



**Meeting:** Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee

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

**Date:** Friday, 22nd September, 2023

**Time:** 10.00 am

**Venue:** James Cook Theatre, The Coliseum Centre, Victoria Place, Whitby, YO21 1EZ

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## AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 June 2023** (Pages 3 - 10)

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. **Feedback from previous meetings**

5. **Public Participation**

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- at this point in the meeting if their questions/statements relate to matters which are not otherwise on the Agenda (subject to an overall time limit of 30 minutes);

- 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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- 6. Attendance of MP Rt Hon Sir Robert Goodwill**
- 7. Community Resilience and Emergency Planning**  
Presentation by Matthew Robinson, Head of Resilience and Emergencies
- 8. Verbal update on Scarborough Hospital performance**
- 9. Stronger Communities Update** (Pages 11 - 20)
- 10. Appointments to Outside Bodies** (Pages 21 - 26)
- 11. Scarborough & Whitby Area Constituency Committee Work Programme 2023/24** (Pages 27 - 32)
- 12. Any Other Items**  
Any other items which the Leader agrees should be considered as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances
- 13. Date of Next Meeting**  
Friday 1 December 2023
- 14. Reports circulated for information only** (Pages 33 - 40)

**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.**

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14 September 2023

## North Yorkshire Council

### Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday, 9th June, 2023 commencing at 10.30 am.

Councillor Liz Colling in the Chair plus Councillors Derek Bastiman, Eric Broadbent, David Chance, David Jeffels, Janet Jefferson, Rich Maw, Clive Pearson, Heather Phillips, Tony Randerson, John Ritchie, Subash Sharma, Roberta Swiers, Phil Trumper and Neil Swannick.

In attendance: Councillor George Jabbour.

Officers present: Will Baines, Christian Brennan, Lily Hamilton, Nic Harne, St John Harris, Dr Gill Kelly, Emma Lonsdale, Alex Richards.

Other Attendees: Claire Campbell and Claire Barrow (both from the Environment Agency)

Apologies: None

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

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#### **14 Election of a Chair**

St John Harris, Democratic Services for North Yorkshire Council welcomed everyone to the meeting, and confirmed that as it was the first meeting of the committee in 2023-24, the first item of business would be the election of a Chair.

There were two nominations for the position of Chair of the committee - Councillors Liz Colling and Clive Pearson. Votes were taken and on a show of hands Councillor Liz Colling was elected as Chair of the committee for the ensuing municipal year.

#### **Resolved –**

That Councillor Liz Colling be appointed Chair of the committee for the ensuing municipal year.

#### **15 Minutes of the Meeting held on 24 March 2023**

#### **Resolved –**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 24 March 2023, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

#### **16 Election of a Vice-Chair**

The Chair, Councillor Colling invited nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the committee for 2023-24.

There were two nominations: Councillors Janet Jefferson and Clive Pearson. Votes were taken and on a show of hands Councillor Janet Jefferson was elected as Vice-Chair of the committee for the ensuing municipal year.

## **Resolved –**

That Councillor Janet Jefferson be appointed Vice-Chair of the committee for the ensuing municipal year.

## **17 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

## **18 Declarations of Interest**

Councillors Derek Bastiman and David Chance each declared an interest in agenda item 10 (Development of former Indoor Swimming Pool site, Scarborough) as each was an Executive member who would be a future decision maker on the proposals in the report. Each recused himself from the debate and determination of this item.

Councillor Janet Jefferson declared an interest in agenda item 11 (Area Constituency Committees in the new North Yorkshire Council) since one of the committee's delegated powers was to consult with Chambers of Commerce. Councillor Jefferson was President of Scarborough Chamber of Trade and Commerce.

Councillor John Ritchie declared an interest in agenda item 10 (Development of former Indoor Swimming Pool site, Scarborough).

## **19 Public Participation**

Since all three of the following questions concerned Item 9, Environment Agency – bathing water quality update, they were presented at the start of item 9. The answers to the questions were then covered in the presentation by the Environment Agency.

### **Guy Smith**

It is difficult to comprehend that Scarborough established itself as Britain's oldest seaside resort and people travelled to it to take the Spa water and bathe in the south bay for medicinal purposes and we have such adverse publicity to our tourist industry today.

Several years ago the Scarborough Borough Council Cabinet member for environmental issues identified a number of factors allegedly contributing to the poor water quality. He was interviewed on Yorkshire Coast radio and clearly identified these to be litter, seabird fouling, dog fouling and donkey fouling. It was subsequently noted that the Environment Agency laboratory had received samples of donkey faeces from the donkey sanctuary in Devon and no traces whatsoever, were found in the South Bay water. No retraction was ever given by him. Following this, a few years ago, I recall laboratory technicians were taking half hour test samples every day from 1 May to 30 September. I believe they were commissioned to do this by the Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water. Their van was parked daily behind the lifeboat house on West Pier. Please can you tell me if the information retrieved from their investigations made any observations and conclusions, as I cannot remember seeing any subsequent reference to their findings. Please could you also clarify what effect the weather has on results.

I run a surf hire and lesson business from the Spa on South Bay. I've been made redundant because of the current issue with water quality and the red/ no flags state of the bay and haven't been able to work since the 6th May. Why have you not made Yorkshire Water accountable for their repeated failures? Microbial spot testing of bacteria found in the bay proved the source was the industrial waste. Your own data has proven that South Bay will never achieve a good status whilst this persists. How can a licence be given to an outfall pipe that was known to be a source of test positive bacteria? This was a wholly avoidable situation. I've spoken about this with the council, the EA and Yorkshire Water on numerous occasions over the years and they are fully aware of the problems. Mike Cockerill, who was a Scarborough Borough Councillor involved with water quality was as exasperated as I am. He acknowledged that the Council had no direct responsibility for the bathing water quality but supported the work of the agencies who did have responsibility, primarily the Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water, and lamented that the good working relationship between the Council and these agencies had seen a decline.

### **Jean Spink**

How regularly are the Environment Agency sampling the water quality at South Bay Beach and does this sampling cover testing for anti-microbial/ antibiotic resistant bacteria?

## **20 Proposal to change the start time of future committee meetings from 10.30am to 10am**

The Chair introduced this proposal to align the start time of this Area Constituency Committee with others across North Yorkshire and to ensure that by commencing earlier, the committee did not affect councillors' afternoon engagements. Members discussed the proposal agreeing an amendment that the venue of future meetings alternate between Scarborough and Whitby. Councillor Randerson expressed his extreme disappointment that there was no Hearing Induction Loop at this venue – a matter which would be rectified at future venues.

**Resolved** – That future meetings of the committee commence at 10.00am and that the venue of the meeting alternate between Scarborough and Whitby.

## **21 North Yorkshire 0-19 Healthy Child Service**

Considered – a presentation by Dr Gill Kelly, Public Health Consultant, and Emma Lonsdale, Head of Public Health, Children and Families, about the work of the Healthy Child 0-19 Service and local provision in the Scarborough and Whitby constituency. The presentation centred on the four pillars of the newly modelled Healthy Child Service launched in July 2021 and the work involved including local statistics in the delivery of each pillar: 0-6 years old (on which the service was most focused); safeguarding and children in care; emotional health and resilience; and infant feeding, family diet and nutrition. Reference was made to both successes such as the increase in antenatal contact in the constituency, and challenges such as efforts to promote take up locally of the Healthy Start Scheme which provided a nutritional safety net, and to promote the practice of breastfeeding, for example, through identification of breastfeeding-friendly venues.

Following the presentation, questions from members concerned:

- Support for children's mental health in the face of reduced resources and significant demand
- Suicide prevention work

- Support for children with autism
- Promotion of sport and physical activity to improve wellbeing
- Delivery of the 6-8 week review of new born children through both virtual and face to face contact and how the service reached the most deprived households
- The use of libraries as breastfeeding-friendly venues e.g. Selby
- The lack of provision of baby weighing clinics in Eastfield causing anxiety among parents
- Further explanation of the developmental screening ASQ – Communication Domain figures for Scarborough which were less than Whitby and less than the average for all areas
- The wait time for children to access services

In reply, members were advised that:

- Children’s mental health was a key area of concern in the service’s work. The service worked with schools, nurseries, families and the wider community to create a culture of positive mental wellbeing, for example through the My Happy Mind programme. However, the need for mental health support was vast and much work was underway to address capacity issues. For example, a second mental health support team had been designated for schools in the constituency area. Further research was also required to assess local need. Officers worked closely with other services as part of a coordinated approach in North Yorkshire to address suicide prevention through the monitoring and analysis of data around clusters and appropriate interventions.
- A new autism strategy for North Yorkshire was under development. Autism was just one example of neurodiversity which the service sought to address along with mental health needs in schools. The needs of each individual child were identified on diagnosis.
- A new pilot of social prescribing for children including sport and physical activity had been recently launched
- New birth visits were always face to face at which point a risk assessment would be made around the frequency and nature of future contacts – face to face or virtual. Face to face contacts would be made for digitally excluded households or those with poor wifi. Persistent efforts were made to contact households.
- The use of libraries was being encouraged not only for breastfeeding, but also as venues where mothers could meet to support each other, and as free vitamin distribution sites for the Healthy Start Scheme
- Certain myths surrounded baby weighing. Up to 6 months, a baby should not be weighed more than once a month, and more frequent visits may increase anxiety. Contact with other mothers and peer support was as important as baby weighing and a request to have one’s baby weighed could be made at a virtual or face to face meeting with the health visitor. The issue around baby weighing in Eastfield may well be a cultural one which needed to be addressed through better promotion of support available.

At the request of the Chair, the presenters agreed to provide more detailed responses to the committee on all these matters after the meeting.

**Resolved** – That the presentation be noted.

## **22 Environment Agency - Bathing Water Quality update**

Considered – A presentation by Claire Barrow, North Yorkshire Area Environment Manager, and Claire Campbell, Yorkshire Bathing Water Technical Lead at the Environment Agency (EA) providing an update on bathing water quality on the North Yorkshire coast.

Members were advised about the statutory framework in which the EA operated and the detailed investigations undertaken at Scarborough South Bay in 2016. In accordance with the Bathing Water Regulations 2013, the EA regularly tested during the bathing water season for two types of bacteria: E.coli and Intestinal Enterococci (not for antibiotic resistant bacteria). At Scarborough South Bay, one sample a week was taken at different times and different days of the week, and the results published based on a four year rolling average. The classification was currently poor. The EA also undertook daily pollution risk forecasts due to weather and other predictable factors since heavy downpours may cause more bacteria to be washed into the sea. The EA no longer provided pollution risk forecasts at Scarborough South; this stopped for 2022 as the model was very poor at predicting water quality issues at the site, which underlays the complexity of the issue. However, it did provide this service at Filey, Sandsend and Robin Hoods Bay on the North Yorkshire coast. The 2016 study found that the picture at Scarborough South Bay was complex with multiple sources of bacteria, including seabirds and humans, contributing to the poor water quality, but did not add much to EA's knowledge about the South Bay. Evidence of industrial effluent was only found 10-20% of the time and was difficult to quantify using the analysis techniques available, and pollution from livestock and donkeys was not an issue. The EA would undertake further detailed investigations of Scarborough South Bay in 2024, subject to availability of funding. This year these investigations were focused on Bridlington South Bay and the River Wharfe. Details were also provided of the EA's regulatory work in which water discharge activities and source groundwater activities were regulated with an environmental permit. A generic approach was adapted to the specific discharge, its location and receptors. The EA had a regulatory responsibility to assess compliance against the conditions in permits and to take appropriate enforcement action where they were breached. This action depended on the impact of the breach and any mitigation measures taken by the operator, in accordance with the EA Enforcement and Sanctions Policy. The overall bathing water quality in the region was improving with significant additional resources put into agricultural inspections and the EA now requiring water companies to monitor their storm overflows to capture information on how they were performing. The EA now published water companies' annual data on storm overflow spills on a yearly basis to hold the companies to account. These and other steps had significantly driven up monitoring and transparency from water companies in recent years.

Members then commented on the presentation and asked questions to which the EA provided replies. Below are the salient points:

- Profound concern at the poor bathing water quality of Scarborough South Bay and its effect on the reputation of the country's first seaside resort and the local visitor economy. The need for immediate action
- The suggestion of a connection between the effluent discharged from the Wheatcroft Long Sea Outfall and the poor bathing water quality in Scarborough South Bay. The acknowledgement that other sea outfalls in the area may also have an adverse effect on bathing water quality.
- The Wheatcroft Outfall has an application in the process and if approved, it would

meet the standards as described.

- The impact of the seabird population would be investigated along with the popularity of the beach/human impact in the study next year. Further factors requiring investigation were the impact of harbour structures and nearby coastal defence works. The EA should be consulted on any proposed coastal defence projects.
- Although pollution from agricultural sources was not an issue in the 2016 study, this could not be ruled out altogether in respect of Scarborough South Bay, and was certainly significant in other locations and led to the de-designation of Staithes as a bathing beach

Whilst the answers to the public questions were covered in the presentation, Steve Crawford put a supplementary question querying why the planned investigation of Scarborough South Bay could not be brought forward to this year. In reply, it was confirmed that the EA's resources and priorities determined the scheduling of the investigation.

Members agreed to adjourn the meeting to refine the wording of a motion originally proposed by Councillor Rich Maw which would then command the support of the committee. Upon the meeting's resumption, it was:

**Resolved –**

- (i) That the presentation be noted; and
- (ii) That this Area Constituency Committee commits to communicate our deep concern at the current situation regarding poor water quality in South Bay to all relevant agencies with a focus on accurately measuring the effluent from all sea outfall pipes at their source area across both North and South Bays. In addition, to request a formal response on how the coastal defence works have affected the currents in the Scarborough area.

## **23 Development of former Indoor Swimming Pool Site, Scarborough**

Considered – A presentation by Alex Richards, Economic Development and Regeneration Services on proposals to facilitate the development of the former Indoor Swimming Pool site, Scarborough. Members were advised that despite the withdrawal of the previous developer, there remained significant interest in the site for the purposes of high quality hotel development which would be intrinsic to realising the overall objectives of the North Bay Masterplan. It was proposed that to demonstrate best value for the council that the site be advertised via an open market competitive tender process to identify a development partner which would enable the council to meet its specific requirements.

Members welcomed this approach raising various questions which elicited the information below:

- Subject to member approval, the site would be put out to market at the end of the summer. Public consultation would be integral to development process
- North Bay Masterplan would feature strongly in the development specification
- Among other clientele, the hotel would be aimed at Open Air Theatre artistes and spectators
- Other development sites in the North Bay would be marketed in due course
- The former Scarborough Borough Council social value tools had been adopted by North Yorkshire Council. This may prolong the procurement process but for



optimum benefit

**Resolved** – That the presentation be noted.

## **24 Area Constituency Committees in the new North Yorkshire Council**

Considered – A report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) in respect of the next iteration of the new council's area constituency committees. Members were advised that the committees' terms of reference and ways of working had been developed following consultation with the ACC chairs and included new elements such as mid-cycle briefings and the ability to make recommendations to the Corporate Director of Community Development in respect of seed funding for local projects which as an example could aid economic development. Members commended the new approach.

**Resolved** – That the report be noted.

## **25 Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies**

Considered – A report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) which invited the committee to make appointments, on behalf of the council, to various outside bodies. Members were advised that the two outside bodies listed of British Destinations and British Ports Association had been re-categorised as executive appointments which would fall to the relevant Portfolio Holder, Councillor Derek Bastiman. Members queried whether Esk Valley Railway Development Company should have an additional council representative and whether Scarborough United Scholarships Foundation with the John Kendall Trust should have not a substitute but an additional representative (Councillor Roberta Swiers).

Resolved –

(i) That the following members be appointed to the outside bodies listed below:

North Bank Local Enterprise Partnership Cllr Derek Bastiman

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Coastal Forum Executive Committee Cllr Derek Bastiman  
Cllr David Chance

Raincliffe Woods Community Enterprise Cllr David Jeffels  
Cllr Heather Phillips

Scarborough & District Sports Council Cllr Rich Maw  
Cllr Heather Phillips

Scarborough & Ryedale Home Improvement Agency Cllr Liz Colling

The Scarborough Municipal Charity Cllr Eric Broadbent  
Cllr Janet Jefferson  
Cllr Rich Maw  
Cllr Subash Sharma

Whitby United Charities Cllr Clive Pearson  
Cllr Neil Swannick  
Cllr Phil Trumper

- (ii) That the committee defer its decision in respect of Esk Valley Railway Development Company and Scarborough United Scholarships Foundation with the John Kendall Trust pending the resolution of the committee's queries
- (iii) That the Category 3 appointments at Appendix B of the report be noted and endorsed
- (iv) That a review of outside bodies take place within the next 12 months.

## **26 Scarborough & Whitby Area Constituency Committee Work Programme 2023/24**

Considered -

The report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) asking Members to review the Work Programme, taking into account the outcome of discussions on previous agenda items and any other developments taking place across the area. Councillor Ritchie advised that following his proposal, the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee would commission a scrutiny review of SEND provision in the Scarborough and Whitby area which would report its findings back to the O&S committee and this committee later in the year.

The following matters were proposed for the work programme:

- Council review of public conveniences and how this affects the constituency area
- Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency profile report based on latest data and 2021 census
- Government proposals to address the proliferation of short-term holiday lets through registration and the planning system (for a mid-cycle briefing)
- Evaluation of POMOC scheme providing support to the Eastern European community in the constituency area (22 September 2023).
- Use of Social Value Engine tool

**Resolved** - That Democratic Services update the work programme to reflect the decisions made during the meeting.

## **27 Any Other Items**

There was no urgent business.

## **28 Date of Next Meeting**

Friday, 22 September 2023

The meeting concluded at 1.37 pm.

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL  
SCARBOROUGH AND WHITBY AREA CONSTITUENCY COMMITTEE  
22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023**

**Stronger Communities Update**

**1.0 Purpose of Report**

To provide Members with an update on the Stronger Communities Programme and an overview of progress made in the Scarborough and Whitby Constituency area.

**2.0 Background**

2.1 Throughout a period of significant change for local government in North Yorkshire, the core work of the Stronger Communities team has continued, with the start of the developmental journey of the Community Anchor Organisation (CAO) model, exploring how locally rooted organisations can support the health, wellbeing and prevention agenda, and wider community resilience in localities.

2.2 A number of new countywide and national initiatives have been launched over the past 18 months; the latter particularly focussing on alleviating the cost-of-living pressures being felt by families and residents on low incomes. Stronger Communities are leading on a number of these programmes and work in partnership with others within the Council and externally.

**3.0 Core Stronger Communities Programme Activity**

**3.1 Community Anchor Organisations**

As previously reported to Committee, in February 2023 as part of its established 'Achieve Together' Investment Programme, Stronger Communities opened a new opportunity to establish a Community Anchor model for North Yorkshire. Grants of £15,000 a year (for up to 3 years) were made available from April 2023 for place rooted organisations, based in principal service towns or centres, who are able to serve a wider hinterland. This investment supports the core aims of the wider Stronger Communities Programme which include:

- Prevention and reducing health inequalities.
- Community resilience.
- Social regeneration.

3.2 Following a competitive application and evaluation process, 23 place-based organisations from across the County progressed to the next stage of development work, which encompassed a collective assessment workshop (July 2023), and the subsequent development of organisational action plans which is on-going. For the ten localities where a suitable CAO has not been initially identified, development work will continue to explore the potential for a local voluntary sector organisation to become a CAO, or to look at alternative models.

3.3 In our larger urban areas, characterised by distinctive neighbourhoods, it was recognised that the model of a single place-based community anchor may not work; we are therefore working with local partners in Harrogate and Scarborough to understand what the optimal options for investing in Community Anchors are in those areas.

3.4 The funding currently being used to support this work is non-recurring and as such, the challenge is to develop financially sustainable options for CAOs in order for them to become more financially independent and resilient - and therefore less dependent on public sector grants – by identifying and establishing diverse income streams – which could include earned income through contracts and charging.

3.5 Community Partnerships

In May 2023, the Executive agreed to develop the ambition of supporting local partnership and multi-agency working through the establishment of local Community Partnerships, focussing on principal towns and surrounding areas, and reflecting natural communities. This will take a phased approach, with the Stronger Communities team commencing work in five pilot areas: Easingwold, Leyburn and Middleham, Ripon, Sherburn and Thornton-le-Dale and rural hinterland.

3.6 Inspire Grants

Stronger Communities has awarded £34,911 through the small, grass roots Inspire Grants supporting 38 groups and / or projects to date in 2023/24. This investment has allowed communities and small grass roots groups and organisations to **develop and deliver local events and activities in their communities**. **A geographical breakdown of the grants awarded is outlined below.**

District	No. of Grants	Total Value	% of total number	% of total spend
Craven	1	£629	2.6	1.8
Hambleton	2	£2,000	5.3	5.7
Harrogate	9	£8,495	23.7	24.3
Richmondshire	3	£2,500	10.5	7.2
Ryedale	4	£3,690	10.5	10.6
Scarborough	12	£11,781	31.6	33.7
Selby	5	£4,816	13.2	13.8
Countywide	1	£1,000	2.6	2.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34,911</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

3.7 A breakdown of grants awarded in the Scarborough and Whitby Constituency area is attached at **Appendix A**.

## 4.0 Wider Stronger Communities Programme Work

4.1 In addition to the core work of the Stronger Communities team; it is also leading on a number of countywide and national programmes.

4.2 The range of activities the team are leading on, or are contributing to, is broad and varied:

- Holiday Activities and Food Programme for free school meal eligible children (Department of Education funded)
- Household Support Fund - awards to low-income households (Department of Work and Pensions funded)
- North Yorkshire Local Assistance Fund (NYLAF)
- Homes for Ukraine Programme (Home Office)
- Wellbeing and Prevention investment – Stay Healthy, Independent and Connected
- Digital Inclusion (Reboot North Yorkshire)
- Cost of living support
- UK Shared Prosperity Fund – Communities & Place (UKSPF)
- Mental health programmes (NHS)

### 4.3 Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

The HAF programme – FEAST - continues to develop and improve its reach in all areas of North Yorkshire. The Holiday Activities and Food Coordinator has been working with North Yorkshire Together (NYT) partners, and colleagues in Children and Young People's Service (CYPS), Stronger Communities and Public Health to develop the programme further with a particular emphasis on providing a wraparound service for families.

In order to develop strong local delivery providers across the county, NYT are developing their training offer to ensure that children and young people can be well supported emotionally, as well as access a diverse range of activities. Topics that have been identified by providers in previous phases of delivery as potential areas that they would welcome additional support with include trauma-based practice and supporting those with special educational needs and disability, autism and neurodiversity.

Our programme leaders have also been reinforcing the importance of FEAST activities to schools and encouraging them to explore how they could be involved in hosting sessions, as well as promoting activities to their children and young people. Through the work that has been done with the Active Leaders programme via secondary schools it is also hoped to develop a young leader's pathway.

Easter's data was positive with 2200 eligible children and young people enjoying 6887 free activity sessions. In addition, 1173 of their peers also took part in these activities where paid for opportunities were offered. The Summer FEAST programme is currently running; initial indications are good with an increased number of providers, locations, and places on offer from previous delivery periods. Once delivery is complete and

providers have submitted their monitoring, the FEAST team will assess the data and general feedback to help inform and guide future phases of delivery.

#### 4.4 Household Support Fund

In the last 6 months, Stronger Communities has continued to lead the development and administration of the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) funded Household Support Fund, which aims to support those most in need or crisis with significantly rising living costs in 2023/24.

In line with the expenditure guidelines and the agreed eligibility framework and delivery plan, c22,500 households across North Yorkshire will receive a direct award in the form of a shopping voucher to support them over the autumn and winter months. This will encompass eligible families, pensioners and working age adult households, as well as those who missed out on other forms of national Cost of Living support. In addition to this, funding has been awarded to:

- North Yorkshire Local Assistance Fund (NYLAF), enabling the maximum number of awards for emergency food and utilities to remain at four over a 12-month rolling period.
- The provision of Energy Support which will be available from 1 September 2023 via North Yorkshire Citizens Advice and Law Centre.
- Food Support: 18 grants have been awarded to locally based free or low cost providers across the County.
- An HSF Exceptional Circumstances Fund will be delivered, to support those who may have missed out on support due to circumstances beyond their control throughout the time period the direct award is live.

HSF will be transitioned to Customer, Revenues and Benefits in 2023/24.

#### 4.5 North Yorkshire Local Assistance Fund (NYLAF)

Stronger Communities continue to administer NYLAF, an emergency fund that provides support for those deemed most vulnerable in the County, and who often, are in crisis.

Year to date, NYLAF has received 4,131 applications. 3,785 (92%) of which have been approved. Grant expenditure in total has been £503,559.27. (38% food / energy awards, 62% standard awards). 39% of applications this year have come from the Scarborough district, compared to 4% of applications received by the Richmondshire district. Historically, this trend has continued to highlight both Scarborough and Harrogate as the geographical areas with most demand on the scheme whilst Richmondshire and Craven place the least demand.

Mental health issues and homelessness account for the majority of reasons that people apply to the fund, accounting for 29% of all applications received. Last financial year, NYLAF received 13,229 applications. 91% of these applications were approved, with 20,032 individual items provided. Demand on the scheme in the last couple of years has been unprecedented and expenditure in 23/24 was over £1.4m.

NYLAF will be transitioned to Customer, Revenues and Benefits in 2023/24.

#### 4.6 Homes for Ukraine Programme

Officers from the Stronger Communities team continue to coordinate and lead the Homes for Ukraine Programme, supported by a number of dedicated posts within specialist services such as Living Well, Early Help and Adult Learning, to ensure support is provided with language development, employability and integration.

Although guest arrivals have dropped significantly in recent months, we have seen a rise in the number of single arrivals joining family members already in North Yorkshire. Between the 1st April and the end of June 2023, 49 additional Ukrainian guests arrived in North Yorkshire

Due to a grant award through the Local Authority Housing Fund, the Council has worked with Broadacres to acquire additional houses that are being offered to Ukrainian families in North Yorkshire at affordable rents. Those at greatest risk of homelessness have been prioritised in the allocations process. This overall increase in housing stock means reduced pressure on the private rental market, as well as providing families with a sustainable housing option.

A range of partnerships have also been developed with a number of voluntary and community organisations, with investment provided to support with the provision social events, activities, conversational language classes and integration opportunities.

#### 4.7 Well-being and Prevention – Stay Healthy, Independent & Connected

The Stay Healthy, Independent and Connected (SHIC) grants scheme was launched in late 2022, with new providers starting work in their localities on 1 April 2023. Stronger Communities continue to work with colleagues in Targeted Prevention (Health and Adult Services) to support the scheme and to explore synergies between SHIC and the various areas of work that Stronger Communities are involved in.

#### 4.8 Digital Inclusion

The team continue to promote the digital inclusion agenda within the authority and with our wider community partners. This includes the continued development of digital champions through our partners Digital Unite, building on the work with Citizen's Online prior to the pandemic. Reboot North Yorkshire continues to thrive with requests for devices being fulfilled from all areas of the County. These devices are making a significant difference to the new owner's lives, allowing people to continue with education and training, to access services and information online, to keep in touch with family and friends and to improve their mental health.

Strategically the team are working with the Humber and North Yorkshire integrated Care System (ICS) Digital Inclusion Network and the UK Shared Prosperity Programme (UKSPF) team to ensure that the UKSPF investment planned for 2024/2025 is designed to best meet the needs of those most digitally excluded in North Yorkshire. A programme to support the development of community based digital access points will be launched as part of the UKSPF prospectus later this year with funding available from 1 April 2024.

#### 4.9 Cost of living - Food Insecurity

Work on the collaborative insight work with City of York Council to better understand the regional food insecurity landscape is now complete, with the final report made available in spring 2023<sup>1</sup>. The work evaluates the range of food support services that were established during the pandemic and explores potential opportunities for future service provision alongside a series of recommendations. Work has now commenced to start planning a partnership event to launch the findings/carry out some further engagement work in September 2023, and the findings are already being used to inform other related work areas both internally across the Council, and externally with partners.

The team continues to work closely with the Public Health Healthier Lives, Community and Economy team who are looking to bring together a range of organisations in the food sector to establish a food system framework and ultimately a food partnership to address the immediate to long term challenges presented. Joint work on exploring the impact of cost of living on health outcomes has continued with a multi-agency event taking place in September 2023.

As outlined in Section 4.4, a further 18 grants have been awarded through the current round of HSF to support free or low-cost food provision across the County over the winter period.

#### 4.10 UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF)

There is a strong emphasis within the criteria for UKSPF on place shaping, community empowerment, engagement and strengthening the voluntary and community sector, and Stronger Communities are taking the lead role in the delivery of the Communities and Place strand. The following progress has been made in 2023/24:

- 11 feasibility studies have now been funded totalling £163,310. Feasibility study priorities include:
  - Building capacity in people & places.
  - Generating new ideas for community regeneration.
  - Promoting healthy & active communities.
  - Increasing levels of digitisation.
  - Celebrating distinctive and vibrant places.
  - Growing businesses.
  - Promoting innovation.
  - Attracting new investment through sector growth.
  - Promoting climate resilience and decarbonisation.
- Following an open bidding round, North Yorkshire Sport has been appointed to manage and administer the Active Travel and Sports grants programme, focussed on improving access to green space, new and improved sports facilities, active travel measures and promoting healthy lifestyle campaigns in North Yorkshire until 31 March 2025.

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<sup>1</sup> The final report and associated assets can be viewed at [York and North Yorkshire Covid Recovery Insight Project: Food Insecurity – Just another WordPress site \(skyblue.org.uk\)](https://www.skyblue.org.uk/insight-project/food-insecurity-just-another-wordpress-site).



#### 4.11 Mental health programmes

The Stronger Communities team have worked in partnership with colleagues in Public Health and the NHS to deliver a range of community led mental health projects since 2019. These include grass roots suicide prevention programmes and other specialist mental health services. As part of the national Community Mental Health Transformation programme, Stronger Communities continue to work in partnership with the NHS for a third year to transform community based mental health services for people with a serious mental illness through building capacity within communities and the voluntary sector. The approach includes NHS financial investment, managed by Stronger Communities, working with four place based multi-agency partnerships to develop and/or pilot new community-based services and projects through grant funding to voluntary organisations and community groups with the over-arching aim of enabling people with a serious mental illness to live well in their communities.

The team, in conjunction with Public Health are also refreshing Headfirst, North Yorkshire's Mental Health Training Hub, with the aim of relaunching the site and broadening its reach in autumn this year. This will provide free (funded) places for individuals living / working or volunteering across North Yorkshire in the areas of Mental Health First Aid (MHFA), Suicide First Aid (SFA), Mental Health Awareness and bespoke courses as required.

#### 4.12 Children and Young People

As previously reported, the Stronger Communities team continues to work with the Early Help team from CYPS to deliver their Get Going grants scheme that seeks to grow community capacity by working alongside and with our communities to stimulate, support and develop activities that enable children, young people and their families to be happy, healthy and achieving.

#### 4.13 Capacity Building

Stronger Communities Programme has continued to strengthen local community assets and infrastructure; this has included encouraging relationships and collaborations between voluntary and community sector organisations as well as stabilising, and / or building capacity within them if required. The impact of the pandemic on income and capacity within the sector, together with concerns in relation to rising fuel costs is resulting in concerns about their long-term viability and sustainability. Stronger Communities continues to work with colleagues such as Community First Yorkshire, The Two Ridings Foundation, the Lottery and other partners to identify issues and concerns and develop joint responses.

#### 4.14 Local Government Reorganisation

The work of the Stronger Communities team is now positioned within the Localities Team, in Local Engagement. With the Head of Service now in post, work is currently on-going to develop and structure this new service area, bringing together the functions and work programmes of the Stronger Communities team and former District and Borough Council Communities teams to ensure continuity is achieved, but also accommodating development and growth of key work areas. It is anticipated that this will be complete by December 2023.

## 5.0 Local Area Information

### 5.1 Community Anchor Organisations

Strand one – Grants for place based Community Anchor Organisations (CAO)

- Whitby CAO was awarded to Flash Company Arts
- Esk Valley CAO was awarded to Revival North Yorkshire

Strand two – Co-design Grants (Harrogate & Scarborough Urban areas)

- SeeCHANGE was awarded this grant to support their involvement in the co - design process for the urban Community Anchors Model for Scarborough.

Strand three – Development grants

These are for places where no grants have been awarded through ‘Investment strand One’. Funding will be made available to explore options and support the development of anchors in those places.

- These include Eastfield, Filey as well as the potential for a couple of self-identified places.

### 5.2 Wellbeing and Prevention – Stay Healthy, Independent & Connected

As referenced in Section 4.7, the new SHIC grants will be delivered in the Scarborough and Whitby constituency area through three new partnership models involving a combination of place-based organisations. Through this model all communities will have access to specialist advice and guidance as well as an opportunity to make local social connections.

These are:

- Whitby and Villages - Carers Plus Yorkshire in partnership with Whitby Caring Together and Flash Company Arts
- Scarborough Town and Rural - Carers Plus Yorkshire (in partnership with Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale MIND and Coast and Vale Community Action
- Esk Valley and Coast - Revival North Yorkshire

### 5.3 Mental Health Support

The Community Mental Health Transformation programme for this area, is being managed by the Scarborough, Whitby, Ryedale Mental Health Task and Finish Group. The group see it as an opportunity to try to improve the quality of life for people with, or at risk of developing a serious mental illness, in Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale through access to early support from a variety of services. Two key areas of the programme are the Access and Connect Grant Fund 2022/23 which has a total budget of £200,000 and its work on how to streamline clients’ experience of accessing mental health support, ensuring co-production underpins the transformative approach. A number of Access and Connect grant funded projects are currently being delivered.

### 5.4 Work with local Organisations

SeeCHANGE, the innovative cross sector partnership funded for three years by the National Lottery Community Fund, is progressing on each of its three thematic areas.

- Giving a voice to the local Voluntary and Community Sector with the health service through a vibrant and responsive Community Collective for Scarborough
- Working with businesses and other employers to work across sectors to improve workforce wellbeing, look at business led initiatives too address health inequalities and explore the potential of joint working between sectors.
- Pilot new ways of working from small community groups and groups of people in the town to achieve change using participatory grants.

The first grant panel took place in early August with 3 grants awarded and a number of small groups getting additional supported to strengthen their supplication.

## 6.0 Recommendations

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

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Marie-Ann Jackson, Head of Localities

**11<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

## Appendix A – Breakdown of Community Grants Awarded since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023

District	Organisation Name	Project	Value
Scarborough	Dementia Forward	Whitby Wellbeing Café	986
Scarborough	Feeding and Sling Support	Birth Preparation Workshops	1000
Scarborough	Sound of Summer	Community Summer Event	1000
Scarborough	Whitby Rugby Club	Whitby Community Day	995
Scarborough	Newholm Cum Dunsley Village Hall	Activity equipment	1000
Scarborough	Age UK North Yorkshire Coast and Moors	Filey sewing Bee	940
Scarborough	Art Therapy Yorkshire	ATY Womens Group	1000
Scarborough	Little Rainbows at Church House	Little Rainbows at Stakesby	1000
Scarborough	Scarborough U3A	Increasing U3A Indoor Sports Offer	1000
Scarborough	North Yorkshire Youth	Eastfield Youth Club	860
Scarborough	North Yorkshire Citizen Advice and Law Centre	Pomoc Project End of Summer Event	1000
Scarborough	Gatecrasher Productions CIC	Stagecraft	1000

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## North Yorkshire Council

### Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee

22 September 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 various outside bodies.

##### **2.0 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Subsequent to the creation of the new North Yorkshire Council on 01.04.23, the number of Outside Bodies that the Council now appoints to has increased as the appointments previously made by the seven District and Borough Councils now need to be made by North Yorkshire Council.
- 2.2 Appointments to Outside Bodies were made by the Area Constituency Committees in May 2022 for the final year of North Yorkshire County Council and then for a period of 4 years from the start of the new Unitary Authority to May 2027.

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

- 3.1 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. The Constitution identifies three categories of outside bodies. Those to which this Area Constituency Committee appoints are in Categories 2 and 3 (known as Local Bodies).
- 3.2 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.
- 3.3 Category 3 outside bodies typically operate across a smaller geographic area, usually within a single Electoral Division. The Council's Constitution states, with regard to Category 3 outside bodies, that:-
- the person appointed is expected to be a member of the local community, but may be the local Member;
  - the local Member will make a nomination to the relevant Area Constituency Committee;
  - there will be no Officer support;
  - there will be no report back (unless the local Member deems it necessary) and any

- report back will be to the Corporate Director of Resources; and
- expenses will not be paid by the Council.

3.4 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.

3.5 Appendix A sets out the table of appointments to outside bodies which fall to be made by the ACC, together with details of any Councillors already appointed to that body from their previous District or Borough Councillor position, these are noted in red. Appointments made by the ACC in May 2022 are noted in black, no further action is required for these appointments.

3.6 Category 2 outside bodies to which this Area Constituency Committee appoints are listed at Appendix A.

#### **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".

4.3 With regard to Category 3 outside bodies, the alternative is for the Area Constituency Committee to appoint for the term "until a replacement is appointed".

#### **5.0 Nomination and Appointment Process**

5.1 At today's meeting of the Area Constituency Committee:-

- In respect of Category 2 outside body appointments, the Chairman will invite Members to announce nominations at the meeting. Nominees should be Councillors. Each nomination must be seconded. If the number of nominations for appointment to any outside body exceeds the number of vacancies on that body, Members will be asked to vote by show of hands to identify which Councillors shall be appointed.
- In respect of each Category 3 outside body appointment, the Chairman will invite the relevant local Member, listed in the last column at Appendix B, to announce the name of his/her nominee for each vacancy on that outside body. Nominees are expected to be a member of the local community but may be the local Member. Once seconded, Area Constituency Committee Members will be asked to vote to approve those appointments.

5.2 Local Members are asked to provide, to Daniel Harry following today's meeting, the contact details (i.e., postal address, email address and phone number) of the local members of the community who the Area Constituency Committee appoints to Category 3 outside bodies. Such information is required for forwarding to the Secretary of the outside body

#### **6.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

6.1 There is an option not to appoint to all or some of the existing outside bodies, however this was discounted on the basis that it is beneficial at this time to keep all the existing appointments to provide local support by Members. For the future there will be a review of the number of all outside bodies as this currently stands at approximately 218. This will be within the next 12 months. At this stage the working assumption is that the number of outside bodies appointed to by North Yorkshire Council may be reduced to better align with the strategic and operational priorities of the Council. The approach to this review is being worked up and a further update will be provided in due course

## **7.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

## **8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

8.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

## **9.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 There are no equalities implications arising from this report.

## **10.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

10.1 There are no climate change implications arising from this report.

## **11.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

11.1 Appointments to outside bodies are made by the Area Constituency Committees as per the Council's Constitution

## **12.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)**

i) With regard to each Category 2 outside body vacancy listed at Appendix A, that the Councillor, to be nominated and selected at today's meeting, be appointed to represent the Council on that outside body, to serve until the Council elections in 2027.

ii) That the appointments previously made at District and Borough level are ratified and continue as a North Yorkshire Councillor appointee, subject to the individual Member approval. These appointments are noted in red.

### **APPENDICES:**

Appendix A – Table of Appointments for Category 2 Outside Bodies

### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**

North Yorkshire Council Constitution. [Constitution](#)

Barry Khan  
Assistant Chief Executive Legal and Democratic Services  
County Hall  
Northallerton

14 09 2023

Report Author – Christine Phillipson Principal 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.

Scarborough & Whitby	<b>No of seats</b>	
Esk Valley Railway Development Company	1	Cllr Neil Swannick
Scarborough United Scholarships Foundation with the John Kendall Trust	4	Cllr Janet Jefferson Vacancy x3

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**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL  
Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee  
22 September 2023**

**Committee Work Programme**

**Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services)**

**1.0 Purpose of the report**

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

**2.0 Remit of the committee**

2.1 The Area Constituency Committees:

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

**3.0 Financial implications**

- 3.1 The financial implications are set out in the body of this report.

**4.0 Legal implications**

- 4.1 The legal implications are set out in the body of this report.

**5.0 Climate change Implications**

- 5.1 There are no significant climate change implications arising from this report.

**6.0 Equalities implications**

- 6.1 There are no significant equalities implications arising from this report.

## **7.0 Recommendations**

- 7.1 That Members consider, amend and add to the Committee's draft work programme (see Appendix 1), as required.

### **Appendices:**

Appendix 1 – Committee Work Programme

Barry Khan  
Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services)  
County Hall  
Northallerton  
14 September 2023

Report Author: St John Harris, Democratic Services Manager, North Yorkshire Council.

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

## Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee

### Work Programme 2023/24

#### Friday 9 June 2023 at 10.30am

Subject	Description
Healthy Child Service	An overview of the work of the Healthy Child Service in the Scarborough and Whitby constituency from Emma Lonsdale and Gill Kelly (HAS)
Environment Agency Update	Update on the monitoring of bathing waters in the constituency area and work to improve water quality from Claire Campbell and Claire Barrow (Environment Agency)
Update on former indoor swimming pool site, Scarborough	To outline proposals for NYC to facilitate development of the former indoor Swimming Pool and obtain feedback from Alex Richards (Economic Development & Regeneration)
Appointments to Outside Bodies	To consider appointments to outside bodies which fall to the ACC in accordance with the Council's Constitution
Area Constituency Committees in the new North Yorkshire Council	An update on the ways Area Constituency Committees may work going forward from Daniel Harry (Democratic Services)
2023/24 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny

#### Friday 22 September 2023 at 10am

Subject	Description
Attendance of MP Sir Robert Goodwill	Not yet confirmed - Opportunity for the Rt Hon Sir Robert Goodwill MP to share his views on main issues of local interest
Verbal Update on Scarborough Hospital Performance in relation to the CQC report	A further performance update for Scarborough hospital from Simon Morritt (CEO York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust) and Heather McNair (Chief Nurse, York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust)
Stronger Communities Update	Bi-annual update from Karen Atkinson, Stronger Communities Team
Community Resilience	To update members on the work of the Resilience and Emergencies team, and to provide details to committee members of the Elected Members Emergency Handbook - Matt Robinson (Head of Resilience and Emergencies)
Appointments to Outside Bodies	To consider further appointments to outside bodies that were not completed at the previous meeting
2023/24 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny

<i>Items to note</i>	<i>Yorkshire Coast BID Annual Report</i>
	<i>NYC Review of public conveniences – update in the Scarborough and Whitby area constituency</i>
	<i>Yorkshire Water – Bathing Water Quality Update</i>
<b>Friday 1 December 2023 at 10am</b>	
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Description</b>
Attendance of MP Sir Robert Goodwill	<i>Not yet confirmed</i> - Opportunity for the Rt Hon Sir Robert Goodwill MP to share his views on main issues of local interest
Scrutiny review of SEND provision in the Scarborough and Whitby area	To seek the ACC's comments on the scrutiny task and finish group report on SEND provision in the Scarborough and Whitby area commissioned by the Children and Families O&S Committee
Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Profile report	Simon Moss, Head of Strategy and Performance
Health in Coastal Communities / Health Deprivation & Inequality	Progress Update on Chief Medical Officer Annual Report on Health in Coastal Communities - Louise Wallace (Director of Public Health), Natalie Smith (Head of HAS Population Health Planning) and Dan Atkinson (Public Health Manager).
Use of Social Value Engine tool for projects in the area constituency	Matthew Joseph, Community Regeneration and Support Officer
Rural Policing Update	Annual Update from the NYP Rural Taskforce Unit
Schools, Educational Achievement & Finance	An overview of the local educational landscape, educational achievement and the financial challenges which affect schools in the Scarborough & Whitby constituency area
Safer Communities Update	Provision of domestic abuse safe accommodation - Odette Robson, Head of Safer Communities
Port Marine Safety Code	Annual Report of Performance against the Safety Plan – Capt. Chris Burrows, Head of Harbours
2023/24 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny
<b>Monday 8 January 2024 at 10:30am - Remote Informal Meeting</b>	
Budget 2024/25 Proposals	Overview of Budget proposals for 2024/25 – Gary Fielding, Director of Strategic Resources

2023/24 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny
<b>22 March 2024 at 10am</b>	
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Description</b>
Attendance of MP Sir Robert Goodwill	<i>Not yet confirmed</i> - Opportunity for the Rt Hon Sir Robert Goodwill MP to share his views on main issues of local interest
Draft 2024/25 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny

**Other topics to be allocated:**

- Aging Population – provision and accessibility to locally based services
- The cost of housing and other housing related issues e.g. Cost of Living, Fuel Poverty and the future Homelessness service provision
- Reduction in Bus Services and its impact on residents' lives
- The creation of a new Town Council (pending the outcome of the Community Governance Review)
- Economic regeneration projects in the constituency
- Children's Safety
- Housing Strategy
- Social Housing Allocations Policy
- Pomoc – Access to Services for Eastern European Migrants - update

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Yorkshire Water Update  
Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee  
22nd September 2023

## Overview of Bathing Water

- The Bathing Water Directive sets out the requirements for:
  - Monitoring and classifying bathing water quality
  - Managing bathing water quality
  - Providing information to the public on bathing water quality
- Under the Directive, bathing waters are classified annually into the following categories:



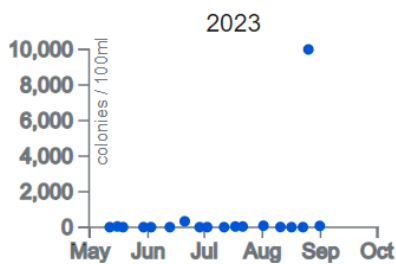
- Classifications are made using the previous four years of data (where available) – performance this year, will be impacted by data from 2021 onwards.
- Regulatory samples are taken by the Environment Agency throughout the bathing season (may-September) to determine the classification.

## Scarborough Current Classifications

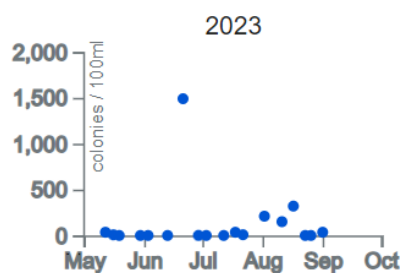
The 2023 classifications are based on sample results for 2018-2022. Scarborough North is currently classified as Excellent. Scarborough South is currently classified as Poor.

## Scarborough Results Year to Date

Scarborough North Bay

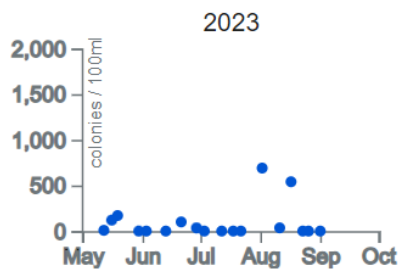
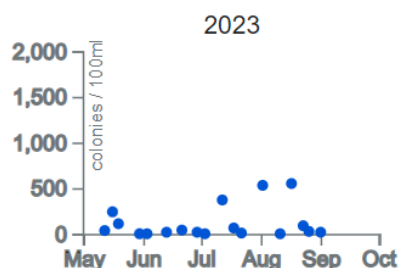


Intestinal Enterococci (IE)



Escherichia coli (EC)

Scarborough South Bay



Intestinal Enterococci (IE)

Escherichia coli (EC)

**Details on discharge rates in the Scarborough South Bay, and Scalby Beck**

2021 to date discharge rates and durations in the Scarborough Area are detailed below.

Asset Name	2021		2022		2023	
	Total Spills	Total Duration	Total Spills	Total Duration	Total Spills	Total Duration
AQUARIUM TOP/CSO	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	0.27
BURNISTON GARDENS/2 CSO	5	4.32	4	2.78	4	2.68
CORNER CAFE/NO 2 CSO	10	5.20	2	0.78	5	10.43
COW WATH BECK/CSO	13	58.22	5	10.20	7	7.25
GLYNNDALE DRIVE/CSO	3	3.84	2	0.42	4	13.62
HILLCREST AV TANK/CSO	12	55.06	5	5.93	8	66.72
HOLBECK HILL/CSO			1	0.28	5	1.97
NEWBY BRIDGE TANK/CSO	9	94.40	0	0.00	9	95.78
SCALBY MILLS/CSO			14	15.98	17	51.30
SCARBOROUGH/STW/STORM TREATMENT			3	21.00		
TOLL HOUSE/SPS	14	3.24	9	0.53	9	6.97
WHEATCROFT/CSO	7	47.84	1	3.85	11	128.48
WHITBY ROAD BDG/CSO	15	37.53	13	20.12	16	87.68

We have seen an increase this year in line with increased rainfall on 2022.

**Progress with the Discharge Reduction Plan**

This asset management period, (AMP7) we had already planned to invest £147m in reducing discharges. We also announced, earlier this year, an additional £180m of investment. We have now identified 180 high discharge sites for this additional investment, where we are now conducting on site investigations and modelling to determine where we can have the largest impact to reduce spills. The target of this investment is to reduce spills 20% by 2025 from our 2021 figures. In Scarborough we are accelerating the scheme to invest in Wheatcroft CSO as a priority.

In August 2022 the Government published their Storm Overflow Discharge Reduction Plan, which includes 3 key targets. The first regards high priority sites, such as SSSIs and nature reserves, the second targets bathing waters and the third is an overall target storm overflows will not be permitted to discharge above an average of 10 rainfall events per year by 2050.

To ensure we meet or exceed these targets we have created a plan for storm overflow investment through to 2050. This includes over £1bn of investment between 2025 and 2030. We are working with stakeholders to collaborate on surface water removal such as sustainable urban drainage and other blue-green initiatives.

### **Levels of compliance with EA permits**

The Environment Agency assess compliance with Environmental Permits. The findings of their inspections, audits and monitoring activities, reviews of monitoring and other data/reports are captured in a CAR form. Non-compliances with a permit requirement are captured and given a CCS breach.

Yorkshire Water have not received any Non-compliance breaches for assets in the Scarborough or Whitby areas this year.

### **Overview of Partnership**

Yorkshire Water currently work in a Partnership format with Local Councils and the Environment Agency to monitor, investigate and improve Bathing Water Quality across Yorkshire. The Governance Structure is made of Technical Action Groups, a Partnership Board and in development is a communications group.

In 2023 the Partnership funded a season long intensive investigation in Bridlington to identify potential sources of pollution that may contribute to poor bathing water quality and create an action plan to improve. If the results of this investigation are conclusive and successful there is scope to replicate this work at Scarborough in 2024.

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**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL  
SCARBOROUGH AND WHITBY AREA CONSTITUENCY COMMITTEE  
22 September 2023**

**NYC Review of Public Conveniences - Update**

**1.0 Purpose of Report**

To inform and update Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee of progress reviewing public conveniences across North Yorkshire

**2.0 Summary**

We are continuing to move forward with the implementation of the new Senior Management structure for Environmental Services and Climate Change, within which Public Conveniences sits. As part of this we are seeking to increase our capacity to undertake a full review of public conveniences across North Yorkshire.

**3.0 Timeline**

Stage 1 July 2023 - March 2024

- Establish the current status of the network, including condition surveys and site features – pay on entry, operating costs – staffing, utilities, maintenance etc.
- Explore undertaking a usage study across the network
- Explore consolidation of operational responsibilities and budgets into Environmental Services along with new Service senior management structure.
- Review the sites identified by Parish and Town Councils received as part of the first round of expressions of interest in devolving functions/services.
- Enter dialogue with Environmental Services Member working group [currently being formed] and Management Board, to discuss scope and parameters around the service. To identify any MTFs savings requirements/aspirations.

Stage 2 March 2024 – September 2024

- To agree a new NYC public convenience strategy by reviewing the following;
  1. To conduct a network review – number, location and condition
  2. To agree a new operating model
  3. Agree service standard levels across the County – opening times, cleaning frequency
  4. The role of pay-on-entry and technology – auto open/closing, utility saving measures
- Should subsequent expressions of interest be forthcoming from Parish/Town Councils, these will be considered on merit.

Stage 3 – July 2024 onwards

- Implement new strategy and the associated programme of works.

- Please note the above timeline is indicative and will be refined as the scheme progresses.

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Harry J Briggs, Interim Head of Service – Operations (SCA)

**13<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Yorkshire Coast BID is funded by a combination of the BID levy from local businesses and voluntary contributions.

Feb 2019-July 31st 2023 (54 months)\*

### INCOME 2019/23

Bid Levy.....	£3,391,817
Other income .....	£117,575
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>3,509,392</b>

### EXPENDITURE 2019/23

Coastal Projects .....	£1,104,030
Area Projects .....	£1,137,506
Levy Collection Fees.....	£167,343
Salaries .....	£437,811
Director expenses .....	£166
Operating costs .....	£279,148
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>£3,126,004</b>
Net surplus carried forward 2022/23	£383,388

\*Please note that this projection has been prepared before financial accounts closed on the 31st of July 2023. and does not include pre-committed funds for long-term projects

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**EVENTS**

**53**

**NON-EVENT PROJECTS**

**£1.1M**

**MATCH FUNDING**

**£112K**

**RAISED FOR CHARITY**

**59**

**PARTNERS**

**86%**

**COLLECTION RATE**



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## DEAR BUSINESS OWNER,

As another fantastic year at the Yorkshire Coast BID comes to an end, it is so encouraging to look back and see that we have created or supported over 150 activities during the last four years.

We look particularly at the Coastal Activities, which benefited much of the Yorkshire Coast. The coastal funds have enabled the delivery of projects throughout the entire area from Staithes to Spurn Point with activities ranging from large-scale events like The Odyssey with a World Record breaking event in Bridlington, to the newly launched environmental program Protect our Coast, which includes the 'Seal of Approval', where the design that eight-year-old Ava Godfrey from Scarborough created for this initiative, champions green changes you as businesses are making.

Route YC, our tourism product, has continued to grow, and we thank our 250+ businesses for coming on board and helping to promote it. Since its launch, it has featured regionally and nationally in titles such as The Telegraph, Times and many more, championing this as Yorkshire's Ultimate Road Trip. With over 60,000 users and an exciting series of brand partnerships being realised over the next six months, we see this as one of the keystone projects in our portfolio that helps promote the Coastal Sculpture Collection, created by local Sculptor Emma Stothard. The Wykeham Damsselfly, Spurn Butterfly, and the soon to be installed Hornsea Wave, inspired by a piece of iconic Hornsea Pottery, act as our marker points for people to check in throughout the Yorkshire Coast and build on existing sculptures at Staithes and Withernsea.

Mention must also be made of the innovative 'Puffins Galore' project, which not only attracted many thousands of visitors but it has also raised £100k for charities; Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, Lifeboats, RSPB and Hornsea Inshore Rescue.

Each town has received substantial investment and activity. We remember Scarborough's Big Ideas by the Sea and the first-year sell-out event, Savour the Coast. In Bridlington, over 20,000 visitors enjoyed the remarkable Super Soap Box Challenge and the return of Race the Waves achieving local, regional and national coverage for the area. Whitby's Ice Rink continued again this year with over 12,000 tickets sold, 45% of which were sold to visitors who came to the town specifically for the skating. Our villages, including Robin Hood's Bay, Staintondale and Wykeham, have also received funding, and we look forward to a new scheme being introduced to include even more.

It would be impossible for us to deliver all the activities on our own, so we place partnership work at the centre of everything we do. We are so delighted to have worked with some amazing partners, including Whitby in Bloom, Scarborough Cavaliers Rotary, Animated Objects, Filey Bay 1779 Research Group, and Backfire Promotions, to name a few.

Our successes were only achieved with the support and funding provided by you, our local businesses; thank you. Your feedback and ideas have consistently helped us shape the delivery, and we are delighted to see so many of you participating in the different projects.

I also offer my personal thanks to all members of the Board of Directors, including CEO Kerry Carruthers, who has supported the strategic delivery in a caring and diligent manner throughout the year.

Yours sincerely,



Clive Rowe-Evans, Chair  
Yorkshire Coast Business Improvement District

# PROJECT FUNDING 2019-2023

THANKS TO YOUR FUNDING, WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE YORKSHIRE COAST

## COASTAL FUNDS

Route YC 2021-2024  
 Love Yorkshire Coast 2020-2024  
 YCB100/Protect our Coast 2022-2024  
 Monster Hero Safari 2020 -2023  
 Savings Advisory 2019 -2021  
 PA Trailer and 10 events 2021-2022  
 ShopAppy 2020 -2022

The Odyssey (56 Events in total)

- Lighting up the Coast 2021
- A Thousand Ships 2021
- Trojan Wars 2022
- The Survivor 2022
- World Record Achieved 2022
- 2022-2023 Finales
- Geo-location trails 2021 - 2023

Coast Snap/Active Beacons 2021-2023  
 Coastal Sculpture Collection 2021-2024  
 Bike Repair Stations 2021-2022  
 Electric Vehicle Charging 2023  
 Whitby Lobster Hatchery Discovery Centre 2023

## SCARBOROUGH FUND

Christmas 2019/2020/2021  
 PLACE: Crescent Arts 2021  
 Parcels Office 2021-2024  
 Scarborough Stories 2020-2022  
 Big Ideas by The Sea 2020-2023  
 Cruise 2021 - 2022  
 Fossil Festival 2021/2022  
 Community Fayre 2021/2022  
 South Bay Boxing Day Event 2021-2022  
 Goldwings 2022 (Cancelled)  
 Scarborough Gift Card 2020 - 2024  
 Scarborough Restaurant Week 2022-2023  
 Welcome Ambassadors 2021  
 DYC Surprise Campaign 2021-2022  
 Lighting up the Coast Scarborough Castle and Lighthouse Activation 2022  
 Savour the Coast 2023  
 Scarborough Pride 2023  
 Town Centre Notice Board 2023  
 Town Centre Trail 2023  
 Scarborough Anti Theft Group 2022-2023

## WHITBY FUND

Whitby Krampus Run 2019-2023  
 Whitby Winter Festival 2021/-2022  
 Welcome Ambassadors 2021  
 Whitby In Bloom 2020-2023  
 The WhitBEE Line 2021  
 DYC Surprise Campaign 2021-2022  
 Lighting up the Coast Whitby Abbey activation 2022

## FILEY FUND

Steampunk Filey 2022-2023  
 Filey Kite Festival 2021 - 2022  
 Super Soapbox Challenge 2021  
 Filey Bay 1779 2021 -2024  
 Filey Winter Lighting 2023  
 Land Train Feasibility 2020  
 Welcome Ambassadors 2021  
 DYC Surprise Campaign 2021-2022  
 Filey Folk Festival 2023  
 Filey 1k 2022  
 Filey Lions Bonfire Event 2023  
 Filey Coronation Event 2023

## BRIDLINGTON FUND

Race the Waves 2022-2023  
 Super Soapbox Challenge 2022  
 Bridlington 5k 2022  
 ROBOT: Old Town events and Lighting Program 2021-2023  
 Ale Trail 2021-2023  
 Brid Bus 2019  
 Park & Win! 2021  
 Puffins Galore! 2022-2023  
 DISC 2021-2024  
 Drugs Support 2022-2023  
 Great Wolds Run 2021  
 Bridlington Explorer 2022-2023  
 National Tug of War Final 2023  
 Bridlington Coble Festival 2023  
 Bridlington Pride 2023  
 Bridlington in Bloom 2023

## HORNSEA FUND

Jubilee Event PA 2022  
 Christmas Lighting 2021-2022  
 Puffins Galore! 2022-2023  
 Hornsea Carnival 2022  
 Hornsea Wave Nature Garden 2023  
 Hornsea Soapbox PA 2023

## WITHERNSEA FUND

POD Squad 2021  
 Puffins Galore! 2022-2023  
 Withernsea Bike Scheme 2020  
 Pier Towers Renovation 2020  
 Withernsea on Wheels 2022  
 Christmas Lighting 2022  
 Lighting up the Coast Withernsea Activation 2022

## VILLAGES FUND

Robin Hood's Bay:

- Defibrillator 2021
- Dock End Benches 2021
- Coast Cam 2021
- Christmas 2019/2020
- Quarter deck Planting Scheme 2023

Spurn Butterfly 2021  
 Sleights Signal Box TBC  
 Holderness Features 2020  
 Staintondale Village Hall 2022  
 Wildlife Guides 2021-2022  
 Wykeham Damsel 2022  
 Yorkshire Puffin Festival 2021-2023  
 DYC Surprise Campaign  
 Puffins Galore! 2022-2023  
 Heritage rail promotional support 2022  
 Lighting up the Coast  
 Spurn/Flamborough Activation 2022  
 Sand and Stone Festival 2022  
 Wykeham Dragon Boats Festival 2023

£1,104,030

COASTAL

£228,052

WHITBY

£459,344

SCARBOROUGH

£49,243

FILEY

£199,259

BRIDLINGTON

£26,755

HORNSEA

£32,308

WITHERNSEA

£142,545

VILLAGES

Project spend up until 31.7.2023 and does not include pre-committed funds for long-term projects

