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# **Agenda**

Notice of a public meeting

of: Richmond (Yorks) Area Constituency Committee

To: Councillors Alyson Baker, Caroline Dickinson,

Bridget Fortune, Kevin Foster, Bryn Griffiths, Tom Jones, Carl Les, Heather Moorhouse, Stuart Parsons, Yvonne Peacock (Chair),

Karin Sedgwick, Angus Thompson, Malcolm Warne, Steve Watson, David Webster, John Weighell OBE, Annabel Wilkinson and Peter Wilkinson (Vice-Chair).

Date: Wednesday, 23rd November 2022

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Brierley Room, County Hall, Northallerton

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# <u>Business</u>

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 September 2022

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2. Apologies & Declarations of Interest

# 3. 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.

4.	YorBus Pilot Update	(Pages 11 - 16)
5.	Update on the Emergency Plans	(Pages 17 - 18)
6.	North Northallerton Bridge Update	(Pages 19 - 20)
7.	Annual Schools Educational Achievement & Finance Report	(Pages 21 - 36)
8.	Work Programme	(Pages 37 - 40)

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

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15 November 2022

# Agenda Item 1

# **North Yorkshire County Council**

# **Richmond (Yorks) Area Contituency Committee**

Minutes of the meeting held at County Hall, Northallerton on Monday, 5th September 2022 commencing at 10am

County Councillors Yvonne Peacock (Chair), Alyson Baker, Caroline Dickinson, Kevin Foster, Bryn Griffiths, Tom Jones, Carl Les, Heather Moorhouse, Karin Sedgwick, Angus Thompson, Steve Watson, David Webster, , Annabel Wilkinson and Peter Wilkinson.

Officers present: Jayne Charlton and Steve Loach

External Officers – Lisa Pope (North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board) and Peter Stockton (Yorkshire Dales national Park Authority)

Other Attendees: Stuart Minting (Press)

Apologies: County Councillors Bridget Fortune and John Weighell OBE

Malcolm Warne (Co-opted Member)

# Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

# 13. Chair's welcome, introductions and apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, introduced the external officers and highlighted the apologies submitted.

# 14. Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th June 2022 - to agree as an accurate record

It was noted that there were some discrepancies with the Appointments to Outside bodies carried out at the previous meeting. These would be rectified between meetings and appointments would be reported back to a subsequent meeting.

**Resolved -** That the Minutes of the meeting of the Richmond Area Constituency Committee held on 6 June 2022, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read, and confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

# 15. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

### 16. Public Questions or Statements

There were no public questions or statements.

### 17. Development of the Catterick Integrated Care Campus – Update

Lisa Pope CICC Programme Leader and Deputy Director (Primary Care), North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board, provided an update on the development of the Catterick Integrated Care Campus, highlighting the following:-

- The expansion of the facilities commenced around 7 years ago, when a meeting at the campus recognised that access to multiple services in the area was not good, particularly for young families, many of which were without their partners for long periods of time, it was considered appropriate that a joint health venture, with the MoD, should be undertaken.
- Some of the existing medical practices were in a poor condition with poor facilities.
- The aim was, therefore, to create a Hub to provide a wide range of health and social care facilities in the area.
- A timeline of the progress of the CICC, since the public/stakeholder consultation in 2015, was outlined, and it was noted that the full business case had been approve by the ICB, which provided access to capital funding. The National Plan for funding had also been approached to try and ensure that the necessary funding for the development was available.
- The design of the building would be open and welcoming but would provide mental health services in a way that protects the privacy of the person involved, as, currently that was not the case.
- The facility would be a multi-purpose social and community asset from where a large number of health and social care issues can be addressed. Primary Care would be the initial focus with further services added as the facility developed.
- A consultation programme was currently being developed to consider how to provide appropriate pathways into local communities, to ensure that the CICC works appropriately and effectively for the local area.
- The preparation of the site had commenced with the demolition of some buildings. The Grade II listed building had been retained.
- The formal planning approval was expected shortly and the development would then be submitted to NHS England for progression.
- It was expected that the development of the facility would commence in Spring 2023, with a proposed completion date of Spring 2024.

Members discussed the proposals for the CICC and the following issues were raised:

- A Member asked how transport issues could be addressed if there was to be 24 hour access to health services at the facility. In response it was noted that GPs would operate between 8am and 8pm, with an out of hours GP also operating. Every effort would be made to ensure that public transport took into account the CICC with changes to bus routes expected. The Yorkshire Ambulance Service would also take account of the new facilities. It was emphasised, however, that despite the efforts taking place to assist, it was not the responsibility of the NHS to provide transport.
- Issues relating to how the share of the budget for the development was divided were discussed. In terms of capital funding, this was split between those involved in the project. The revenue budget was still subject to negotiation, but was also expected to be split accordingly.
- The issue of dental surgery provision was discussed, and it was noted that the plan included 17 dental surgeries, but these were for exclusive use by the MoD. It was asked whether there was any flexibility to allow these to be used by non-military people in the area, as dental services were highly sought after. In response it was noted that these services had been commissioned by the MoD, which was why they were exclusive to them, however, discussions would be held with their representatives to determine whether these could be made available for community use when not being used for military personnel, but the different funding mechanisms could affect this. Efforts were also being made to have an NHS dentistry service on site. It was acknowledged that dentistry was a significant issue that was yet to be fully addressed.
- It was clarified that the services at the CICC would be autism and dementia aware.
- A Member noted that the MoD used several of the local hospitals as training facilities for their medical staff and suggested that this could be reciprocated in terms of dentistry. It was clarified that the CICC would not be providing orthodontic services.
- A Member suggested that it would be based at the

Centre. In response it was stated that provision would be made for an ambulance to be located there, however, but currently there were no plans for one to be permanently in place.

- It was asked whether a pharmacy was to be located in the CICC. In response it was stated that, as three were already located in the area another would not be permitted, however, it was currently being clarified as to whether one of the existing pharmacies would like to relocate into the new facility.
- A member highlighted the increases in costs associated with building new facilities and asked whether this had been factored in for the development. In response it was noted that risk and contingency had been written into the Plans for the development, with account taken of the current volatility in the construction market. The development was likely to be phased to ensure that costs could be kept under control, and public finance tended to be allocated on a phased basis.

It was noted that the development was expected to start in 2023 and Members asked that an update be provided to the Committee when the construction had commenced.

**Resolved –** That Lisa Pope be thanked for her update, the contents of which be noted.

# 18. North Northallerton Bridge - Update - Report of the Corporate Director, Business and Environmental Services.

Considered – An update report on North Northallerton Bridge, informing Members of the ongoing progress on its delivery.

Area Highways Manager, Jayne Charlton, presented the update report, and the following issues were highlighted:-

- The Highway Authority were currently awaiting the results of the safety audit by the developer, which was required by the end of the week;
- No opening date could be provided until the results of the safety audit were known;
- Approval of the safety audit was also required from Network Rail.

Members raised the following issues:-

- It was disappointing that the developer had been slow to complete this. It appeared that the work was now completed, with some minor remedial works required. It was asked, therefore, that the bridge be opened to pedestrians, allowing them to use the footpath, until clearance had been obtained for the opening of the road. This would provide much needed shorter access for young people going to and from Northallerton High School, and would provide an opportunity to show that some progress was being made. It was stated that enquiries would be made to determine whether it was possible to open the footpaths, however, permission was likely to be at Assistant Director level. It was stated that the remedial works required were not affecting the opening of the bridge, however, the provision of the safety audit was crucial to that.
- It was clarified that the evening use audit had been undertaken at the same time as the safety audit, which was the usual practice for a stage 3 audit.
- Members asked that pressure be applied to the developer to ensure that the project was expedited as soon as possible. It was stated that the team dealing with this issue had been actively pursuing the developer to try and bring closure to the process but had received little response. Members noted that the significant delay to the opening of the bridge had generated a huge amount of detrimental public interest. The local community found it difficult to understand why the route was not open when it looked as though Phades n completed. In response it was noted that

- some significant key elements of the infrastructure were not yet completed, including street lighting and signage. One the safety audit was satisfactorily completed the work on the road could be signed off.
- Members recognised that it was not NY Highways that were causing the delays to
  the opening of the bridge in it was suggested that the developer should not be
  provided with the final settlement until the bridge was finally signed off. In relation to
  this it was noted that the development of the bridge had been funded via the LEP,
  and it was unlikely that it could be withheld, however, it was emphasised that the
  Authority should continue to put pressure on the developer to ensure that this was
  signed off as soon as possible.
- It was noted that the adoption of the structure and the access roundabout would be put to Members when the project had been signed off.

**Resolved –** That the action highlighted be undertaken and the update report be noted.

# 19 Yorkshire Dales Local Plan 2023 – 2040 - Progress report

Peter Stockton, Head of Sustainable Development, Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority gave a presentation in respect of the Yorkshire Dales Local Plan 2023 to 2040. He highlighted the following:-

#### Local Plan area

- 840 sq miles, population 24,000
- Rural parts of Craven, Richmondshire, South Lakeland, Eden and Lancaster
- Approx. two thirds in North Yorkshire one third in Cumbria
- Currently four development plans and two minerals and waste local plans

New Plan looking at future development between 2023 and 2040

- Single set of development management policies
- Align with National Park Management Plan vision and objectives
- Conform with changes to national policy

#### Issues

- Demographic challenge population projected to decline
- Ageing population shortage of employees, impact on services
- More affordable homes families, young workers, elderly
- Slow rate of development 10 years allocation to completion
- Changes to farming impact on land management and landscape
- Very high levels of under occupancy second homes and holiday lets

# Cross boundary issues

- Deep rurality holding onto and access to services
- Tourism and farming rural economy
- Climate adaptation downstream flooding, storm damage
- Green infrastructure habitat, water supply, rights of way etc
- Health opportunities for physical activity and mental wellbeing

# **Progress**

- 2yrs into the review
- Consultation No. 5 'Preferred Options'. Direction of travel with 50 policies covering every aspect of the emerging Plan

# General support for:

- Housing target of 50 dwelling per annum
- Proactive housing strategy (allocate sites)
- Permanent occupancy clause (to prevent new permissions becoming additional second homes and holiday lets)
- 50% affordable housing requirement on sites in the south, 30% elsewhere
- Lower C02 emissions from development
- Biodiversity enhancement
- Less flexibility for holiday letting through barn conversion
- Mixed views on other issues

# Next stages;

- Sift site options for allocation availability, landscape, flood risk, access, archaeology, etc
- Consult on site options November
- Prepare detailed policies, justification and mapping informed by consultations
- Agree statement of cooperation new Unitary Authorities from 1st April 2023
- Publish draft Local Plan for formal representation 2023

# Members discussed the presentation and the following issues were raised:-

- It was asked what percentage of homes in the Yorkshire Dales were holiday lets. In response it was stated that although they were not all holiday lets, the number of homes not permanently occupied was around 3700 (21%). Members emphasised the need to ensure that every effort had to be made to ensure that the local economy was supported to assist local people with remaining in those areas, including the provision of sustainable housing at affordable prices. It was explained that existing housing could not be altered to address this, however, going forward from now, appropriate action could be taken in support of local people.
- It was noted that existing homes could be changed to holiday lets without planning permission.
- It was asked whether new builds could be prevented from becoming second homes or holiday lets. In response it was stated that, currently there was nothing to prevent this from happening, but policies were being prepared whereby developments of five houses or less would be restricted to local occupancy only, with these being provided for people working within the National Park. Open market housing would be available on bigger development sites. It was asked how the policy would work and explained that planning conditions would be put in place via Section 106 legal agreements, which would allow planning enforcement for 10 years, with the legal agreement in place for perpetuity.
- Members considered that the policy may prevent landowners from providing land for development when this policy is implemented. In relation to this it was stated that the appropriate Authority for acquiring land for housing development, under these circumstances would be the Housing Authority, and it may be appropriate for the new Unitary Authority to purchase parts of available land within the Park, to allow these developments to take place.

- A Member asked what plans the Park were proposing to reduce carbon emissions and improve carbon capture. In response it was stated that new development was scrutinised much more than previously with carbon reduction and capture prominent in requirements, with developers invited to present their application and outline how they will address carbon issues. Building Regulations were also being developed to take account of carbon matters. In terms of land management the Park would work with landowners and farmers on a management plan to address carbon and climate change issues, with this being separate to the Local Plan.
- Devolution may provide additional funding to provide an opportunity for the purchase and redevelopment of brownfield sites within the Park, as outlined above, otherwise additional resources would need to be identified for these purposes.
- Issues relating to the tourism sector and, in particular, accommodation for those working in that sector, was discussed. It was noted that there was little opportunity provided for sub-dividing existing properties to create houses of multi-occupation, that could be utilised by staff from the tourism sector. In response it was stated that efforts were being made to address this, with issues such as parking, being considerations that had to be taken account of.
- Concern was raised in relation to a review taking place that was considering reducing the number of elected Members serving on the National Park Authorities. It was considered that there was already some disparity in terms of representation, with some Members covering an area with only a small population and others covering huge areas, with a large population. A reduction in Membership would only compound this and NYCC had written to the Secretary of State in respect of this. Members agreed with the issues raised and emphasised the need for an equal and continued level of representation from North Yorkshire Council.

**Resolved -** That Peter Stockton be thanked for his presentation, which was noted, and his response to the issues raised

# 20 Work Programme 2022/23 - Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services)

Considered - A report presenting the committee's draft work programme for the municipal year 2022-23.

Steve Loach, Principal Democratic Services & Scrutiny Officer 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.

It was requested that response times by the Yorkshire Ambulance Service be added to the Work Programme.

It was agreed that the Chair would work with the supporting officer to update the draft work programme ahead of the Committee's next meeting.

**Resolved** – That the work programme be noted and the issue highlighted above be added.

# 21 Next Meeting

**Resolved –** that the next meeting of the Committee be held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 at 10am at a venue to be confirmed.

# 22 Other Urgent Business

The Chairman allowed the following issue to be discussed as a matter of urgency due to the temporary legislation covering this matter coming to an end prior to the next meeting of the Committee.

# (i) Street Furniture and Temporary Outside Accommodation for Bars/Restaurants/Cafes/etc.

It was noted that the temporary legislation that had permitted the hospitality sector to relax the regulations on outside seating areas was due to come to an end at the end of September 2022, and it was asked what would happen following this, as many of these areas were now well used and established.

In response the Area Highways Manager advised that the temporary legislation had now been extended to the end of Spring 2023, which would allow an opportunity for establishments to apply for permanent orders, if they required these. The Licensing and Highways Authorities would then be responsible for enforcing this position. The current arrangements could continue, therefore, until Spring next year, before appropriate permission had to be sought.

**Resolved** – that this position be noted

The meeting concluded at 11.40 am





# North Yorkshire County Council Richmond Constituency Committee – 23 November 2022

# **Update on the YorBus Pilot Project**

# 1.0 Purpose of the Report

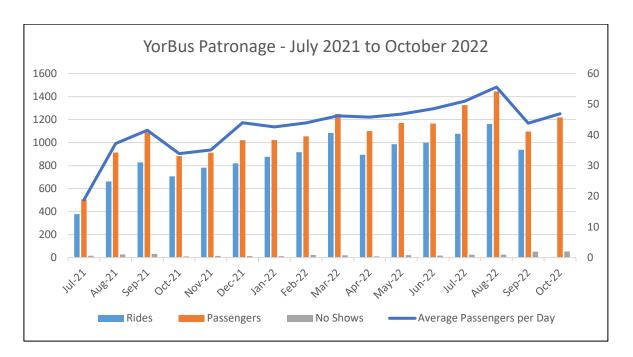
1.1 To update the committee on the operation of the YorBus pilot Digital Demand Responsive Bus Service.

# 2.0 Background

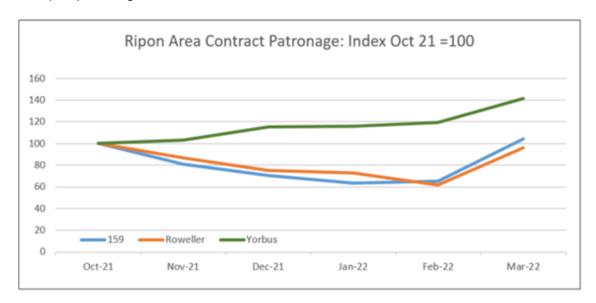
- 2.1 YorBus is a flexible, on-demand bus service connecting Ripon, Masham, Bedale and surrounding villages. It is a flexible transport service, where transport is shared and vehicles use software to vary their routes within a defined operating area based on customer demand rather than using a fixed route or timetable.
- 2.2 The service started in July 2021, initially as a 12 month pilot project, and has subsequently been extended for a second year up to 30 June 2023.
- 2.3 The service is run with two 14 seater, wheelchair accessible buses using NYCC "in house" fleet vehicles and staff resource; operating from 06:55 to 18:00 Monday to Friday, and 09:00 to 18:00 on Saturdays and covering a largely rural area of 217km2. A map of the operating area is included below (Annex A).
- 2.4 Customers book journeys on the bus via the dedicated YorBus app or through the NYCC Customer Service Centre. The option to pre-book journeys in advance was added from 1 August 2022 allowing journeys to be booked up to a day in advance and this is already proving popular.
- 2.5 Fares were increased from the start of August with a single journey costing £2:00 for adults, £1:00 for a child, with under-fives travelling for free. Customers with a concessionary bus pass may use their bus pass to travel for free within concessionary bus pass hours.
- 2.6 Further details are available on the NYCC website at <u>YorBus Connecting North</u> Yorkshire | North Yorkshire County Council

# 3.0 Performance of YorBus 2021/22

3.1 Patronage of the YorBus service has been stronger than forecast during the first year of the pilot.



3.2 Initial findings when comparing YorBus passenger data with that of the subsidised services indicates that YorBus is attracting a different type of bus user. This is likely a combination of the flexibility of the service, coupled with the ease of booking via an app, which would appeal to younger adults (who typically use buses less than concessionary pass holders). Most subsidised bus services find that a high proportion of their passengers are concessionary bus pass users; YorBus breaks this trend, with more than 90% of users being fare paying adults or children. This shows that the flexibility of the YorBus service is meeting a different need to other local bus routes – further evidenced by the growth of the YorBus service over winter, a period when bus services normally see a drop in patronage.



3.3 The business case for the project identified a set of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the service. The table below sets out these KPIs and the progress the pilot has made in achieving them:

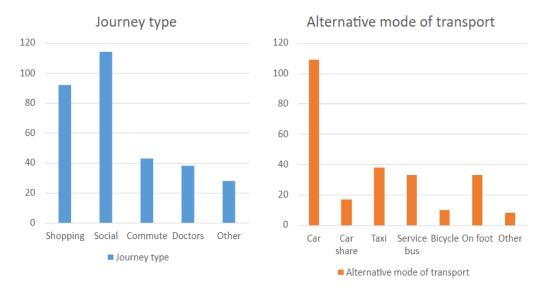
KPI	Measure	Target	Progress (31/10/22)
Passenger mode shift from fixed timetable to YorBus	Number of pick ups	758 at 3 months 885 at 6 months	17,195 Patronage data on LBS suggests this is latent

			demand rather than modal shift
Customer satisfaction	Ride rating	85% of riders give a 4 or 5 star rating	90.2% 5 star rating
Awareness of service	Citizens Panel survey responses which indicate they have heard of the YorBus service	50% respondents indicate they are aware of the service (6 months post Go Live)	84% of respondents who live in Hambleton or Harrogate districts (where the pilot operates) are aware of the service
Customer base	Number of customer accounts created	171 at 3 months 398 at 6 months	3,246 accounts created
Journey availability	% requests which receive a ride proposal	80% requests receive a proposal	76.7% requests received a proposal. Up to 31 July this was 81.8%, the introduction of pre booking has affected this.
Pick up times	% ride proposals within 45 minutes of search time	65% requests offered a journey within 45 minutes of search time	Average wait time 32.5 minutes (71% of all scheduled rides* offered a journey within 45 minutes of search) *Figure not obtainable where ride proposal was not confirmed or for pre-booked rides
Punctuality	Average pick up time: Scheduled v Actual	Average pick up time: Scheduled v Actual to be less than 5 minutes	Average pick up time: Scheduled v Actual 0.4 minutes
Service suitability	% accepted proposals	60% proposals accepted at 6 months	44.5% - although lower than target, this is higher than other DR services when looked at in a bench marking exercise

# 4.0 Customer Feedback

- 4.1 Feedback from customers has been very positive, and the high levels of customer satisfaction are reflected in the number of repeat passengers using the service.
- 4.2 In the period 01/07/21 31/07/22, YorBus has seen more than 850 active riders complete over 13,000 passenger journeys, with 39.4% of these customers completing more than 5 journeys on the service. There are a number of customers who have completed more than 100 rides on the service.
- 4.3 Customers who leave feedback via the app leave an average rating of 4.9 out of 5 stars, with 90.5% of rides being given a 5 star rating.
- 4.4 A survey carried out in May 2022 found that customers have been using the YorBus service to travel to work, to access essential services and for social trips, and that the most common mode of transport which would have been used if YorBus wasn't available was a car. This shows that YorBus is helping to encourage North Yorkshire residents away from the private motor vehicle and onto public transport.

• What do/would you use the service for? How would you travel otherwise?



### 5.0 Finance

5.1 The net cost of running the service for 2022/23 (April 22 – March 23) of £229k is included in the budget of North Yorkshire County Council.

# 6.0 Next Steps

- 6.1 Further development is taking place during the remaining pilot period:
  - Assessing the impact of introducing the pre-booking option and fare increase.
  - Offering new fares initiatives such as a group travel discount and a 'refer a friend' scheme.
  - Promotion of the 'virtual bus stops' feature.
  - Comparison of service performance with other tendered fixed route bus services.
  - Considering options to roll YorBus out to other parts of the county as part of a review
    of Local Bus Service provision. Following the confirmation from the DfT that Bus
    Service Improvement Plan funding will not be forthcoming this will involve seeking
    alternative funding sources to support any wider rollout

# 7.0 Recommendation

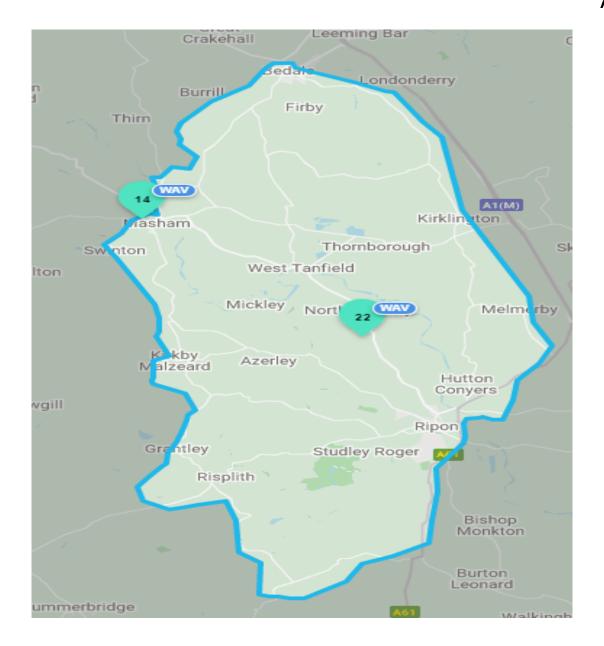
7.1 The Committee is asked to note the information in this report.

Author: Andy Clarke Integrated Passenger Transport Business and Environmental Services North Yorkshire County Council

14 November 2022

Annex A - Map showing area covered by YorBus pilot scheme

# Annex A





# North Yorkshire County Council

# Richmond ACC

### **23 November 2022**

# **Update on Emergency Plans**

# Report of the Resilience and Emergencies Unit

# 1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To update members on the emergency plans in place across the constituency area

#### 2.0 Introduction

2.1 The more engagement the Council invests with Local resilience Groups, the greater the 'buy-in' we have from the communities in developing their own emergency plans. Which will give local groups a better understanding of what can achieved before, during, and after an emergency. This, alongside regular training and exercising, will ensure community resilience in the time of any emergency incident assisting any Council led response.

# 3.0 Consultation Undertaken and Responses

3.1 North Yorkshire County Council in consulting with local communities in Low Row, Gunnerside, Grinton, Preston under Scar and Arkengarthdale; is in process of enabling each community to become more resilient by advising on the development of community-based emergency plans; that enables preparedness and response in times of severe incidents. Thus, giving more confidence to Community led volunteers, in the activation, coordination and execution of their respective plans.

# 4.0 Impact on Other Services/Organisations

4.1 Having community emergency plans allows communities to respond to an emergency, if safe to do so, assess the situation and to take action to provide residents with safety; allowing critical time for response; if Emergency Services / Agencies, are delayed in their response to more rural community areas.

### 5.0 Risk Management Implications

5.1 The planning and development process is used to identify potential risks and hazards to the community. The use of mitigation make these risks and hazards as low as practicable; ensuring a workable response framework

#### 6.0 Financial Implications

6.1 Limited to approved grants, from various sources; for community emergency equipment

# 7.0 Legal Implications

7.1 The Council as a Category 1 responder, under provisions of the Civil Contingency Act 2004 has legal obligations to ensure its communities are supported and advised on local based issues directly affecting resilience and emergency preparedness.

# 8.0 Human Resources Implications

8.1 Community resilience groups are on a volunteer basis. No HR implications

# 9.0 Recommendation(s)9.1 The Committee are asked to note the update

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14 November 2022

Report Author – Jason Wainwright and Joe Rushbrook Presenter of Report – Jason Wainwright

# Agenda Item 6



# North Yorkshire County Council Richmond (Yorks) Constituency Committee – 23 November 2022

# North Northallerton Bridge - update

# 1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 To keep Members informed of ongoing progress on the delivery of the Bridge at the North Northallerton Development

# 2.0 Update on the Opening of the full Link Road

- 2.1 The developers have continued to address issues raised in the recent road safety audit and complete the outstanding works along the route.
- 2.2 These works have included securing a power supply for the Toucan Crossings, providing the appropriate advance direction signing, installation of street lighting for the bridge and completion of the final surfacing to the footways/cycleway. A number of minor repairs to works already completed are also being undertaken.
- 2.3 The road safety audit had recommended additional signing and lining works along the route, provision of pedestrian guardrail at the junction with Northallerton Road and amendments to a number of crossing points.
- 2.2 At the time of writing this report, officers are in close liaison with the developers and their contractor in order to finalise an opening date for the new road. it is anticipated that a date will have been agreed and published before the date of the committee meeting.

# 3.0 Recommendation

**3.1** The contents of the report are noted.

Author: James Kennedy Highways and Transportation Business and Environmental Services North Yorkshire County Council Nov 2022





# North Yorkshire County Council Richmond (Yorks) Area Constituency Committee

23 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 Richmond constituency committee area.

# 2.0 Local educational landscape

2.1 There are now 21 primary academies and 4 secondary academies within the Richmond (Yorks) constituency area. The academy conversion rate for primary schools is lower within the constituency area when compared to the county as a whole (29% compared to 35.7% in North Yorkshire.) The academy conversion rate for secondary schools is similar to the picture for the whole county (57.1% compared to 65.1% in North Yorkshire).

Summary of schools' status - October 2022

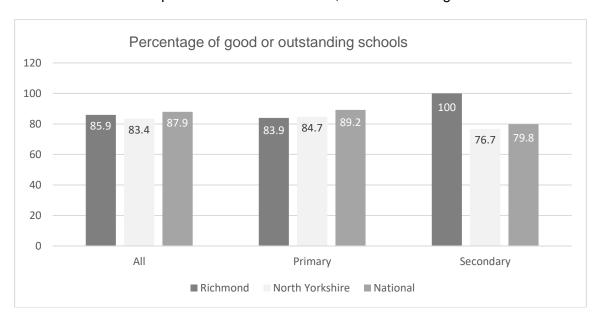
	Schools in North Yorkshire		Richmor	ools in nd (Yorks) area
Primary Maintained	193	64.3%	44	71.0%
Primary Academy & Free School	107	35.7%	18	29.0%
Total	300		62	
Secondary Maintained	15	34.9%	3	42.9%
Secondary Academy	28	65.1%	4	57.1%
Total	43		7	
Special Maintained	7	70%	2	100%
Special Academy	3	30%	0	
Total	10		2	
PRU Maintained	4	80%	1	100%
PRU Academy	1	20%	0	
Total	5		1	
Total maintained	219	61.2%	50	69.4%
Total Academy	139	38.8%	22	30.6%
Overall Total	358		72	

#### 3.0 School standards

### 3.1 School Ofsted judgements

In the constituency area, as of 31 August 2022, 83.9% of primary schools were judged good or outstanding by Ofsted, which is broadly in-line with the North Yorkshire picture

but below the proportion nationally. In terms of secondary schools, 100% were judged good or outstanding, which is higher than the North Yorkshire and national averages. There are nine schools judged 'requires improvement' or 'inadequate' in the constituency area. Of the schools judged RI, one has received successive RI judgements in their two most recent Ofsted inspections and has therefore, met the coasting school definition.



# 3.2 <u>Uneven impact of the pandemic on 2021/22 performance data</u>

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

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.

- 3.3 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.
- 3.4 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. When forming a view of how well schools are doing it is important to consider a range of different information sources.

#### 3.5 Attainment Overall

The Committee has previously (24 November 2021) considered a report which contained all of the key attainment data for 2017, 2018, and 2019.

3.6 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.

- 3.7 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.
- 3.8 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. The phonics screening check for Year 1 pupils was instead required to be undertaken during the second half of the autumn term 2021. All statutory assessments resumed in 2022 with the wider introduction of the new Reception Baseline Assessment.

# 3.9 Early Years Foundation Stage Profile (EYFSP)

70.4% of children in the constituency area achieved a Good Level of Development. An inyear comparison of EYFSP outcomes with LA and national figures (see table below) shows that a greater proportion of pupils within the Richmond constituency area achieve a good level of development compared with all NYCC pupils and those nationally.

Early Years Foundation Stage Profile – percentage achieving a good level of development							
Richmond North Yorkshire National							
2017	72.4%	71.6%	70.7%				
2018	72.9%	72.5%	71.6%				
2019	73.2%	72.8%	71.8%				
2022	70.4%	68.3%	65.2%				

# 3.10 Key Stage 2

In 2022, 51.8% of children in the constituency area achieved the expected level or above in reading, writing and maths combined, which is slightly 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 6.9 percentage points This attainment gap can be attributed to a decline in standards for some schools in writing and/or maths. Through the autumn term planning meetings, part of the core school improvement offer to LA maintained schools, school level data is being interrogated with school leaders and school development plans scrutinised to ensure school leaders have robust plans in place to address any identified improvement priorities.

Key Stage 2 - percentage achieving the expected standard or above in reading, writing and maths combined.								
	Richmond North Yorkshire National							
2017	60.9%	58.7%	61.1%					
2018	62.8%	62.2%	64.4%					
2019	<b>2019</b> 61.5% 63.4% 65.0%							
2022	51.8%	55.3%	58.7%					

# 3.11 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.

3.12 The average Attainment 8 score, which measures the achievement of a pupil across eight qualifications, was 48.3 for 2022. This is below the North Yorkshire average and similar to the national average, reflecting the pattern of previous years.

KS4 – Average Attainment 8 Score							
Richmond North Yorkshire National							
2016	51.4	51.8	50.0				
2017	48.1	49.6	46.3				
2018	46.4	48.3	46.4				
2019	46.0	48.7	46.7				
2022	48.3	50.2	48.9				

3.13 The Progress 8 score, which measures a pupil's progress from the end of primary school to the end of secondary school, was close to the national average, but below the North Yorkshire average in 2022. A comparison of the Progress 8 scores for schools within the Richmond constituency area with the LA figure, identifies a performance tend consistently below the county average.

KS4 – Average Progress 8 Score						
	Richmond North Yorkshire National					
2016	-0.01	0.04	0.00			
2017	0.11	0.17	0.00			
2018	0.03	0.13	-0.03			
2019	-0.07	0.09	-0.03			
2022	-0.08	0.04	-0.03			

3.14 The percentage achieving a grade 5 or above (grading is 9-1) in English and Maths (Basics measure) was 48.2% 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 – Pe	KS4 – Percentage achieving a grade 5 or above in English and Maths					
	Richmond	North Yorkshire	National			
2016	data not compara	able because of the new grading sys	stem			
2017	45.8%	45.8% 50.4% 42.6%				
2018	41.5%	47.7% 43%				
2019	39.1% 47.4% 43.2%					
2022	48.2% 53.6% 49.4%					

# 3.15 Not in education, employment or training

here were 960 young people recorded in Year 11 living in this constituency in May 2021 and of this cohort only two (0.2%) were not in education, employment or training after leaving school as of August 2021.

# 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. 361 of these children were on roll of mainstream schools in Richmond constituency.

4.2 In 2020/21, there were 3553 Suspensions for a total of 1578 individual children, 290 of these children were on roll of mainstream schools in Richmond constituency.

Suspensio	Suspension Incidents					
Academic year	Incidents Richmond	Incidents North Yorkshire	% of North Yorkshire total	Most common reason		
2021/22	887	5010	17.7%	Persistent or general disruptive behaviour (49%)		
2020/21	615	3553	17.3%	Persistent or general disruptive behaviour (32.0%)		
2019/20	702	4366	16.1%	Persistent or general disruptive behaviour (43.0%)		

4.3 In 2021/22 schools in the constituency area had a 16% share of the total school population in North Yorkshire and a c.18% share of suspensions for the whole county.

# 4.4 Permanent exclusions

In 2021/22, there were 54 permanent exclusions from schools in the county, thirteen of which were for children in Richmond area schools. In the same period of 2020/21, there were 26 permanent exclusions, four of which were from Richmond.

Permanent exclusions						
Academic year	Richmond	North Yorkshire	Percentage of North Yorkshire total			
2021/22	13	54	24.1%			
2020/21	4	26	15.4%			
2019/20	15	52	28.8%			

4.5 From September 2020 a preventative model of alternative provision has been commissioned through Hambleton and Richmondshire PRS 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 <u>Targeted Mainstream Provision- Reshaping of SEN Provision in Richmond area over the</u> 2021/22 Academic Year

The development of the new model of provision known as 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 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 2021/22 academic year Communication and Interaction targeted provision to support both primary and secondary aged children and young people in this constituency area has been developed. Following building work in Wensleydale School and Sixth Form and Alverton Primary School over the summer 2022, both of these schools now provide TMPs for Communication and Interaction needs.
- 5.3 Following building work at Thirsk School over the summer 2022, a partnership between Thirsk School and Hambleton and Richmondshire PRS now delivers a TMP for Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) needs for Secondary age pupils. Following a capital investment, Stokesley Academy also delivers SEMH provision for primary aged pupils in the constituency.
- 5.4 Work is continuing 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.
- 5.5 The 'outreach' offer for children and young people with SEND continues to be met by the SEND multi-disciplinary hubs made up of specialist staff employed directly by the Local Authority including specialist teachers, practitioners, educational psychologists and therapists.
- 5.6 On 20 September 2022 the Council's Executive gave approval for Children and Young People's Service to submit a bid to build a new Special School for children and young people with Social, Emotional and mental Health Needs. The proposed site for the school is the former Northallerton School site on Grammar School Lane. The bid has been submitted to the Department for Education as part of their most recent Special Free School bidding wave. The Local Authority will find out early in 2023 if the bid has been successful.

# 5.7 SEN Statistics for Constituency Area

As of January 2022 there were 664 children living in the constituency with a North Yorkshire funded EHC plan, 16.9% 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 41.1 %, Moderate Learning Disabilities (MLD) at 16.6% and Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) at 16.3%.

As of the January 2022 school census there were 1845 children recorded as SEN Support from schools in this constituency, 18.7% of the North Yorkshire total. The most common needs for children receiving SEN support in the area are Speech, Language and Communication at 20.4% and Specific Learning Difficulties (e.g. Dyslexia) at 19.0%.

#### 6.0 Elective Home Education

As of the beginning of the 2022/23 academic year there were 816 children recorded as Electively Home Educated (EHE) in North Yorkshire, 106 of which were formerly registered at a mainstream school in Richmond. At the same point last year, there were

778 children EHE in North Yorkshire, 107 formerly from a mainstream school in Richmond. This represents a 5% increase in North Yorkshire and a broadly static position in Richmond

6.2 In the 2021/22 academic year, 418 children became EHE in North Yorkshire, 55 of which were formerly educated in a mainstream school in Richmond. This figure was 76 from Richmond of 503 becoming EHE in North Yorkshire, in the previous academic year (2020/21).

### 7.0 School Finance

# 7.1 <u>2021/2022 School Revenue Balances</u>

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
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
Comparison to total school revenue balance (net) as at 31 March 2021	+£24k	+£715k	-£421k	+£7k	+£325k

- 7.2 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.
- 7.3 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  183 schools	Secondary  15 schools	Special 7 schools	Pupil Referral Unit 4 schools	Total
No. Schools with an Accumulated Revenue Budget	15	5	3	1	24

Deficit as at 31 March 2022					
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 31March 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

# 7.4 <u>School Budget Projections - Based on 2022/23 Start budgets</u> 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
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
Comparison to total school revenue balance as at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2022	-£3,069k	-£795k	-£1,213k	-£222k	-£5,299k

7.5 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 Federation budget and 1 school converting to academy status from 1 April 2022)

# 7.6 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% and 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 in excess of 200% and uncertainty as to the impact of the Government Energy Bill Relief Scheme
  - Overall inflationary pressures in excess of 10%
  - Cost pressures associated with additional support for Covid recovery 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.
- 7.7 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.
- 7.8 <u>Local Authority Support for Schools in Financial Difficulty</u>
  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.

# 7.9 Schools Financial Position – Richmond

#### 2021/22

37 schools projecting to be in budget surplus as at 31 March 2022

4 schools projecting to be in deficit by March 2022; 10% of schools in Richmond. (1 primary, 2 secondary, 1 special)

Projected average primary surplus = £111k
Projected average secondary surplus = £356k
Projected average special surplus = £821k
Projected average PRU surplus = £320k

Projected average primary deficit = -£13k Projected average secondary deficit = -£656k Projected average special deficit = -£649k Projected average PRU deficit = N/A

(Data Source - 2022/23 Start Budgets)

#### 2022/23

37 schools projecting to be in budget surplus as at 31 March 2023

4 schools projecting to be in deficit by March 2023; 10% of schools in Richmond. (1 primary, 2 secondary, 1 special)

Projected average primary surplus = £103k
Projected average secondary surplus = £418k
Projected average special surplus = £410k
Projected average PRU surplus = £280k

Projected average primary deficit = -£81k Projected average secondary deficit = -£813k Projected average special deficit = -£454k Projected average PRU deficit = N/A

(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 those for a school 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 nine federations in the Richmond area. All of these federations are maintained schools with a single governing body and headteacher. 'Synergy', based at Brompton on Swale primary school, involves four primary schools collaborating under one executive headteacher.

# 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 we group 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 Richmond constituency area. Pupil numbers reflect the general picture across much of the county, which is one of projected growth in urban areas, such as Catterick, contrasting with generally declining numbers in rural locations, such as Swaledale and Wensleydale. There are several social and economic reasons for this including the availability and price of housing and employment factors.
- 8.6 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. Across the constituency the schools have worked innovatively to mitigate these challenges including forming local federations. For all small schools the fluctuation of pupil numbers exacerbates the already challenging nature of school funding.
- 8.7 In terms of projected growth in urban areas, Northallerton and Catterick Garrison accommodate most of the growth in the constituency's Local Plans. Catterick Garrison is made up of the three adjoining parishes of Hipswell, Colburn and Scotton and most of the housing in the Richmondshire Local Plan has been allocated to this area, while Northallerton is the 'principal development area' in the Hambleton Local Plan. The key points to note within LA planning areas across the constituency area are:
  - Northallerton Area The strategic site for development in Northallerton is the North Northallerton Development Area (NNDA) and the proposed 1,400 dwellings proposed for the NNDA will place demands on the town's educational infrastructure. The existing primary schools and housing in Northallerton are concentrated to the south of the town. Consequently, land has been secured within the NNDA for a new one form entry (210 places) primary school and the target opening date for the new school is September 2024. The design of the primary school building is single storey and allows for future expansion to 2FE should that be required.

The town's two secondary schools were amalgamated on a constrained site. Consequently, Northallerton School and Sixth Form has now moved to an alternative larger site. With the relocation of the secondary school, the Children and Young People's Service have submitted a bid to build a new Special School for children and young people with Social, Emotional and mental Health Needs on the former Northallerton School site.

Catterick Area – In order to deploy two rapid Strike brigades from Catterick, the British Army planned to increase military personnel by a further 3,500 which would generate a need for additional school places. However, the government's integrated review of defence and foreign policy cancelled 'STRIKE' and led to the proposed army reorganisation revealed in 'Future Soldier'. The reorganisation of the army will still involve significant moves of units in and out, but the reorganisation will now result in no significant net gain in personnel.

The current assessment is that no additional school place capacity is likely to be required in the period of the 'Future Soldier' reorganisation programme, but this will kept under review. While the impact from the military is less than anticipated, there remains a demand for school places generated by additional housing in the Local Plan.

Catterick Garrison is the main area of projected housing growth in the Richmondshire Local Plan. Over 300 service family houses have received planning approval and the Richmondshire Local Plan proposes significant open market housing, making the provision of school places a key issue for the County Council.

There is still some uncertainty about the timing of the proposed service family and open market housing and, therefore, about the timing of the future demand for school places. However, a new academy, known as Cambrai, has opened under phased and gradual growth to avoid destabilising existing local primary schools. Cambrai is currently a one form entry (1FE) school, but has the potential to increase to 2FE.

 Stokesley Area – The appended figures illustrate how both the primary and the secondary school in Stokesley have surplus spaces. Therefore, the housing developments proposed for Stokesley in the Hambleton Local Plan are not forecast to generate a shortfall of spaces in either school.

The closure of two schools along the Stokelsey corridor has eroded some of the surplus spaces in the outer, more rural, areas. However, despite the consequent enlargement of catchment areas, there are still generally high surplus places in those remaining primary schools sitting along the corridor running from the centre out towards Northallerton.

- Swaledale Area A falling birth rate, the availability and affordability of housing and employment factors have all caused the fall in numbers in many schools in Swaledale. The demographic trend in Swaledale's outer rural areas led to the closure of Arkengarthdale Primary School. However, schools such as Middleton Tyas have relatively high numbers on roll and the proposed housing on Gatherley Road will have an impact on Brompton on Swale Primary School. The projected growth in schools in Swaledale's inner areas contrasts with declining pupil numbers in its rural outer areas.
- Wensleydale Area The general picture across the constituency of projected growth in the urban areas is not true of Wensleydale. Even in Leyburn, the Wensleydale School and Sixth Form has high surplus places. This school is currently considering suspending its sixth form for a combination of reasons. Across the whole school system in Wensleydale there is projected to be an increasing and significant surplus of secondary and primary spaces going forward. This area of the constituency is characterised by small primary schools serving sparsely populated and even supersparsely populated very extensive areas. The catchment area for Wensleydale School and Sixth Form covers an area, which in a city would be populated by perhaps c.80 schools, yet has half the pupils of a single urban secondary. Wensleydale's geography, combined with its low pupil numbers, has led to financial and organisational challenges for these schools affected.
- Bedale Area Bedale High School has surplus spaces and therefore can absorb the
  anticipated pupil yield from the Local Plan. On the other hand, three additional
  classrooms have been constructed at Bedale Primary, through a combination of basic
  need funding and Section 106 developer contributions, as a response to Local Plan
  housing.

# 9.0 Recommendation

9.1 That the Richmond Area Constituency Committee note the report on educational factors across the constituency area.

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Appendix 1 - School Place Planning data

APPENDIX 1

Planning Areas and forecast surplus/shortfall school places

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	Projected Pupils from current housing permissions until 2026/2027	Forecast Surplus capacity 2026/27
420	224	244	70	200	46	66
420	331	341	79	306	40	00
963	622	624	339	624	37	302
1383	953	965	418	932	83	368
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1401	1031	1004	397	939	78	364
818	657	707	111	599	65	154
2219	1688	1711	508	1538	143	518
1347	1209	1243	104	1197	43	108
813	613	598	215	531	135	148
2160	1822	1841	319	1728	178	256
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Stokesley Primary Area Stokesley Primary	399	268	210	189	222	49	128
Stokesley Primary Outer Area Bilsdale Midcable Chop Gate CE Carlton & Faceby CE VA Hutton Rudby Ingleby Greenhow CE VA Kirkby & Great Broughton CE VA Marwood CE VC Infant Roseberry Academy	835	715	723	112	676	33	126
Total	1234	983	933	301	898	82	254
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Swaledale Primary Brompton-on-Swale CE Primary Middleton Tyas CE Richmond Methodist St Mary's RC Primary Trinity Academy Richmond	1196	1026	916	280	813	31	353
Swaledale Primary Outer Area Barton CE Primary Croft CE Primary Eppleby Forcett CE Gunnerside Methodist Melsonby Methodist North & South Cowton CP Ravensworth CE Primary Reeth CP	630	370	414	216	362	48	220
Total	1826	1396	1330	496	1175	79	573
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Thirsk Outer Area Pickhill CE Primary and 7 schools outside the constituency area	912	850	850	62	759	49	104
Wensleydale Primary						_	
Leyburn Primary	210	189	169	41	162	9	39
Wensleydale Primary Outer Area Askrigg VC Primary Bainbridge CE Primary & Nursery Hawes Primary Middleham CE Primary Spennithorne CE Primary West Burton CE	375	254	191	184	170	28	177
Total	585	443	360	225	332	37	216
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SECONDARY							
Bedale Bedale High School	935	541	503	432	613	49	273
Catterick Risedale Sports and Community College	925	480	576	349	709	101	115
Northallerton Northallerton School & Sixth Form	1124	1103	1075	49	1162	92	-130

Stokesley Stokesley School	1269	1171	1129	140	1063	43	135
Swaledale Richmond School St Francis Xavier School	2210	1853	1908	302	1888	40	282
Wensleydale The Wensleydale School & 6 <sup>th</sup> Form	492	393	333	159	314	25	153

# Note

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

Richmond ACC Work Programme 2022-23					
Monday 6 June 2022 @ 2pm					
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.				
Membership of Area Constituency Committee	To determine whether Co-opted Members will be appointed to the Committee and, if so, on what basis.				
Appointments to Outside Bodies	To appoint representatives to various Outside Bodies which fall within the remit of the Area Constituency Committee				
Data Profile for Richmond (Yorks) Area Constituency Committee	To consider the data profile of the Constituency Area with a view to identifying issues for inclusion in the future work programme				
North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service - Risk and Resource Model 2022-25 Consultation	To consider the details of the consultation.				
North Northallerton Infrastructure and Development project	An update report will be provided on this issue				
Work Programme	To consider the Committee's Work Programme				
Monday 5th September 2022 @ 10am					
Development of the Catterick Integrated Care Campus	Verbal update on the development of the CICC from Lisa Pope - CCG Deputy Director of Primary Care, Community Services and Integration (CICC programme lead)				
Yorkshire Dales National Park Update	Verbal update on Yorkshire Dales National Park emerging Local Plan - Peter Stockton, Head of Sustainable Development				

North Northallerton Infrastructure and Development project	Project Update to be provided - James Kennedy
Work Programme	To consider the Committee's Work Programme
Wednesday 23 November 2022 @ 10am	
Emergency Plans	Update on the Emergency Plans in place across the Constituency area – Joe Rushbrook, Resilience & Emergency Officer
YorBus Pilot Update	Digital Demand Responsive Bus Service – Andy Clarke, Integrated Passenger Transport
North Northallerton Bridge Update	From James Kennedy
Schools Educational Achievement & Finance	Annual Update - Andrew Dixon, Strategic Planning Manager, Education & Skills & colleagues
Work Programme	To consider the Committee's Work Programme
Wednesday 22 March 2023 @ 10am	
Winter Gritting Programme 2022/23	To discuss the Winter Gritting Programme and priorities – Nigel Smith
Local Flood Risk Strategy 2022-27	Update on the implementation of the new Strategy
Yorkshire Ambulance Service	Update on response times
Work Programme	To consider the Committee's Work Programme
Issues identified for future work program	me
Supported Living	Update on implementation of review

Local Flood Risk Strategy 2022-27	Update on implementation of Strategy to follow on the contribution of the Flood Working Group
Lorry Driver parking	Follow up to consider how issue is being addressed following earlier consideration
Friary and Friarage Hospitals	To consider updates on these facilities.
Provision of a Northallerton Relief Road	To consider any progress on the provision of a Relief Road.
Safety on the Constituency Area's roads	A Joint report by Highways and Public Health to consider data relating to incidents that have occurred on the Constituency Area's roads and the work being carried out to address these.
Mental Health	A report on how mental health issues are being addressed in the area.
Delayed Transfers of Care	Further review of work by Health and Social Care to reduce Delayed Transfers of Care following consultation – linked to the Care and Independence Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Small Schools	Review of educational outcomes at small schools – linked to the Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Healthy Child Programme	An update on the position regarding the Healthy Child Programme following the end of the current contract and the development of a new provision.
Health Issues relating to e-cigarettes	To consider further national guidance in relation to health concerns in relation to the use of e-cigarettes

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