62.2%	64.4%
2019	56.1%	63.4%	65.0%
2022	43.0%	55.3%	58.7%

3.13 Key Stage 4

Although Key Stage 4 data has been published by the DfE it has not yet been validated at individual school level. Therefore, all data in this section of the report should be considered provisional.

- 3.14 The average Attainment 8 score, which measures the achievement of a pupil across eight qualifications, was 42.3 for 2022. This is below the North Yorkshire average and below the national average, reflecting the pattern of previous years.

KS4 – Average Attainment 8 Score			
	Scarborough & Whitby	North Yorkshire	National
2017	41.9	49.6	46.3
2018	42.3	48.3	46.4
2019	40.8	48.7	46.7
2022	42.3	50.2	48.9

- 3.15 The Progress 8 score, which measures pupil progress from the end of primary school to the end of secondary school, was below the national average, and below the North Yorkshire average in 2022. A comparison of the Progress 8 scores for schools within the Scarborough & Whitby constituency area with the LA figure, identifies a performance trend consistently below the county average.

KS4 – Average Progress 8 Score			
	Scarborough & Whitby	North Yorkshire	National
2017	-0.13	0.17	0.00
2018	-0.06	0.13	-0.03
2019	-0.31	0.09	-0.03
2022	-0.27	0.04	-0.03

- 3.16 The percentage achieving a grade 5 or above (grading is 9-1) in English and Maths (Basics measure) was 39.6% for 2022. This is below both the national and North Yorkshire average in 2022, and presents a similar pattern to the two previous years of published data.

KS4 – Percentage achieving a grade 5 or above in English and Maths			
	Scarborough & Whitby	North Yorkshire	National
2017	35.8%	50.4%	42.6%
2018	38.7%	47.7%	43%
2019	34.3%	47.4%	43.2%
2022	39.6%	53.6%	49.4%

3.17 Not in education, employment or training

There were 917 young people recorded in Year 11 in this constituency in May 2021 and, as of August 2022, 35 (3.8%) of this cohort were not in education, employment or training after leaving school.

4.0 Suspension Incidents and Permanent Exclusions

4.1 Suspension Incidents

In the 2021/22 academic year, there have been a total of 5010 suspensions for a total of 1958 individual children in North Yorkshire. 410 of these children were on roll of mainstream schools in Scarborough and Whitby constituency.

4.2 In 2021/22, there were 3553 suspensions for a total of 1578 individual children, 3478 of these children were on roll of mainstream schools in Scarborough and Whitby constituency.

Suspension Incidents				
Suspensions	Incidents Scarborough & Whitby	Incidents North Yorkshire	Percentage of North Yorkshire total	Most common reason (Scarborough & Whitby)
2021/22	946	5010	18.9%	Persistent or general disruptive behaviour (42%)
2020/21	710	3257	21.80%	Persistent or general disruptive behaviour (36.3%)
2019/20	1059	4366	24.30%	Persistent or general disruptive behaviour (48.1%)
2018/19	2001	5962	33.60%	Persistent disruptive behaviour (52.1%)

4.3 In 2021/22 schools in the constituency area had a 14.1% share of the schools population in North Yorkshire and 18.9% of suspensions for the county, although this dropped from 21.8% in 2020/21.

4.4 Permanent exclusions

In 2021/22, there were 54 permanent exclusions from schools in the county, 5 of which were for children in Scarborough & Whitby area schools. In the same period of 2020/21, there were 26 permanent exclusions, 7 of which were from Scarborough & Whitby.

Permanent exclusions			
Academic year	Scarborough & Whitby	North Yorkshire	Percentage of North Yorkshire total

2021/22	5	54	9.30%
2020/21	7	26	26.9%
2019/20	5	52	9.6%
2018/19	20	87	23.00%

4.5 From September 2020 a preventative model of alternative provision has been commissioned through the Scarborough Pupil Referral Service and Whitby Outreach to enhance support for schools in an attempt to avoid a permanent exclusion. The model was subject to a post implementation review before the summer and the local authority has now started a programme of further discussions with secondary leaders in localities to refine the model further from September 2023. It is important to note that the SEN Green Paper published in March 22 recommends the preventative model as a national approach into the future.

5.0 Special Education Needs and Disabilities

5.1 Reshaping of SEN Provision over the 2020/21 Academic Year

The development of the new model of provision, Targeted Mainstream Provision (TMP) is intended to help the LA meet demand for full time education provision for children with SEND and who have an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan. This model delivers provision for children and young people who are able to access mainstream education but with additional support for their special educational needs.

5.2 Over the 2020/21 academic year the first provisions were successfully opened and a number of schools were approved to operate TMPs. Westcliff Primary Academy and East Whitby Academy are the provisions operational which are within reasonable travel distance to serve the area. As of January 2023 Caedmon College, subject to Executive approval, will add further TMP provision for Secondary age pupils.

5.3 Work is continuing through 2022/23 to increase the amount of TMPs in areas which do not yet have host schools identified, to ensure that the LA has capacity to meet demand for this provision. The LA are currently engaged in constructive dialogue with local schools to move towards establishing more TMPs in the Scarborough area and have recently received an application to establish a Social Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) TMP for primary aged pupils.

5.4 In regards to special school provision it was recently announced that Woodlands Academy have been selected through the DfE rebuilding schools programme. The Academy will be rebuilt to provide a brand new facility for the area, upgrading it to the most recent sustainability standards. To further increase the number of special school places available in the east of the county the council's Executive agreed, on 8 Nov 2022, to proposals to increase the number of day places at Brompton Hall school and establish SEMH provision for girls at the school. It was also agreed to wind down under-used residential provision at the school to allow the increase in places to happen.

5.5 SEN Statistics for Constituency Area

As of January 2022 there were 667 children living in the constituency with a North Yorkshire funded EHC plan, 17% of the North Yorkshire total. The most common needs for children with a North Yorkshire funded EHC plan living in the area are Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) at 28% and Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) at 25.3% and Moderate Learning Disabilities (MLD) at 18.7%.

5.6 As of January 2022 school census there were 1536 children recorded as SEN Support from schools in this constituency, 15.6% of the North Yorkshire total. The most common needs for children receiving SEN support in the area are Speech, Language and Communication at 24.3% Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) at 20.8% and Specific Learning Difficulties (e.g. Dyslexia) at 17.3%.

6.0 Elective Home Education

6.1 As of the beginning of the 2022/23 academic year there were 816 children recorded as Electively Home Educated (EHE) in North Yorkshire, 144 of which were formerly from a mainstream school in the Scarborough and Whitby area. At the same point last year, there were 778 children EHE in North Yorkshire, 133 formerly from a mainstream school in the Scarborough and Whitby constituency area. This represents a 5% increase in North Yorkshire and an 8% increase in the Scarborough and Whitby constituency area.

6.2 In the 2021/22 academic year, 418 children became EHE in North Yorkshire, 81 of which were formerly educated in a mainstream school in the Scarborough and Whitby area. This figure was 102 from Scarborough and Whitby of 503 becoming EHE in North Yorkshire, in the previous academic year (2020/21).

7.0 School Finance

7.1 2021/2022 School Revenue Balances

Local Authority maintained school revenue balances as at 31 March 2022 are summarised below, together with a comparison with 2021. The balances are also expressed as a percentage of school delegated budgets.

	Primary & Nursery 183 schools	Secondary 15 schools	Special 7 schools	Pupil Referral Unit 4 schools	Total 209 schools
Total School Revenue Balances (Net) as at 31 March 2022	£17,600k	-£203k	-£462k	£821k	£17,756k
% of Revenue Budget	14%	-0.4%	-2.9%	34.5%	9.0%
No. Schools with an Accumulated Revenue Budget Surplus as at 31 March 2022	168	10	4	3	185
No. Schools with an Accumulated Revenue Budget Deficit as at 31 March 2022	15	5	3	1	24
<i>Comparison to total school revenue balance (net) as at 31 March 2021</i>	+£24k	+£715k	-£421k	+£7k	+£325k

(The number of school budgets submitted to the local authority for 2021/22 is lower than the total number of local authority maintained schools operating within North Yorkshire due to a number of school federations operating a single, amalgamated budget covering all of the schools within the federation)

7.2 24 schools (11% of LA Maintained schools) had an accumulated revenue budget deficit totalling £6.2M as at 31 March 2022. An analysis of the budget deficits by school phase is detailed in the table below:

	Primary & Nursery	Secondary	Special	Pupil Referral Unit	Total
No. Schools with an Accumulated Revenue Budget Deficit as at 31 March 2022	15	5	3	1	24
Total School Revenue Deficit Balances as at 31 March 2022	-£809k	-£3,454k	-£1,834k	-£60k	-£6,157k
Average Value of Accumulated Revenue Budget Deficit as at 31 March 2022	-£54k	-£691k	-£611k	-£60k	-£257k
Highest Accumulated Revenue Budget Deficit as at 31 March 2022	-£219k	-£956k	-£1,140k	-£60k	-£1,140k
Lowest Accumulated Revenue Budget Deficit as at 31 March 2022	-£0.9k	-£394k	-£45k	-£60k	-£0.9k

7.3 School Budget Projections - Based on 2022/23 Start budgets

The 2022/23 Start Budgets submitted to the local authority by schools in May 2022 are summarised below:

	Primary & Nursery	Secondary	Special	Pupil Referral Unit	Total
	180 schools	15 schools	7 schools	4 schools	206 schools
Total Forecast School Revenue Balances (Net) as at 31 March 2023	£14,531k	-£998k	-£1,675k	£599k	£12,457k
No. Schools with an Accumulated Forecast Revenue Budget Surplus as at 31 March 2023	170	9	2	3	184
Average Value of Accumulated Forecast Revenue Budget Surplus as at 31 March 2023	£89.5k	£299k	£234k	£222k	£103.5k
No. Schools with an Accumulated Forecast Budget Deficit as 31 March 2023	10	6	5	1	22

Average Value of Accumulated Forecast Revenue Budget Deficit as at 31 March 2023	-£68k	-£615k	-£429k	-£66k	-£299k
<i>Comparison to total school revenue balance as at 31st March 2022</i>	<i>-£3,069k</i>	<i>-£795k</i>	<i>-£1,213k</i>	<i>-£222k</i>	<i>-£5,299k</i>

(The overall number of individual school budgets have reduced from 209 to 206 between the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years due to 2 schools moving to operate within a joint budget Federation budget and 1 school converting to academy status from 1st April 2022)

7.4 School Finance and Funding Issues

- The Department for Education (DfE) announced in July 2022 that overall school funding will increase by 1.9% for the 2023/24 financial year.
- School budgets have experienced significant cost pressures in the 2022/23 financial year and this is likely to continue through to 2023/24. Cost pressures include:
 - Pay award cost pressures with the September 2022 teachers pay award of 5% with an increase of 8.9% in starting salaries. A National Employers offer of £1,925 on non-teaching (NJC) salary points from 1st April 2022 plus a 4.04% increase on allowances; this equates to a 10% increase for staff on lower salary bands.
 - Energy inflation cost pressures of in excess of 200% and uncertainty as to the impact of the Government Energy Bill Relief Scheme
 - Overall inflationary pressures of in excess of 10%
 - Cost pressures associated with Covid recovery additional support and catch up
 - Cost pressures associated with supporting an increasing number of pupils with SEND
 - Below forecast inflation increases in school funding provided by Government for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years.

7.5 Schools produced 2022/23 Start Budgets prior to a number of the cost pressures, highlighted above, being fully known; it is anticipated that the majority of schools will see a deterioration in their budget position for the 2022/23 financial year compared to their original forecast.

- North Yorkshire secondary schools are placed 140 out of 150 local authorities in terms of funding level per pupil. On average, a school in North Yorkshire will receive £5,713 per pupil in 2022-23 compared to a national average of £6,213. Comparing the funding for a 1,500 pupil secondary school this equates to a difference in funding of £0.75m. The funding for North Yorkshire primary schools is more favourable with a position 31 out of 150 local authorities in terms of funding per pupil. For primary schools, a North Yorkshire school will receive on average £4,899 per pupil compared to a national average of £4,786.
- North Yorkshire has a number of schools that, geographically, are vital in serving their local communities. Inadequate sparsity funding and general financial pressures for smaller, rural secondary schools, continues to be a significant concern. NYCC utilises the provision in the DfE National Funding Formula (NFF) to locally provide additional lump sum funding of £50k for the smallest (less than 350 pupils), most rural secondary schools. NYCC continues to lobby the DfE and local MPs for higher levels of funding for the small, rural secondary schools within the LA.

7.6 Local Authority Support for Schools in Financial Difficulty

The Local Authority adopts a number of measures to support schools facing financial difficulty:

- the use of a financial risk rating framework to determine the level of support, challenge and intervention undertaken at individual school level, including the use of Notices of Financial Concern where deemed appropriate. Currently, six schools are subject to a Notice of Financial Concern.
- the undertaking of School Resource Management reviews in individual schools where this has been identified as an appropriate intervention through the risk rating process. The reviews are based on the DfE School Resource Management Adviser (SRMA) model and are undertaken by LA staff, many of whom have the SRMA accreditation;
- review of the Schools Financial Value Standard (SFVS) and Resource Management dashboard in financially challenged schools;
- continuing the promotion of school collaboration and the sharing of best practice in terms of effective resource management between schools;
- the provision of Headteacher and Governor finance briefings and training;
- continuing to lobby DfE for fairer funding for North Yorkshire schools, especially in relation to small, rural secondary schools.

7.7 Schools Financial Position – Scarborough & Whitby

2021/22	2022/23
23 schools projecting to be in budget surplus as at 31 March 2022 5 schools projecting to be in deficit by March 2022; 18% of schools in Scarborough & Whitby. (3 primary & nursery, 1 secondary, 1 special)	23 schools projecting to be in budget surplus as at 31 March 2023 5 schools projecting to be in deficit by March 2023; 18% of schools in Scarborough & Whitby. (1 primary & nursery, 2 secondary, 2 special)
Projected average primary & nursery surplus = £123k Projected average secondary surplus = £44k Projected average special surplus = £350k Projected average PRU surplus = £455k	Projected average primary & nursery surplus = £103k Projected average secondary surplus = N/A Projected average special surplus = N/A Projected average PRU surplus = £375k
Projected average primary & nursery deficit = -£26k Projected average secondary deficit = -£394k Projected average special deficit = -£41k Projected average PRU deficit = N/A	Projected average primary & nursery deficit = -£19k Projected average secondary deficit = -£172.15k Projected average special deficit = -£92k Projected average PRU deficit = N/A
(Data Source – 2022/23 Start Budgets)	(Data Source – 2022/23 Start Budgets)

8.0 **Planning school places**

8.1 School sustainability

The sustainability of schools is largely influenced by three key factors which are usually related to each other:

- Falling pupil rolls
- School standards
- Financial difficulty

- 8.2 Where school closures have regrettably occurred in North Yorkshire these factors have been relevant. There have been seven closures in the county over the last three years with one of these occurring in the constituency area.
- 8.3 Collaborative working
Collaborative working is two or more schools working together to the mutual benefit of their pupils with the overall aim of improving outcomes for all. This has the potential to broaden opportunities and contribute to efficiencies. There are now four federations in the Scarborough and Whitby area. In each of these federations there are two maintained schools with a single governing body and headteacher. In three cases the pairs of schools are small, rural schools with the same religious character where LA Officers worked with the Diocese of York to support the Governing Bodies to come to the federation decision. The other federation is made up of Caedmon College and Eskdale School, the secondary schools which serve Whitby Town and its rural area. This federation is the result of closer working relationships towards the shared goal of continuing to increase the quality of provision for pupils in the Whitby area.
There are also a number of other arrangements operating across the constituency area. Typically, these arrangements feature the shared headship but without the shared governance which would characterise federation. LA officers regularly support discussions between school leaders and governors to consider where collaborative working opportunities are available.
- 8.4 Pupil rolls – current and future
The County Council has a statutory duty to ensure sufficient school places are available for every child under the Education Act 1996. For this purpose, it groups schools together into planning areas in accordance with the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency. Appendix 1 shows the planning areas together with:
- Capacity in the planning area
 - Current numbers on roll
 - Projected future numbers
 - Projected impact of approved housing developments
- 8.5 The County Council is carefully monitoring pupil numbers across the constituency area. A large proportion of the constituency is rural and served by small schools located within villages. A falling birth-rate combined with changing demographics means that a number of small schools are facing financial challenges associated with low numbers on roll. In some areas larger schools also face financial difficulty as they experience lower numbers than they are historically structured to accommodate. This is particularly the case where numbers on roll are above a round form of entry e.g. 1 or 2 forms of entry (30 or 60 pupils), but are not high enough to easily afford the structure for the next form of entry.
- 8.6 Larger Villages with proposed or committed housing developments – There a number of villages where housing allocations have been made within the Scarborough Local Plan including East and West Ayton, Seamer and Burniston. The schools that serve these areas, East Ayton Community Primary School, Seamer & Irton Community Primary School and Lindhead School respectively, are operating near to capacity. Where possible within planning regulations, developer contributions have been sought to provide additional school places should the need arise.
- 8.7 Scarborough North and Central Primary areas - The North and Central areas cover all of the schools located within the urban area of Scarborough Town. Each area presents a different picture in terms of school capacity etc.
- 8.8 The schools in the North area are seeing high numbers on roll at present and significant housing developments with planning permission, plus others allocated in the Local Plan

going forward. The strategy to provide these places within the North has been to seek a site as part of the largest housing allocation and to provide a new school, should it be required, through developer contributions.

- 8.9 However, in the Central Area the falling birth rate in the district has caused a reduction in pupil numbers, which is a source of financial pressure in some of the schools that have previously operated at higher numbers on roll. This issue has been being monitored by the Local Authority for some years.
- 8.10 LA officers held a meeting with local primary Headteachers last year and discussed the issues arising from this dichotomy. One of the key concerns is that providing additional places too early to meet new demand for places in the North of Scarborough could further destabilise schools in central Scarborough. As present no site has been secured to deliver a further school in the North of Scarborough, should it be required, however the Local Authority has secured S106 contributions towards this provision and will continue to do so where possible.
- 8.11 Although there continues to be a surplus of primary places across Scarborough Town in terms of physical capacity there have been some challenges over the last year in terms of being able to utilise that capacity. Lower numbers at some schools over a number of years have resulted in reduced class structures to match demand for places. In the last year there have been significant numbers of children move into the area as part of initiatives to support families arriving from outside the UK, and finding places in the required year groups has proved a challenge in some cases.
- 8.7 Scarborough South Area (Eastfield and Cayton) – The Scarborough South Area is the main area of proposed housing growth for Scarborough Borough Council (SBC). Significant housing developments are underway at Middle Deepdale (Eastfield) and sites are allocated in the Local Plan for North of Middle Deepdale and also in the ‘South Cayton Strategic Area’. The latter two developments are not included in the figures appended as they do not yet have planning permission but are projected to require significant educational provision. Some of this need could be met at local schools but there is likely to be a need for additional schools within the area. The LA is working with SBC to ensure that, where appropriate, developer contributions are secured. The schools in the Scarborough South area have also, like those in Scarborough Town, helped to provide capacity for pupils moving into the area as part of national initiatives to help families arriving from outside the UK.
- 8.8 Overdale C.P. School - This newly expanded school, which moved onto its new site in 2021, will accommodate the emerging demand from the housing developments within the school’s catchment area. The Local Authority is in discussion with both SBC and developers about any provision required to meet additional demand in the longer term.
- 8.9 Scarborough Secondary Area – The appended figures illustrate that across the Scarborough Secondary Planning Area there is forecast to be a relatively significant surplus of places by 2026/27. However, beyond this time the surplus will be reduced if the allocated housing sites in the Local Plan achieve planning permission and are built out. Further projections of this scenario indicate that additional secondary accommodation may need to be provided at George Pindar School to meet the developments within their catchment area. However, it should be noted that there is a current surplus at the school and this is projected to continue unless a large proportion of the proposed housing comes forward. During the 2019/2020 academic year the Hope Sentamu Learning Trust, who are the Multi Academy Trust which operate Graham and George Pindar schools, consulted upon a reduction of their Published Admission Number which would have the effect of reducing the Net Capacity of both schools from September 2021. The proposed level of reduction was lowered following concerns raised by LA Officers around ensuring that sufficient capacity was retained across the system, and agreement was also reached to hold annual reviews

of sufficiency of places across the area. During the 2022 admissions round for Year 7 places at Scarborough Secondary Schools a combination of this PAN reduction, a peak of pupils on roll and a number of parents not applying for places created some challenges for the Admissions Team and initially led to some pupils being allocated places outside of Scarborough/Eastfield. The trend of need for secondary places across the area is declining and this is not projected to occur again. If there were to be pressure on secondary places in future years Graham and Pindar would be asked to admit above their admission number in line with their physical capacity.

- 8.10 Over the last year there have been significant numbers of secondary age children move into the area as part of initiatives to support families arriving from outside the UK. Finding places in the required year groups has proved a challenge in some cases where existing resourcing cannot easily cope with significant number of in-year entries.
- 8.11 Whitby Town Area – As demonstrated in the appended figures, there is significant surplus capacity within both the Primary and Secondary sector. The reorganisation of the secondary schools into a federation has been implemented. The schools now share an Executive Headteacher, with two 11-16 institutions located on separate sites and a shared Sixth Form Unit located on a third site.
- 8.12 Rural Primary Schools- The rural areas of the constituency are characterised by small primary schools serving villages as well as, in some cases, very extensive sparsely populated catchment areas. The geography combined with low pupil numbers lead to financial and organisational challenges for some schools. Across the constituency area the schools have worked innovatively to mitigate these challenges including forming local federations. The fluctuation of pupil numbers exacerbates the already challenging nature of school funding for smaller schools.

9.0 Recommendation

- 9.1 That Members note the report on educational factors in the Scarborough and Whitby constituency area.

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Appendix 1 - School Place Planning data

APPENDIX 1

Planning Areas and forecast surplus/shortfall school places

PRIMARY							
School planning area	Places available as at 2021/2022	Number on Roll 2017/2018	Number on roll 2021/2022	Surplus Capacity 2021/2022	Forecast pupils as at 2026/2027	Pupils from current housing permissions until 2026/2027	Surplus capacity 2026/27
Scarborough Central Primary Area Barrowcliff Primary Gladstone Road Primary Friarage CP St Martin's CE CA Primary Thomas Hinderwell Academy Primary Wheatcroft CP	2371	2196	1996	375	1728	105	538
Scarborough Primary North Newby & Scalby Primary Northstead CP St Peter's RC Primary	1257	1249	1251	6	1185	95	-23
Scarborough Primary Outer Area Brompton & Sawdon CP East Ayton CP Hackness CE VC Primary Lindhead School Seamer & Irton CP Snainton CE Primary Wykeham CE Primary	1106	1061	1084	22	943	63	100
Scarborough Primary South Cayton CP Braeburn Primary & Nursery Overdale CP St George's RC Primary	1275	855	909	205	834	166	115
	6009	5361	5240	769	4690	429	890

School planning area	Places available as at 2021/2022	Number on Roll 2017/2018	Number on roll 2021/2022	Surplus Capacity 2021/2022	Forecast pupils as at 2026/2027	Pupils from current housing permissions until 2026/2027	Surplus capacity 2026/27
Whitby Primary Outer Area Castleton CP Danby CE Egton CE VA Fylingdales CE Glaisdale Primary Goathland Primary Hawsker cum Stainsacre CE VC Lealholm Primary Lythe CE VC Primary Oakridge CP Sleights CE St Hedda's RC Primary Staithe, Seton CP	948	659	621	327	563	17	368
Whitby Primary Area Ruswarp CE Primary West Cliff Primary Whitby, Airy Hill Primary Whitby, East Whitby Primary Stakesby CP	1050	850	804	246	700	175	175
	1998	1509	1425	573	1263	192	543

SECONDARY

Scarborough Secondary George Pindar School Graham School Scalby School St Augustine's RC School Scarborough UTC	4549	3439	3391	1158	3478	145	926
Whitby Secondary Caedmon College Whitby Eskdale School	2019	1262	1245	774	1215	53	751

Note

- Figures above take into account outstanding housing permissions, but not undetermined planning applications or draft Local Plan proposals.

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**North Yorkshire County Council
Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee
25 November 2022**

Stronger Communities and Community Response to Cost of Living

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To provide Members with an overview of the support provided to and by local communities in response to the Cost of Living crisis, and an update of the Stronger Communities Programme in the Scarborough and Whitby Constituency area.

2.0 Overview

2.1 [NYCC Website – Cost of Living Support](#)

[Cost of living support | North Yorkshire County Council](#)

2.2 [North Yorkshire Local Assistance Fund \(NYLAF\)](#)

[Local assistance fund | North Yorkshire County Council](#)

- The fund provides practical support for vulnerable people who are moving into or seeking to remain within the community including help with food and fuel costs or other essential household items.
- The scheme has been enhanced in 2022/23 using additional funding from the national Household Support Fund to enable applicants to apply for up to four awards of food and/or utility/utility top-up in a rolling 12 month period.
- For other items provided under the fund, a maximum entitlement of two items may also be awarded within the same 12 month period, only one of which may be a white good item.
- There will be no minimum period that eligible applicants will have to wait before making another application during this time. An applicant may apply again in the same period where entitlement has run out only where it can be evidenced that circumstances have changed however.
- Eligibility for support – groups of people:
 - carers
 - families who are under exceptional pressure
 - individuals recently released from prison
 - people with learning or physical disabilities
 - people with mental health problems
 - people who have a drug or alcohol dependency
 - those who are homeless
 - those who have experienced domestic abuse
- To be eligible for Local Assistance Fund support in North Yorkshire you must also be able to demonstrate that you:
 - are 16 years old or over

- live in, or are moving into North Yorkshire
- receive a means-tested benefit or have a household income below the low income threshold (currently £16,105) and less than £1,000 in capital
- have exhausted all other forms of support
- are receiving support from an Authorised Agent
- Applications are made through authorised agencies that will provide support to those who are eligible and are identified as vulnerable.

2.3 Household Support Fund (National DWP Funded support)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/household-support-fund-guidance-for-local-councils/household-support-fund-final-guidance-for-county-councils-and-unitary-authorities-in-england>

- Round three of HSF has been announced covering Oct 2022 to March 2023
- Grant determination is different from Phase 2 – although the ring-fences in the funding have been removed for this round, DWP have outlined that there should be a particular focus on those most in need including:
 - Those who have missed out on Cost of Living payments and Energy Support;
 - Those who are vulnerable to rising costs, including families, pensioners, unpaid carers and those with a disability.
 - Particular focus on energy and offsetting rising bill costs.
- Support will include direct awards in the form of a shopping voucher to households identified through our eligibility framework.
- NYLAF: maintaining the uplift to the maximum number of applications (4 emergency awards for food and / or utilities) in a 12 month rolling period.
- Warm and Well: maintaining support for those in need of support with their energy bills, including access to energy vouchers and / or direct supplier payments.
- Food Banks: grants scheme launched last week for the winter period in order to maintain capacity in the free food infrastructure across the County.
- Eligibility criteria needs Executive sign off
- Round two – support given to 38,692 households across county

2.4 Food Banks and other Food Support

- Grants for foodbanks – funded through HSF budget
- 4th round of grants launched 26 October 22

2.5 Warm and Well

<https://www.warmandwell.org.uk/>

- Public health commissioned service
- Contract held by CAB
- Advice, information and direct grants for help with fuel costs

2.6 Free School Meals for eligible families

- Children and Young People's Services - [Free school meals | North Yorkshire County Council](#)
- All reception, year 1 and 2 children

- Other ages subject to being in receipt of any of the following:
 - Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods (£616.67 per month)
 - Income Support
 - Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
 - Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
 - support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
 - the guarantee element of Pension Credit
 - Child Tax Credit, provided you are also not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual household gross income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HMRC)
 - Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

2.7 Support with Childcare Costs

- Government funding is available to support childcare costs including tax free childcare which is for all working families with children under 12 years old (or under 17 for children with a disability).
- Some two-year-old children are eligible for 15 hours of free childcare, depending on income and the receipt of certain benefits. See if you qualify for [15 hours of free childcare for two-year-olds](#).
- Children are automatically eligible for 15 hours of universal funding for up to 38 weeks per year the term after their third birthday.
- In addition to the universal 15 hours of government funding, some families may be entitled to claim an extra 15 hours of childcare per week, bringing the total to 30 hours. This is known as [Extended Entitlement government funding](#).

2.8 Holiday Activity and Food Programme – DfE funded

- Free holiday activities and food for free school meal eligible children in Easter, Summer and Christmas main school holidays
- Delivered in partnership with range of community providers

2.9 Digital Support –Reboot North Yorkshire

<https://rebootny.co.uk/>

- The Reboot initiative involves distributing unwanted laptops, tablets and other devices which have been donated. To access the scheme you need a referral from a local voluntary sector organisation, a school, the county council's Early Help or Living Well team, or a faith group.
- Digital buddies available through Citizens Online.

2.10 Warm Welcome – warm places and spaces

<https://www.warmwelcome.uk/>

- Network of community spaces offering a warm welcome.
- Grants available (Stronger Communities and Locality Budgets) to local VCSE groups to help with costs
- Promoted through national warm welcome network which includes a map of all registered spaces

2.11 Local Community Support Organisations

- County-wide network of voluntary sector partners established during covid-19 pandemic offering a range of help and support including practical help at home and signposting to local groups and advice.

3.0 Local Area Information - Scarborough and Whitby

3.1 Community Support Organisations (CSOs)

This County-wide network of voluntary sector partners established during covid-19 pandemic to offer a range of help and support including practical help at home and signposting to local groups and advice. The CSOs covering the Scarborough and Whitby areas are:

- Scarborough & Filey Areas – Age UK Scarborough and District and Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale Mind
- Whitby Area – Coast and Vale Community Action (CaVCA)
- Esk Valley – Revival North Yorkshire

3.2 Working with local networks and partners the CSOs have continued to provide a core offer of community support as well as activities and services aimed to help build people's confidence and independence, and to support them to re-engage in their communities. These new activities place emphasis on improving wellbeing through appropriate activity and social interaction. The CSOs have been called upon to be a local point of contact to help promote County initiatives and to support people with navigating what benefits and support they are entitled to for instance with regard HSF.

3.3 In addition to running 'warm spaces' of their own the CSOs are helping with the identification and mapping of groups and organisations offering additional activities and warm spaces across the Whitby and Scarborough area. This information is then used by individuals and referring organisations to find suitable activities local and relevant to their needs and interests.

3.4 Holiday Activities and Food Programme

Stronger Communities continue to lead on the delivery of this programme, which was launched with the branding of FEAST (Food, Entertainment, Arts & Sport Together) in partnership with Children and Young People's Service (CYPS) and the voluntary and community sector. Planning is well underway for the delivery of activities around the Christmas holiday period with eleven organisations having already being approved to provide 67 sessions supporting 2836 free places in the Scarborough and Whitby area. These free places will be for children in receipt of free school meals but also could include other identified vulnerable children. As usual for a number of these providers there is the flexibility to increase places if there is demand.

3.5 Digital Inclusion

Work on Reboot North Yorkshire continues to progress with a particular focus on enlisting the support of our local communities and voluntary sector groups as Community Partners to allow a network of community Reboot projects to grow and develop across the county. Scarborough library is one of the two key centres in North Yorkshire for making sure that Reboot devices are safe and fit for purpose. While all libraries in the area are collection and distribution points.

3.6 Health and Wellbeing

Stronger Communities continues to strengthen its relationships with NHS partners and has administered a range of NHS mental health grants for the last two years, including grass roots suicide prevention, a self-harm co-design project and postvention support. The programme is also supporting the transformation of Community Mental Health programme in partnership with North Yorkshire and Vale of York CCGs the grant programme 'Improving the lives of people with mental illness' is open to Scarborough and Whitby organisations is currently open with the closing date of 20th November 2022.

3.7 Stronger Communities also continues to develop strong working relationships with social care colleagues, with sustained involvement in the Prevention and wellbeing

contracts. The 'Stay Healthy, Independent and Connected' grant opportunity is now live with four grants covering Scarborough and Whitby area with the closing date being 27th November 2022.

3.8 Capacity Building

In parallel to the support given to the three Community Support Organisations in the Scarborough and Whitby area, the Stronger Communities Programme has continued to strengthen local community assets and infrastructure; this has included continuing to encourage relationships and collaborations between voluntary and community sector organisations as well as stabilising, and / or building capacity within them if required. Currently six VCSE organisations in the Scarborough and Ryedale area are receiving some specialist support to assist them with areas such as re-modelling their services, strengthening their monitoring and outcomes model and providing additional capacity for fundraising; all of which have been crucial in trying to ensure their future sustainability.

4.0 **Recommendations**

4.1 It is recommended that Members note the content of this report.

Marie-Ann Jackson
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14 November 2022

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Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee

Draft Work Programme 2022/23

Friday 10 June 2022 at 10.30am

Subject	Description
Introduction To Area Constituency Committees	To provide the new Committee with details that will assist Members with their participation in the Area Constituency Committee meetings.
Introduction to Constituency Area	To consider the data profile of the Constituency Area with a view to identifying issues for inclusion in the future work programme
Appointments to Outside Bodies	To appoint representatives to various Outside Bodies which fall within the remit of the Area Constituency Committee
Fire & Rescue Service Consultation	To consider the details of the consultation and options for responding
2021/22 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny

Friday 25 September 2022 at 10:30am

Subject	Description
Verbal Update on Scarborough Hospital Performance	A further performance update for Scarborough hospital from Simon Morritt (CEO York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust) and Heather McNair (Chief Nurse, York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust)
Health in Coastal Communities / Health Deprivation & Inequality	Progress Update on Chief Medical Officer Annual Report on Health in Coastal Communities - Louise Wallace (Director of Public Health), Natalie Smith (Head of HAS Population Health Planning) and Dan Atkinson (Public Health Manager).
2021/22 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny

Friday 25 November 2022 at 2pm

Attendance of MP	Opportunity for the RT Hon Sir Robert Goodwill MP to share his views on main issues of local interest
Rural Policing Update	Annual Update from the NYP Rural Taskforce Unit
Schools, Educational Achievement & Finance	An overview of the local educational landscape, educational achievement and the financial challenges which affect schools in the Scarborough & Whitby constituency area
Stronger Communities Update	Stronger Communities and Community Response to Cost of Living Update
2022/23 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny

9 January 2023 at 10:30am

Budget 2023/24 Proposals	Overview of Budget proposals for 2021/22 – Gary Fielding, Director of Strategic Resources
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2021/22 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny
24 March 2023 at 10:30am	
Subject	Description
Draft Work Programme for 2023/24	To consider and amend areas for Scrutiny in the coming municipal year

Other topics to be allocated:

- Aging Population – provision and accessibility to locally based services
- The cost of housing and other housing related issues e.g. Cost of Living & Fuel Poverty;
- Cyber Crime
- Reduction in Bus Services and its impact on residents' lives;
- Public transport connectivity & Integrated transport for rural areas