

- Meeting:** Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee
- Members:** Councillors Phillip Barrett, Barbara Brodigan, Andy Brown, Nick Brown, Felicity Cunliffe-Lister, Richard Foster (Chairman), Robert Heseltine, Nathan Hull, David Ireton, Andrew Murday, Simon Myers, David Noland, Andy Solloway (Vice-Chair), David Staveley, Andrew Williams and Robert Windass.
- Date:** Thursday, 14th December, 2023
- Time:** 10.00 am
- Venue:** Belle Vue Suite, Belle Vue Square, 1 Broughton Road, Skipton, BD23 1FJ

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### **Agenda**

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 September 2023** (Pages 3 - 12)
- 3. Declarations of Interest**  
All Members are invited to declare at this point any interests they have in items appearing on this agenda, including the nature of those interests.
- 4. Public Participation**  
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meeting. Each speaker should limit themselves to 3 minutes on any item. Members of the public who have given notice will be invited to speak:-

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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.

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5. **Update from RT Hon Julian Smith MP**
6. **Updates from Youth Councils** (Pages 13 - 16)
7. **Northern Powergrid** (Pages 17 - 26)
8. **Airedale NHS Foundation Trust: A new hospital for Airedale** (Pages 27 - 30)
9. **Local Care Home Intelligence Report** (Pages 31 - 34)
10. **Appointments to Outside Bodies** (Pages 35 - 38)
11. **Appointments to Committees** (Pages 39 - 40)
12. **Committee Work Programme** (Pages 41 - 44)
13. **Any Other Items**  
Any other items which the Chair agrees should be considered as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances.
14. **Date of Next Meeting**  
Informal Budget Consultation: 11.00am, Tuesday 16 January 2024.

Formal ACC Meeting: 10.00am, Thursday 7 March 2024.

**Members are reminded that in order to expedite business at the meeting and enable Officers to adapt their presentations to address areas causing difficulty, they are encouraged to contact Officers prior to the meeting with questions on technical issues in reports.**

Barry Khan  
Assistant Chief Executive  
(Legal and Democratic Services)

County Hall  
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6 December 2023

## North Yorkshire Council

### Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023, commencing at 10.00am.

Councillor Richard Foster in the Chair and Councillors Philip Barrett, Barbara Brodigan, Andy Brown, Nick Brown, Felicity Cunliffe-Lister, Robert Heseltine, David Ireton, Andrew Murday, David Noland, Andy Solloway, David Staveley and Andrew Williams.

Officers present: Alice Fox, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager; Daniel Harry, Head of Democratic Services; Chloe Thwaites, Youth Voice Creative Engagement Officer; Matthew Robinson, Head of Resilience and Emergencies; Lee Brayford, Resilience and Emergencies Officer; Liz Meade, Stronger Communities Delivery Manager.

In attendance: Councillors Carl Les and George Jabbour; James Neill, Chair of Skipton Youth Council; Tim Myatt, Head of Corporate Affairs at Yorkshire Water; Rt Hon Julian Smith MP; Olivia King and Kerri Rose, IDAS.

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#### **Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book**

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The Chair informed the Committee that Item 6: Verbal update from RT Hon Julian Smith MP would be heard after Item 9: Area Constituency Committees and their role in Community Resilience. Items 10 (Independent Domestic Abuse Service) and 11 (Update on Community Networks) also changed places on the agenda.

#### **68 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillors Nathan Hull and Simon Myers.

#### **69 Minutes of the Meeting held on 1 June 2023**

Considered –

The minutes of the meeting of the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee held on 1 June 2023.

#### **Resolved –**

- (a) That the Minutes of the meeting of the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee held on 1 June 2023, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### **70 Declarations of Interest**

There were none.

## **71 Public Questions or Statements**

There were none.

## **72 Updates from the Previous Meeting**

The updates were received.

## **73 Update from the Youth Council**

Considered –

A written and verbal update by James Neill, Chair of Skipton Youth Council (SYC). Also in attendance was Chloe Thwaites, Youth Voice and Creative Engagement Officer, North Yorkshire Council (NYC).

The update and subsequent discussion are summarised below:

- SYC was established just before the first Covid lockdown.
- SYC is leading the 'Keep Skipton Tidy' campaign which is looking to raise awareness through posters, leaflets and presenting to schools and youth organisations. A litter picking competition has been planned where raffle tickets will be rewarded to school students and attendees of youth organisations.
- The results of SYC's 'Youth Opportunities Survey' show that: young people are often unaware of clubs and activities that are available to them; that whilst most young people feel safe in the area, many would like more safe spaces; that stopping anti-social behaviour and littering will help young people to feel safer; and that vaping is a major issue in Skipton.
- A campaign against underage vaping has started that focuses on raising awareness of the dangers of vaping, the laws surrounding vaping and the environmental impact that disposable vapes have. A petition to restrict the accessibility of vapes will be worked on at future SYC meetings. It was reported that NYC was also working to stop underage vaping.
- At the North Yorkshire Youth Cabinet AGM in July, it was decided to incorporate York and change the name to the Youth Assembly for York and North Yorkshire.
- Members were reminded that they may wish to attend Youth Council meetings and that they should contact Chloe if they wish to start the process of setting up a Youth Council near them. Chloe is unable to facilitate the groups but can support Members and young people in helping to set Youth Councils up. She will visit schools to promote the Youth Council elections in November.
- All those present agreed that one Skipton and Ripon Youth Council would be too large, but that more local Youth Councils should be established and that these should work with each other. Utilising platforms such as MS Teams would allow young people to engage with their local Youth Council. The challenges in getting high levels of participation in Youth Councils were acknowledged.

- Members proposed that other Youth Councils from the Skipton and Ripon Constituency be invited to present to the ACC. Members also reiterated that young people can always approach their division Member.

Resolved –

- a) That the local Youth Councils be invited to the 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024 ACC meeting.
- b) That a quarterly report from the local Youth Councils be submitted at the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023 ACC meeting.

## **74 Discussion with Yorkshire Water**

Considered – A presentation and verbal update from Tim Myatt, Head of Corporate Affairs at Yorkshire Water (YW).

Tim Myatt, introduced himself and informed Members that they should go through him if they have any issues so that YW can address any concerns. A presentation was shown, with the key points being summarised below:

- In 2022, there were 2118 storm overflows from YW facilities, the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest of any water company. The overflow issues are exacerbated by the local geography. Tim Myatt informed Members that monitoring has improved significantly over the last few years, and therefore overflows aren't necessarily increasing as drastically as it seems. In the Skipton and Ripon Constituency, discharges fell from 4263 in 2021 to 3649 in 2022, partly due to dry weather and water droughts.
- A 'live' map will be in operation by the end of the year which will show all overflows and discharges.
- Tim Myatt explained YW's investment programme in depth (see PowerPoint slides), showing Members where investment was most likely to come and explaining that over £530 million was to be invested to improve treated effluent discharge between 2021-25. The aim is to reduce average discharges by at least 20% by 2025 (based on the 2021 figures). Tim Myatt also explained YW's investment programme post-2025, showing that long-term aims are in place and that YW is working to solve current issues as well as future-proof its infrastructure.
- Members highlighted that sewerage releases were not always in periods of wet weather and Tim Myatt informed Members that wet weather is the primary reason for discharge, not the only reason.
- It was highlighted that surface runoff, especially off tarmac, is a main reason for spillages, not lack of storage, and that YW's investment programme would reflect this. It was recommended that YW inform their customers how they can reduce surface runoff.
- Members were informed that YW consults with the Environment Agency and land owners regarding river health and farming activities.

- Members highlighted that extra homes were being built in the Skipton and Ripon area, but better YW infrastructure was not being witnessed. Members asked that YW continue to comment on planning applications where developments may increase stress on YW infrastructure. Tim Myatt reported that comments on planning applications are based on the history of the area and YW's Drainage Water Management Plan. The Environmental Agency are responsible for commenting if there is a danger of increased runoff water. YW is not a statutory consultee on planning applications, but Members and Tim Myatt felt that this should change.
- Tim Myatt told Members that after the meeting he would share information on the incidents of sewerage spillage within the area. He reported that there were roughly 600 spillages in the last 5 years. Members stressed that they are contacted by residents about sewerage in the streets and rivers.
- Members queried whether YW's investment plan takes into account the local plans of local councils and national parks. They were concerned that whilst some areas may not be currently producing high numbers of discharges, this could change when more houses are built. Tim Myatt confirmed that YW did consult with those responsible for designing local plans and will consult again as local plans change. He confirmed that that he would take this back to his colleagues.
- Members highlighted that some of the problems had been caused by underinvestment in the past and they asked that YW has a closer relationship with their customers, providing honest answers and reacting to feedback. It was raised that residents shouldn't have to pay for YW's underinvestment. Tim Myatt explained that YW have an internal 10-year strategy focussing on building positive relationships with customers.
- Members asked what had been done since the water drought in 2022 and Tim Myatt informed them that YW was investigating the issue and investing in infrastructure.

Resolved –

- a) That Members should contact Tim Myatt in order to report specific concerns and incidents.
- b) That Tim Myatt will liaise with Councillor A Brown regarding sewerage discharges at Snaygill.
- c) That Tim Myatt will provide Councillor P Barrett with information on Yorkshire Water's planned investment for the Aire Valley Sewer.
- d) That Members and Yorkshire Water will lobby so that Yorkshire Water become a statutory consultee on planning applications.
- e) That Tim Myatt will circulate the data on sewerage spillages in the Skipton and Ripon area.
- f) That Tim Myatt will feed back how Yorkshire Water consider local plans and manage potential increases in discharges.
- g) That the presentation slides be circulated to Members.

Considered – A presentation and verbal update from Matthew Robinson, Head of Resilience and Emergencies, and Lee Brayford, Resilience and Emergencies Officer for the Skipton and Ripon area.

Matthew Robinson and Lee Brayford introduced themselves and their department. The discussion is summarised below:

- Members were informed that they should go to Matthew or Lee if they have any concerns or if organisations need help putting emergency plans together. Annual updates to the ACC should be provided.
- Members should use their link with their communities and pass on advice and issues between residents and Officers. Members can assist in identifying those residents most at risk.
- Parishes, with the help of Officers and Members, should be putting together emergency plans. These plans may not fit political boundaries and should be mapped so that all areas are covered. Matthew is currently assessing which emergency plans are still valid and can provide profiles to Members.
- Members raised concerns about the more rural areas, especially if they were to lose telephone signal and broadband during an emergency. Officers agreed that rural areas need increased support, and emphasised the importance of creating communication links, potentially through one location, that can withstand emergencies. Matthew explained that they are developing a resilience plan which is addressing this issue, but they are currently unable to reach all communities.

Resolved –

- a) That Members and Officers assist to create close links with local communities.
- b) That Matthew Robinson circulates a list of the valid emergency plans to Members.
- c) That annual update reports come to the ACC.

## **76 Verbal update from RT Hon Julian Smith MP**

Considered –

A verbal update from the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP, provided remotely using MS Teams.

The Chair invited the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP to provide an update on his areas of work, concerns and priorities before there was a discussion with Members. The key points are as summarised below:

- Mr Smith confirmed that Members had seen the responses to the queries made at the last meeting and then highlighted key local issues which included: updates on the Airedale Hospital rebuild and the opening of an NHS diagnostic centre in Ripon; the consultation on train ticket offices closing; the funding given to North

Yorkshire Council (NYC) for housing projects and farmers sustainability grants; and updates on buildings with Reinforce Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC).

- Members raised concerns over RAAC and Mr Smith informed them that one school in Scarborough was impacted and that government departments are investigating other public buildings. Members agreed with Mr Smith that the work on Airedale Hospital should be implemented as soon as possible considering the building has RAAC and some were concerned that the rebuild had no strict deadlines. Members also discussed the emergency plans that Airedale has in place.
- Members raised that Yorkshire Water had informed the ACC that they would welcome becoming statutory consultees on planning applications and that this legislation can only be altered at a national level. Mr Smith asked the ACC to write to him regarding this.
- Members asked Mr Smith if the Kex Gill development would see an overspend and it was reported that there is no indication that more money will be required.
- The issue surrounding poor connectivity in rural areas was raised and Mr Smith informed Members that he would chase his previous query.
- Members were informed that there were schemes in place to help those struggling to pay their bills, including those that use oil.
- Members informed Mr Smith of a number of communities that were looking to introduce ways of collecting renewable energy but were restricted by the local network capacity and difficulties in selling the power to make money. Mr Smith asked that Members contact him with specific examples of this so that he could take it further.

Members thanked the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP for attending the meeting.

Resolved –

- a) That the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP be invited to the next Skipton and Ripon ACC meeting.
- b) That Members and the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP continue to push to have Airedale Hospital rebuilt as soon as possible.
- c) That Members write to the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP about Yorkshire Water becoming a statutory consultee on planning applications.
- d) That the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP will chase his previous query on poor connectivity in rural areas.
- e) That Members send details of communities that are struggling to get renewable energy implemented to the Rt Hon Julian Smith MP.

## **77 Update on Community Networks**

Councillor Brodigan provided an update which is summarised below:



- Members are to lead on these networks, but Officers are able to assist when required or appropriate. Members should suggest ideas, steer discussion and be the elected authority.
- These can be structured geographically or thematically. If geographically, boundaries can be amended at any point. The networks should be mapped so that residents know who they can go to. Each pilot will evolve differently, responding to the specific characteristics and requirements of the area. Some Members were concerned that these networks may not work in every part of NYC.
- The networks should not replace Parish Councils but work with them.
- The networks will be stronger if they have fiscal power, but currently they do not.
- Each network may require somebody that is ultimately responsible for decisions and organising discussions.

Resolved –

- a) That further updates are provided where appropriate.

## **78 Independent Domestic Abuse Service**

Considered – A presentation from Olivia King, Domestic Abuse Practitioner in Harrogate and Craven, and Kerri Rose, DAWFA Worker.

Olivia King and Kerri Rose introduced themselves and outlined the role of IDAS. The below is a summary of the discussion:

- IDAS provide emotional and practical support across North Yorkshire and other areas. In 2022 there were 93 referrals in Ripon and 164 in Skipton. Whilst these figures don't include the more rural areas, domestic abuse still occurs, and IDAS are looking at how they can provide additional support and promote their work. Those that are older or lack phone and broadband connectivity are at serious risk.
- The organisation's Board of Trustees, Survivors Advisory Board and service users influence how IDAS operates and feed into funding applications.
- IDAS is attempting to reach out to schools and other organisations in the area and Members may be able to assist with providing contacts. Healthcare is a specific area of interest for IDAS. Foundation and Staying Put are two other organisations that work in the area and IDAS work closely with the CAB.
- IDAS aims to increase the offices, refuges, disperse flats and safe accommodation in the area as whilst there are some dispersed flats in Ripon, the nearest refuge is in Harrogate. Members may be able to provide IDAS with contacts or help to find volunteers that can offer a room in their home as short respite.

- IDAS do not work directly with NYC but have links in the housing department that help to ensure people are safe in their own home or can move to alternative accommodation. Olivia and Kerri were unaware of any NYC funding.
- Members and residents can go to the police, IDAS, Foundation and Staying Put if they know someone who is at risk. Members said that they can circulate contact information to their Parish and Town Councils.

Resolved –

- a) That Members will assist IDAS in creating links with organisations in their area.
- b) That contact details be shared with Members to circulate to parishes and town councils.

## **79 Appointments to Outside Bodies**

Considered –

A report by David Smith, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Officer, inviting the Committee to make appointments, on behalf of the Council, to various outside bodies.

The following changes to the report were made:

- The Chair and Vice Chair to sit on the Parishes Liaison Group. Members were keen that this group continue to meet.
- Councillor Staveley to sit on the Settle Freight Quality Partnership.
- Councillor Myers to sit on the Settle Area Swimming Pool Committee.
- Councillor Ireton to sit on the Heysham Power Station Local Liaison Council.
- Councillor Myers to sit on the Hospital of James Knowles Trust.
- Councillor Murday to sit on the Pateley Bridge Quarry, Greenhow - Board of Trustees.
- Councillor N Brown to sit on the Mazars Yorkshire and Humber Governance Forum for Members.
- Councillor Noland to sit on the Settle/Carlisle Railway Development Company.
- Councillor Hull to sit on the Prince Henry's Grammar School, Otley.

Resolved –

- a) That the appointments above and in the report are approved.

## **80 Appointments to Internal Drainage Boards**

Considered –

A report by Christine Phillipson, Principal Democratic Services and Scrutiny Officer, inviting the Committee to make appointments, on behalf of the Council, to vacant Internal Drainage Board positions.

Resolved –

- a) That the appointments in the report are approved.
- b) That Members are to propose nominations as they become apparent.

## **81 Reports for Information**

This report was noted.

## **82 Committee Work Programme**

Considered -

A report by David Smith, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Officer, inviting Members to consider, amend and add to the Committee's work programme.

Members made the following amendments to the work programme:

- Members asked to receive more regular updates on economic development projects ongoing within the area.
- Members asked that the Northern Powergrid item in December looks into how the grid can be extended more generally, not just focussing on electric vehicles.

## **83 Any Other Items**

Councillor B Brodigan informed the Committee that the Ripon Military Heritage Trust is concerned about the preservation of military items on the site of the proposed development of Claro and Deverell Barracks and the adjoining Laver Banks training area. The Trust would like these to be re-located and on display to the public. However, there are issues with the developers.

Resolved –

- a) Councillors B Brodigan and A Williams to raise this with Councillor S Myers.
- b) Councillor B Brodigan to send information on this to Daniel Harry, Head of Democratic Services.

## **84 Date of Next Meeting**

Thursday, 14 December 2023 at 10.00am.

The meeting concluded at 2.05pm.

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## North Yorkshire Council

### Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee

14<sup>th</sup> December 2023

#### Updates from Youth Councils

##### **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 For the youth councils in the constituency to update Members on their work and concerns.

##### **2.0 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Members have agreed to receive updates from the youth councils in the constituency, providing an opportunity for members of the Area Constituency Committee and the youth councils to raise any concerns and provide updates on the work that is being carried out.
- 2.2 There are three youth councils in the constituency: Nidderdale Youth Council, Ripon Youth Council and Skipton Youth Council.

##### **3.0 UPDATES FROM YOUTH COUNCILS**

- 3.1 The Chair of Nidderdale Youth Council, Jessie Lamb, will provide a verbal update to Members.
- 3.2 Ripon Youth Council is not fully operational and so an update has not been provided. An invite will be extended for them to attend the 7 March 2024 meeting.
- 3.3 The Chair of Skipton Youth Council, James Neill, has provided Members with a written update, found at Appendix A.

##### **4.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 4.1 Members could suggest that alternative arrangements are made for providing these updates.
- 4.2 Members could suggest that the Area Constituency Committee no longer receives updates from the youth councils.

##### **5.0 IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 There are no equalities, finance, legal or climate change implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

##### **6.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 6.1 The updates are just for information and discussion.

##### **7.0 RECOMMENDATION**

- i) That the updates are noted.

**APPENDICES:**

Appendix A – Skipton Youth Council Updates.

Report Author – David Smith, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Officer.

Anti-Vaping campaign:

We are in the process of writing a petition to restrict attractive packaging and flavours of vapes. We have chosen to do this as, whilst it is illegal for under 18s to vape, many still do. By removing some of the appeal that vaping has for young people we hope that they will not start vaping in the first place, reinforcing the fact that vapes are a tool to help people stop smoking and not just for fun.

We have designed three posters to promote the petition, which we will take to the local and regional media, as well as youth groups and councils country wide to get as many votes as possible.

James (Chair) has had an interview on BBC Radio York about the youth council's stance on vaping and what is included in the campaign.

It has been suggested within the group that we hold awareness campaigns in schools to raise awareness about the dangers and laws surrounding vaping. NYC staff are currently working on getting appropriate resources to roll out to schools, so it is a possibility that we trial run that. It has also been suggested that we work with Trading Standards as well.

We will be holding a review session of this campaign in the first meeting back after Christmas so we can assess where we are at and how we will proceed.

Keep Skipton Tidy:

The competition in schools and youth groups (encouraging litter picking) is now set up, we are just waiting for our launch date in the February holidays to spread the message.

We have started to storyboard our video raising awareness about the impact of littering.

We did conduct a review of this campaign last month and it has raised several important points about the future direction of this campaign (e.g. It was suggested instead of just reacting to the littering that was taking place via litterpicks, we could be more proactive - contacting businesses and trying to reduce the production/usage of plastic in the first place). We will be doing a mind mapping activity in our first meeting back after Christmas to fully explore our ideas.

Safe space for young people + climbing wall:

Several youth councillors wanted Sandylands to build a climbing wall. As this is happening anyway we will discuss how we want to proceed in a future meeting.

### Meetings with Harrogate and Nidderdale YC leadership:

We have held two meetings with HYC and one with NYC leadership to discuss where we are at and attempt to coordinate fundraising efforts. As the Youth Assembly meetings are now going ahead we need to decide if the meetings will continue.

### Misc:

- We have done voice recording for NYC and various different surveys (e.g. Let's Talk Money).
- We have done lots of consultation work, most recently with NYC about sustainability and green projects that could be launched in Skipton.
- Two of our youth councillors have been shortlisted to be an MYP candidate for West North Yorkshire.
- We had representatives at the Youth Convention in Huddersfield University.
- We took part in UK Parliament Week.

In our next meeting we will be holding a by-election for the Vice Chair position and (possibly) a secretary.





# Northern Powergrid

## Enabling regional decarbonisation

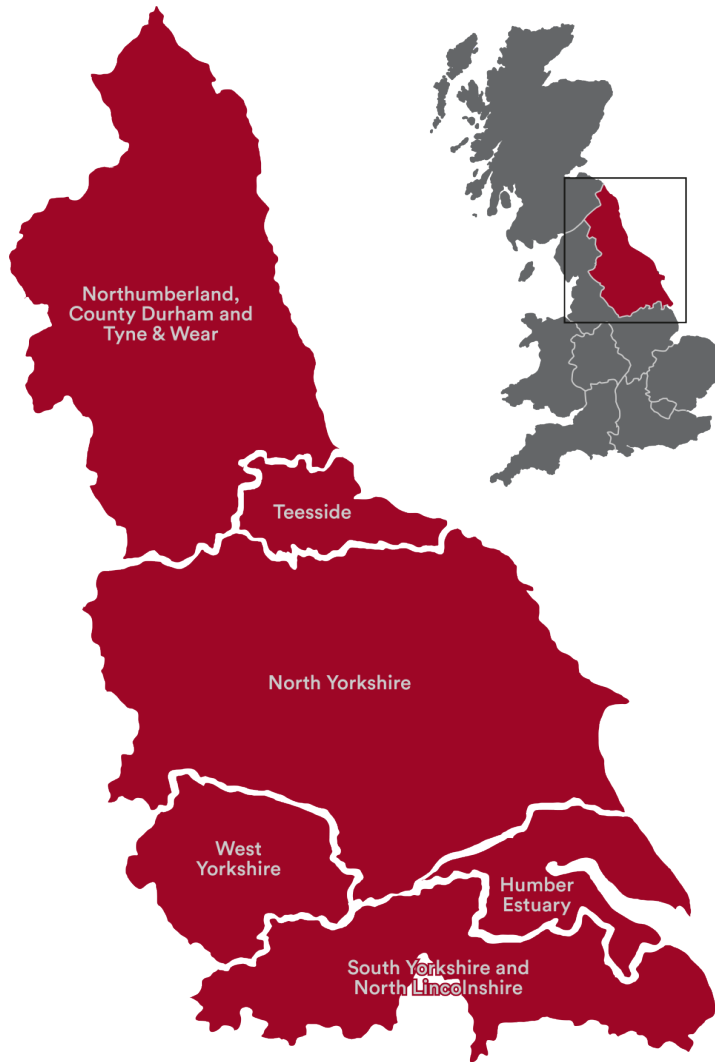
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Local System Planning Engineer

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# Northern Powergrid

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- Northern Powergrid is responsible for the **electricity distribution network** in the North East, Yorkshire and northern Lincolnshire.
- We **move** electricity from where it's generated to homes and businesses.
- We are the enabler of a **net zero** society.
- **We are a regulated utility business** and therefore, we plan ahead of time in business plan cycles.
- We are in the first year of our new business plan period where we are **delivering around £3bn of investment** (2023 to 2028 – Electricity Distribution 2, ED2)

# What we do for our customers

- Facilitate growth and decarbonisation
- Plan for and invest in a safe and reliable network
- Provide connections to the network

Support vulnerable customers and communities

Minimise our impact on the cost of living and doing business in our region

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# Providing Connections: Growth and Decarbonisation across our region

- We treat all applicants equally
  - We will make a connection offer to anyone that applies for a connection to our network
  - The connection queue does not favour any type of applicant over another
  - Government policy influences technology uptakes, we are technology agnostic
- We are speeding up and reducing the cost of some customer connections
  - Time limited curtailable connections can allow connection before completion of necessary reinforcement works
  - Flexible connection agreements can avoid reinforcement requirements where appropriate, and when customers want one

# Decarbonisation: Meeting the challenge

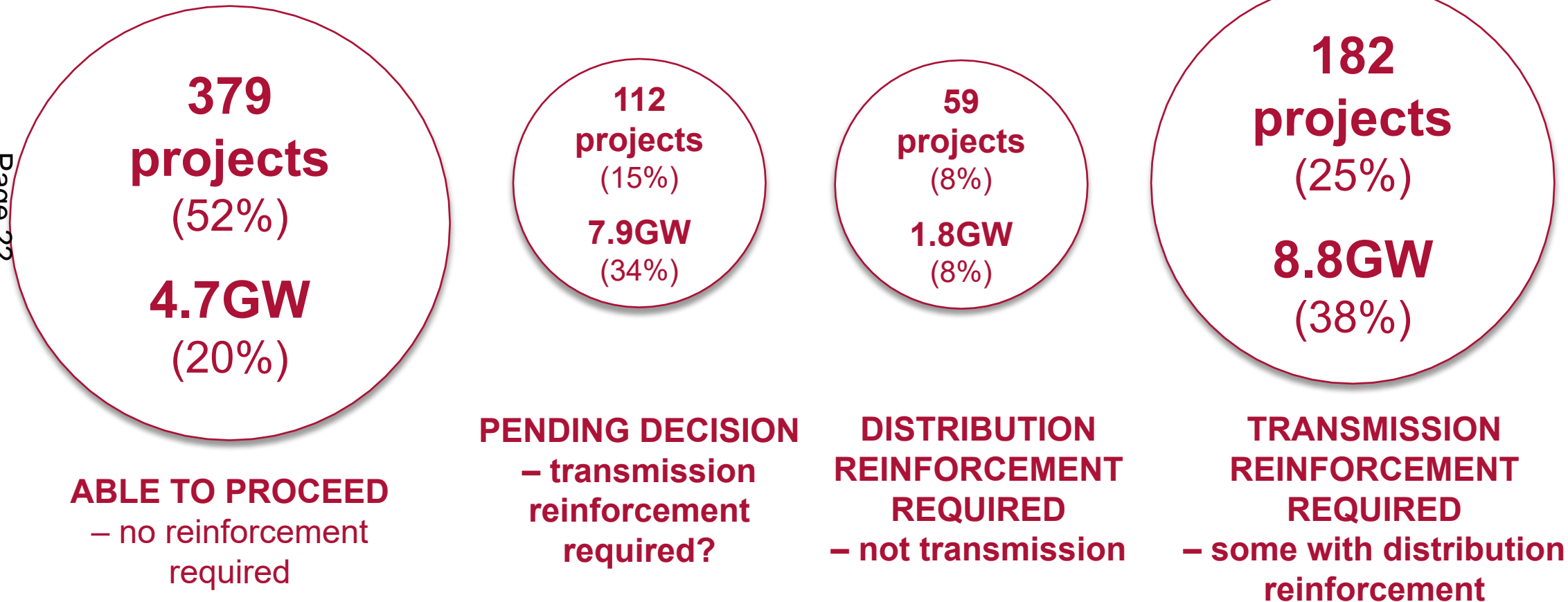
- Flexibility – customers paid to turn up or down
- Community Distribution System Operator project – innovation with customer groups at the local level
- Revising design assumptions – using observation to get more out of existing network
- Low Voltage monitoring and external data – providing visibility
- Network reinforcement and expansion – investing where needed
- Work closely with Local Authorities and other stakeholders coordinating low carbon technology roll outs - a collaborative approach

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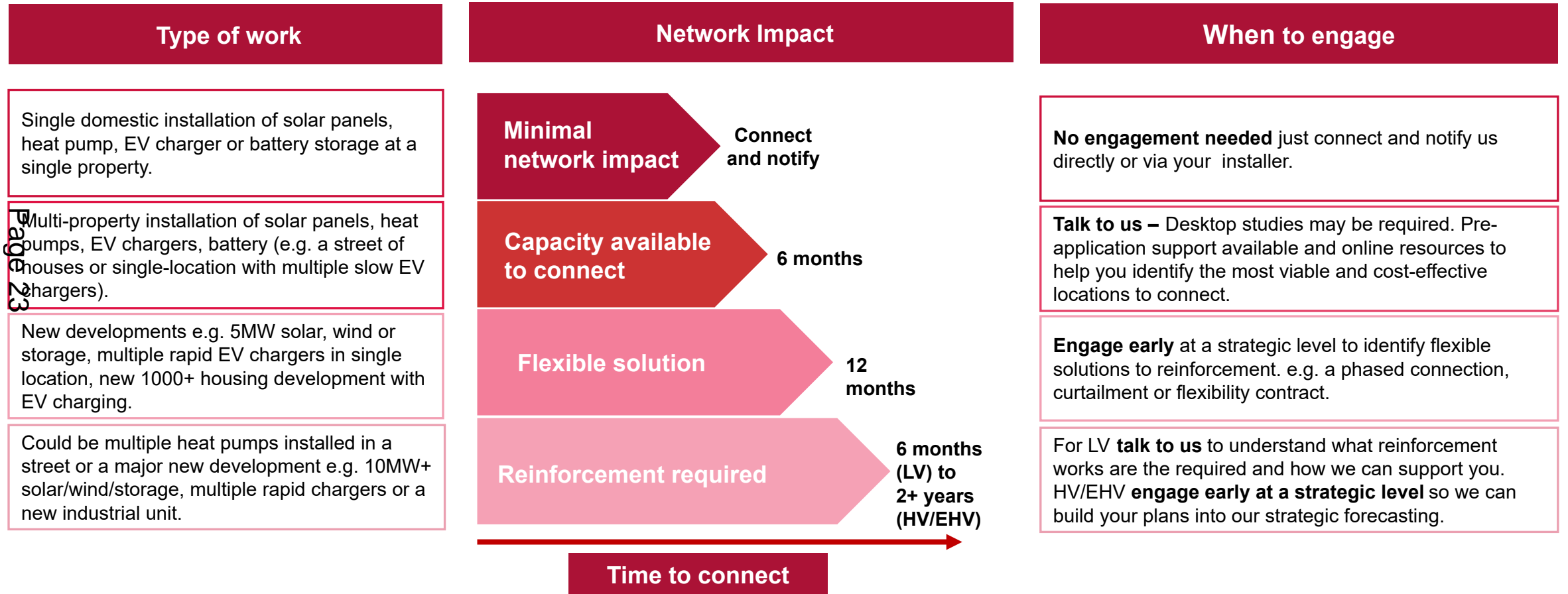


# Providing Connections: Majority of customers able to connect without the need for reinforcement – 52% of all projects

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# Providing Connections: Timescales



# Providing Connection: Costs to connect

- Our prices are regulated by Ofgem and are required to be reflective of real cost
- Competition in connections: independent connection providers and independent distribution network operators

## Connections charges

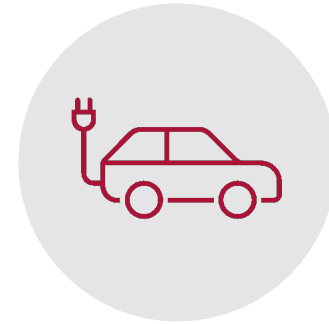
- Single use assets: connectee pays
- Reinforcement costs: reduced under April 2023 connection charging reforms





# Working with Local Authorities

- Supporting publicly funded decarbonisation schemes including:
  - Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure
  - Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund
  - Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme
- Local Area Energy Systems Team
  - Local Authority Portal
  - Collecting local intelligence on future network needs
  - Informing forecasts and network intervention decisions
  - Supporting Local Area Energy Planning
  - Providing education and support in using our network data



# Thank you

## Airedale NHS Foundation Trust: A new hospital for Airedale

Update for the Skipton and Ripon Area Committee

Meeting date: Thursday 14 December 2024

### Background

- Airedale NHS Foundation Trust received news on 25 May 2023 that it had secured a place on the Government's New Hospital Programme.
- The scheme will enable the Trust to fully eradicate reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) from Airedale General Hospital by replacing it with a new hospital by 2030.
- The current hospital is one of seven hospitals that are constructed almost entirely of RAAC: all seven are on the New Hospital Programme to be replaced.
- Airedale General Hospital has more RAAC than any other hospital. It is the only one to have been constructed with RAAC floors, and the only hospital to have identified deficiencies in the main structural frame of the building which has made it more complex to find ways to manage the RAAC in situ.
- A RAAC programme has been in place since 2020/21 with the aim of installing a range of structural supports across the hospital to maintain safety and service delivery until a new hospital is constructed.
- There are 20,000 load-bearing RAAC planks, from which around 30% are already showing signs of damage and deterioration leading to roof leaks, mould, and dust. A further 30,000 planks can be found in the walls and these are being treated with a waterproofing coating to slow their rate of deterioration.
- There are a small number of non-RAAC buildings including a modular inpatient facility which contains an ICU and a 30-bedded ward, a small office block, some operating theatres and the A&E and Acute Assessment Unit (AAU).
- Airedale General Hospital sits on a plot of approximately 43 acres of land in Steeton, near Silsden. It serves a diverse population from across parts of West Yorkshire, North Yorkshire and East Lancashire.

## Current situation

- Since the announcement in May, the Trust has been working with the New Hospital Programme to “onboard” to the programme. This has involved sharing its Strategic Outline Case which was published in summer 2020, and further information relating to the development of early plans for the new hospital.
- A programme team is being mobilised to take forward the planning of the new hospital and recruitment is underway for a Programme Director and other key roles.
- In the meantime, the Trust has an in-house programme team which has been successfully delivering its RAAC programme since 2021 and has been leading the “onboarding” process with some additional external expertise that has been funded through the New Hospital Programme.
- The New Hospital Programme follows HM Treasury’s business case process which requires trusts to complete a Strategic Outline Case, followed by an Outline Business Case and then a Full Business Case prior to the construction of a new hospital.
- The Trust is currently refreshing its Strategic Outline Case, which provides the case of need for a new hospital, as well as a high level “masterplan” showing the proposed size and scale, and location options for the new hospital.
- The development of this business case will take approximately six months and a number of key projects have already commenced. These include:

<b>Capacity and demand modelling</b>	What services will be needed in future based on what we know now, and future population and health predictions
<b>Clinical strategy</b>	How will care transform over the next 15 years and beyond to become as efficient and effective as possible.
<b>Digital strategy</b>	How will technology influence the way buildings and services are run including Smart Buildings, automated vehicles and clinical systems.
<b>Surveys</b>	A wide range of biodiversity surveys (bats, trees, etc) and ground investigations to gain a clear picture of the site.
<b>Enabling works</b>	The key projects that are needed to ‘unlock’ space and prepare the site for construction.
<b>Developing our vision</b>	Seeking the views of patients, families and local communities on the things that matter to them and their vision for a new hospital.

## Developing our vision

- A survey was launched in September at the Trust's Annual Members' Meeting to begin the conversation with patients, carers, families and communities about the plans for a new hospital.
- These plans are at a very formative stage and so engagement to date has been focused on ensuring that as many people as possible have been able to give their views.
- 450 members of the public and 215 staff have responded to the survey to date. The results will be analysed during December and themes identified to take forward into the development of the Strategic Outline Case.
- In addition to the survey, the Trust has been working with Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership and Here for BD&C Communities (voluntary sector organisation) to engage locally with communities served by the hospital.
- There have also been a number of workshops with clinical and operational leads to consider how the new hospital could be organised internally and which services should be co-located.
- As part of our wider role in our Bradford District and Craven place there is ongoing engagement with our partners in health and social care about both our structural/RAAC issues and the vision for the new hospital.
- Recruitment is underway for a Senior Engagement Manager and a Senior Communications Manager to take forward the programme's Communications, Engagement and Equality Strategy, which will ensure that there are fair and frequent opportunities for users of the hospital, local residents and staff to be involved in the future development of plans.
- The Strategy will include more structure engagement with scrutiny boards, area committees, MPs and councillors including regular briefings, engagement sessions and attendance at meetings.

## Enabling works

- An Enabling Works Project has commenced, and a design team has been appointed to take forward the planning of this project. It includes an architect, planning consultant, mechanical electrical and public health (MEP) specialist and civils and structural engineers.

- The design team will review the surveys and ground investigations and create a Development Control Plan (DCP) which describes the sequencing of works, interdependencies between each project, the planning requirements, and any constraints of the current locations that would need to be addressed.
- Considerations for enabling works include increasing the energy infrastructure and energy supply to the site, car parking, safe access and ingress including for construction traffic, any demolition requirements and whether any decant facilities would be needed.
- Once the project is complete, the Trust will have a much clearer picture of what enabling works are needed, how long they would take to deliver and when work would begin and conclude.

### Next steps

- The Trust continues to manage its current RAAC situation and has fully structurally supported three wards, with two currently under construction. A further 16 wards and departments are having partial works to tackle pockets of areas where the RAAC is more badly affected. Work has already been undertaken in areas including the hydrotherapy pool, physiotherapy, outpatients and some office spaces.
- This rolling programme will continue into next year with another four ward areas undergoing extensive structural works and a further 10-15 having target work completed.
- The Trust will continue with its work to complete the refreshed Strategic Outline Case, site masterplan and development control plan in the spring and submit this to the New Hospital Programme whilst beginning to progress the next phase of the design and business case process.
- Further information is available on our website at [www.airedale-trust.nhs.uk/about-us/securing-the-future-of-airedale](http://www.airedale-trust.nhs.uk/about-us/securing-the-future-of-airedale)

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## North Yorkshire Council

### Skipton & Ripon ACC 14th December

#### Local Care Home Intelligence Report

#### Report of the Corporate Director

##### **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To provide local intelligence of care homes within the Skipton and Ripon constituency, in response to a request from Skipton and Ripon ACC

##### **2.0 BACKGROUND**

2.1 This paper sets out the following information in response to a request from Skipton and Ripon ACC:

- Current capacity of care homes in Skipton and Ripon ACC
- Information on any future closures
- Relevant local issues, concerns or future plans around care home redevelopment.

##### **3.0 DETAILED PRESENTATION OF THE SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE**

###### **3.1 Craven Locality**

Within the Craven locality we have 18 care homes providing the full range of care specialisms. These care homes have 630 registered beds with NYC currently commissioning 178 beds. The Council placements are a mix of permanent and short stay placements.

3.2 There are 2 care homes that accept the Actual Cost of Care (ACOC) in the Craven locality. As a result the majority of placements being made by NYC in Craven are above ACOC. ACOC is a term used in the context of residential and nursing services for people over 65 years. It refers to the actual costs a care provider incurs in delivering care at the point in time that the exercise is undertaken. It is typically presented as a unit cost for a bed per week in a care home.

3.3 Providers accepting the ACOC rate are prioritised through the Council's Brokerage Process. For residential and nursing care services where ACOC does not apply (services delivered to people 18-64), providers are required to submit a weekly rate for delivery of the direct care hours set out by ACOC within their service(s). The average weekly cost of the 178 Council commissioned beds is £1,254.88.

3.4 Of the 18 care homes, 15 have a rating of Good by The Care Quality Commission (CQC) and 3 have a rating of Requires Improvement. CQC is the national regulator of Social Care in England. CQC register and inspect care services including those provided by care homes.

3.5 We are not aware of any care homes with financial sustainability concerns in the Craven Locality.

3.6 We have seen 1 care home closure and 1 closure pending replacement in the last year:

- Neville House in Gargrave - NYC owned – people moved to Ashfield EPH, NYC owned. A Executive Members report was submitted in June 23 covering the work to support the development of the care market and care services in the Craven area and meeting the emerging and changing needs of the locality. The link to the report is available at Appendix A.
- Public consultation has recently concluded on the development of a new Extra Care Housing scheme in Gargrave on a Council owned site at Eshton Road. This feedback is being analysed and will inform future recommendations for the development of Extra Care.
- Thornton Hill - Anchor Group owned - closed with a new build, The Mill Care in Skipton which opened in July 2023. All people were moved to the new care home. Thornton Hill was a 45 bed residential and dementia home. The Mill is 86 beds offering residential and dementia care.

3.7 There are no concerns about further care home closures, and no intelligence about any new schemes providers are considering. NYC Quality teams are not currently providing support to any care homes in Craven. At the current time Health and Adult Services have not supported any care homes via the sustainability policy.

### 3.8 **Ripon Locality**

Within the Ripon locality we have 10 care homes providing the full range of care specialisms. These care homes have 362 registered beds with NYC currently commissioning 136 beds. The Council placements are a mix of permanent and short stay placements.

3.9 There is 1 care home that accepts the Actual Cost of Care (ACOC) in the Ripon locality. As a result, the majority of placements being made by NYC in Ripon are above ACOC. ACOC is a term used in the context of residential and nursing services for people over 65 years. It refers to the actual costs a care provider incurs in delivering care at the point in time that the exercise is undertaken. It is typically presented as a unit cost for a bed per week in a care home.

3.10 Providers accepting the ACOC rate are prioritised through the Council's Brokerage Process. For residential and nursing care services where ACOC does not apply (services delivered to people 18-64), providers are required to submit a weekly rate for delivery of the direct care hours set out by ACOC within their service(s). The average weekly cost of the 136 Council commissioned beds is £1,296.21.

3.11 Of the 10 care homes, 8 have a rating of Good by The Care Quality Commission (CQC) and 2 have a rating of Requires Improvement. CQC is the national regulator of Social Care in England. CQC register and inspect care services including those provided by care homes.

3.12 We are not aware of any care homes with sustainability concerns in the Ripon Locality.

3.13 We have seen 0 care home closures in the last year in the Ripon locality.

3.14 No concerns about any future care home closures, and no intelligence about any new schemes providers are considering. NYC Quality teams are not currently providing support to any care homes in Ripon area. At the current time Health and Adult Services have not supported any care homes via the sustainability policy.

3.15 All care homes included in have been accepted onto Health and Adult Services (HAS) Approved Provider List.

## 4.0 **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**



4.1 Not applicable – information only

## **5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Not applicable – information only

## **6.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 Not applicable – information only

## **7.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 No negative impact

## **8.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATION**

8.1 Not applicable

## **9.0 PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 All approved providers are subject to regular Quality and Performance checks by the Quality and Service Continuity team.

9.2 All providers must be registered with the Care Quality Commission (CQC). CQC is the national regulator of Social Care in England. CQC register and inspect care services including those provided by care homes.

## **10.0 CONCLUSIONS**

10.1 The information in this report reflects the position on 01/12/23. We continue to see increasing costs in relation to the placements being made in all care homes, however, in the Craven and Ripon localities these increases are lower than other areas. The Quality of the care homes in these localities continues to be good, with no concerns currently identified by NYC or CQC. We have enough vacancies in the care homes to meet current demand.

## **11.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

11.1 There are no recommendations – request for information.

## **12.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)**

i) N/A

ii) N/A

### **APPENDICES:**

Appendix A: Developing care services in the Craven area Executive Report – June 23.  
<https://edemocracy.northyorks.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1147&MId=6709&Ver=4>

### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**

Capacity Tracker NHS website

NYC - Data Dashboard – Open Bed  
NYC – Care Home Bed Vacancies 2023-24 (Craven)  
NYC – Care Home Bed Vacancies 2023-24 (HARA)  
NYC – Controcc database  
NYC – Quality and Market Support Meeting

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*5<sup>th</sup> December 2023*

Report Author – Steven Crutchley  
Presenter of Report – *Steven Crutchley, Strategic Service Development Manager*

Note: Members are invited to contact the author in advance of the meeting with any detailed queries or questions.

***PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT IF ANY REPORTS / APPENDICES INCLUDE SIGNATURES THESE MUST BE REMOVED / DELETED PRIOR TO SENDING REPORTS / APPENDICES TO DEMOCRATIC SERVICES. Appendices should include an Equality Impact Assessment and a Climate Impact Assessment where appropriate***

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## North Yorkshire Council

### Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee

14<sup>th</sup> December 2023

#### Appointments to Outside Bodies

##### **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To invite the Area Constituency Committee to make appointments, on behalf of the Council, to the Gouthwaite Reservoir Board of Management.

##### **2.0 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The Council's Constitution identifies various outside bodies to which this Area Constituency Committee is responsible for making appointments to, on behalf of the Council. This Area Constituency Committee appoints to several Category 2 outside bodies.
- 2.2 Category 2 outside bodies typically operate across the geographic area of more than one Electoral Division. The Constitution states, with regard to Category 2 outside bodies, that:-
- those appointed should be Councillors;
  - some Officer briefing or other support may be provided;
  - any report back will be to the Area Constituency Committee (which may report to the Executive on it, if appropriate); and
  - expenses will be paid to Councillors unless they are payable by the body appointed to.
- 2.3 At the ACC meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023, appointments to these Category 2 outside bodies were approved. Since then, it has been confirmed that there are an additional two appointments to approve, as seen in red at Appendix A.
- 2.4 Parish Councillor Stanley Lumley and Mr David Gotto were appointed to this outside body by Harrogate Borough Council and have been sitting on it since.

##### **3.0 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

- 3.1 Members appointed by the Area Constituency Committee to the outside bodies listed in Appendix A, when acting on behalf of those other organisations, are covered by the Council's Indemnity Policy for Officers and Members.

##### **4.0 TERM OF APPOINTMENTS**

- 4.1 Past practice has been to appoint representatives to outside bodies to serve until the date of the subsequent Council elections.
- 4.2 In accordance with 4.1, it is recommended below that the appointments now made to Category 2 outside bodies should be "to serve until the Council elections in 2027".

##### **5.0 NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT PROCESS**

5.1 At today's meeting of the Area Constituency Committee, Members will be invited to approve, by a show of hands, the two nominations highlighted in Appendix A.

## **6.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

6.1 Members may choose not to approve the nominations highlighted in Appendix A. New nominations could be suggested or the appointments could be left vacant.

## **7.0 IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 There are no equalities, finance, legal or climate change implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

## **8.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 Councillor Stanley Lumley and Mr David Gotto were appointed to this outside body by Harrogate Borough Council and have been sitting on it since.

## **9.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)**

i) That the appointments to Gouthwaite Reservoir Board of Management highlighted in Appendix A are approved, with those appointed to represent the Council on that outside body until the Council elections in 2027.

### **APPENDICES:**

Appendix A – Table of Appointments for Category 2 Outside Bodies

### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**

North Yorkshire Council Constitution. [Constitution](#)

6 December 2023

David Smith, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Officer

## 2. LOCAL BODIES (appointments by Area Constituency Committees)

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

Skipton & Ripon	No of seats	
Friends of Craven Museum	1	Cllr Simon Myers
Forest of Bowland AONB Joint Advisory Committee	1 + Sub	Cllr Simon Myers Sub: Cllr David Ireton
Gouthwaite Reservoir Board of Management	3	Cllr Andrew Murday Mr David Gotto Parish Cllr Stanley Lumley
Greatwood and Horse Close Estate Committee	2	Cllr Robert Heseltine Cllr Andy Solloway
Heysham Power Station Local Liaison Council	1	Cllr David Ireton
Hospital of James Knowles Trust	1	Cllr Simon Myers
Leeds-Morecambe Community Rail Partnership	1	Cllr Andrew Murday
Mazars Yorkshire and Humber Governance Forum for Members	1	Cllr Nick Brown
Nidderdale AONB Joint Advisory Committee	3 + Subs	Cllr Felicity Cunliffe-Lister Cllr Andrew Murday Cllr Nathan Hull Sub: Vacancy – S Lumley previously Sub.
Parishes Liaisons Group	TBC	Chair and Vice-Chair of the ACC (Cllr Richard Foster and Andy Solloway)
Pateley Bridge Quarry, Greenhow - Board of Trustees	1	Cllr Andrew Murday
Safer Craven Local Delivery Team	1	Cllr A Solloway
Settle Area Swimming Pool Committee	1	Cllr Simon Myers
Settle Freight Quality Partnership	1	Cllr David Staveley
Settle Victoria Hall Trustees	1	Cllr Simon Myers
Settle/Carlisle Railway Development Company	1	Cllr David Noland
Yorkshire Housing Group - Craven Area Committee	1	Cllr Robert Heseltine

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## North Yorkshire Council

### Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee

14 December 2023

### Appointments to Committees

#### Report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Legal and Democratic Services

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To enable appointments to be made to the Development Plan Committee.

#### 2.0 DEVELOPMENT PLAN COMMITTEE

- 2.1 At the meeting of the Council on 15 November 2023, it was resolved to adopt the Proposed Amendments to the Council Constitution as at item 8 on the agenda - [Agenda for Full Council on Wednesday, 15th November, 2023, 10.30 am | North Yorkshire Council](#). The report included the recommendation for the constitution of a Development Plan Committee.
- 2.2 The role of the committee is to act as the main sounding board for the preparation of the Local Plan/Development Plan Documents, except Neighbourhood Plans. Development Plan Committees are widely used, with one for a plan area, by other local planning authorities and is considered best practice.
- 2.3 Now that the Development Plan Committee has been constituted, we need to appoint to the committee. The process for the appointment to the committee is that 3 nominations are sought from each of the Area Constituency Committees and then a 'top-up' of additional appointments is then used, where necessary, to ensure that the Development Plan Committee is politically balanced.
- 2.4 In making the nominations to the Development Plan Committee, members may wish to have regard to the political balance of their respective Area Constituency Committees. This will assist in ensuring that the overall political balance is achieved for the Development Plan Committee without having to resort to significant numbers of subsequent 'top up' appointments. It is important to note, however, that it is at the discretion of the committee as to the nominations that they wish to make.
- 2.5 The political balance for each Area Constituency Committee based upon 3 nominations to the Development Plan Committee, is as below:

ACC	Councillors in ACC	Proportionality based on the political make-up of the ACC (3 councillors)
Richmond (Yorks)	16	3 Conservative and Independents
Thirsk and Malton	15	2 Conservative and Independents and 1 NY Independent/Liberal Democrat and Liberal
Skipton and Ripon	15	2 Conservative and Independents and 1 Liberal Democrat and Liberal
Harrogate and Knaresborough	13	1 Conservative and Independents and 2 Liberal Democrat and Liberal
Scarborough and Whitby	15	1 Conservative and Independents, 1 Labour and 1 NY Independent/Unaffiliated
Selby and Ainsty	16	1 Conservative and Independents, 1 Labour and 1 NY Independent

### 3.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 There are no equalities, finance, legal or climate change implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

### 4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 That the Area Constituency Committee nominates 3 members to the Development Plan Committee.

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21 November 2023

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**Background Documents:**

The Constitution of the Council – [NYCConstitutionVersion2May2023.pdf \(northyorks.gov.uk\)](#)

Agenda and reports to the meeting of Council on 15 November 2023 (agenda item 8) - [Agenda for Full Council on Wednesday, 15th November, 2023, 10.30 am | North Yorkshire Council](#)

**Note:** Members are invited to contact the author in advance of the meeting with any detailed queries or questions.



## Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee

### Work Programme

#### 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency
Youth Council	An opportunity for a member of the Youth Council to engage with the committee on key issues for young people in the area.
Yorkshire Water	To receive responses to the pre-submitted Member questions and discuss Yorkshire Water's investment plan.
Area Constituency Committees and their role in Community Resilience	A presentation from the Head of Resilience and Emergencies, NYC.
Independent Domestic Abuse Services	A presentation from IDAS on the work that they do in the area and how Members can be involved.
Update on Community Networks	An update on how the Ripon pilot and the other community networks will work.
Appointments to Outside Bodies	To approve the ACC's appointments to outside bodies.
Appointments to Internal Drainage Boards	To approve the ACC's appointments to Internal Drainage Boards.

#### 25 September 2023 – private session held in person

Economic Development	An update on ongoing projects, a consultation on the ACC £50k fund, and an opportunity for Members to suggest projects to be added to the pipeline.
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#### 18 October 2023 – private session held by MS Teams

Let's Talk Climate	An update on the Let's Talk Climate consultation and an opportunity for Members to give their views of the results.
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<b>13 November 2023 – private session held by MS Teams</b>	
Skipton Transforming Cities Fund	An update on the Skipton Station Gateway project and an opportunity for Members to give their views.
Let's Talk Transport	An update on the Let's Talk Transport consultation and an opportunity for Members to give their view on the results and the Local Transport Plan.
<b>14 December 2023</b>	
Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency.
Youth Councils	An opportunity for the local Youth Councils to raise their concerns with Members.
Northern Powergrid	To discuss with Northern Powergrid the issues regarding peak time electricity use (incl. EVs) and their future investment plans for the Skipton and Ripon area.
Airedale Hospital	A progress update on the development of the new Airedale Hospital and a discussion on Councillor's future involvement with the project.
Care Homes	An update on the situation of care homes in the Skipton and Ripon area. To include updates on capacity, future closures and any concerns that are arising.
Appointments to Outside Bodies	To ratify two appointments to Outside Bodies.
Appointments to the Development Plan Committee	To make appointments to the Development Plan Committee.
<b>16 January 2024 – private session held remotely by MS Teams</b>	
Budget Consultation – Private Briefing	An opportunity for committee members to review the annual council budget and its implications for the area covered by the committee.
<b>7 March 2024</b>	
Committee discussion with local MP	An opportunity for committee members to discuss issues of key concern in the constituency.
Youth Councils	An opportunity for the local youth councils to raise their concerns with Members.

Annual Education Report	Annual Education Report looking at the educational landscape in the Skipton and Ripon area and the challenges that schools in the area are facing.
Local Nature Recovery Strategy Report	A report on the Local Nature Recovery Strategy.
<b>Late March 2024 – private session</b>	
Economic Development Session	To provide an update on how ongoing projects are progressing and discuss Members' ideas from 25 September 2023 session, showing them Officers' proposals.

### Suggested items:

- Climate Change and the environment - Annual update on progress with the Council's Carbon Reduction Plan
- Rural Commission - Update on the progress with the implementation of the report recommendations
- Housing market – Affordable housing for first time buyers and for people renting
- Place Shaping Workshop
- Update report on the number of cases heard at Skipton Magistrates Court
- Modality and GP Access
- National Park Local Plan
- Digital Demand Responsive Bus Service: Lessons Learned Report
- Culture – Review of the updated North Yorkshire Cultural Framework

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