



Meeting: Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

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

Date: Thursday, 3rd October, 2024

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Undercroft, Whitby Pavilion, West Cliff, Whitby, YO21 3EN

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AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**

2. **Minutes of the meeting held on 7 June 2024** (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 - Chair's report**

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 Alison Hume**
7. **Coastal parking issues including the overnight parking of motor caravans** (Pages 11 - 20)
8. **Receipt of petition against the proposed ban of motorhome overnight parking in locations in Scarborough** (Pages 21 - 24)
9. **Area Committee Economic Development, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund endorsements - October 2024** (Pages 25 - 46)
10. **Esk Valley Railway - a New Beginning** (Pages 47 - 56)
11. **Parish sector liaison** (Pages 57 - 76)
12. **Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee Work Programme 2024/25** (Pages 77 - 80)
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**
Friday, 29 November 2024 at 10.00am.

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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15. **Reports circulated for information only**
- 15.1 **Resilience and Emergencies Annual Update 2024** (Pages 81 - 86)

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Assistant Chief Executive
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County Hall
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25 September 2024

North Yorkshire Council

Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday, 7th June, 2024 commencing at 10.00 am.

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

Officers present: Karen Atkinson, Angela Crossland (remote), St John Harris, Mark Harrison, Jon Holden, Paul Romans, Andrew Santon and Amy Thomas

Apologies: Councillors Derek Bastiman and Phil Trumper.

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

Chair's opening remarks

The Chair, Councillor Colling welcomed everyone to the meeting reminding all present of the restrictions which applied during this pre-election period.

Councillor Colling thanked all those who had responded to the recent consultation on the Long Term Plan for Scarborough. The responses were being analysed, would be the subject of a report to the Scarborough Town Board on 17 June, and then a further update to this committee in due course.

She also advised that a second bathing water summit with strategic partners had been held on 6 June. Among the subjects discussed were McCain Foods' investment plans (the water treatment works at Wheatcroft had been operational since February), and the significant investment Yorkshire Water would be making to improve water quality. As already reported, the Environment Agency would be carrying out extensive testing this season that when combined with the work commissioned from Professor Grocke at Durham university would give a much deeper understanding of the causes of the poor water quality and steps that should be taken to address this. The Chair was pleased to report that all agencies were working closely together sharing information and learnings. The results would be published in the autumn. Given the significance of this issue to residents and businesses alike, the Chair advised that under the work programme item later on the agenda she would be proposing to hold a scrutiny session with stakeholders on water quality across the area when those results became available. In reply to questions, Councillor Colling assured the meeting that the bathing water quality of the North Bay would also be considered as part of the scrutiny and that the idea was to engage with a range of different stakeholders.

71 Election of a Chair

Resolved –

That Councillor Liz Colling be appointed Chair of the committee for the 2024-25 municipal year.

Resolved –

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2024, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

73 Election of a Vice-Chair

Resolved –

That Councillor Janet Jefferson be appointed Vice-Chair of the committee for the 2024-25 municipal year.

74 Apologies for Absence

Apologies noted (see above).

75 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Janet Jefferson declared a personal interest in agenda item 9. Public Space Protection Order in Scarborough town centre, since she was Chair of Scarborough Anti Theft Group.

Councillor Roberta Swiers declared a personal interest in agenda item 8. ACC Economic Development, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund Endorsements - June 2024, since the Coastal Access to Cayton Bay project was located within her division.

76 Public Participation

One public question was submitted to the committee by Bob Roberts.

Question

Has the committee been made aware of the business case and CAD drawings related to the provision of boat hoist facility and its associated benefits to the maritime community at Scarborough Harbour?

The Chair responded that Members of the committee were aware that the Council was engaged in a project to provide a boat lift at Scarborough Harbour, and that reports were to be considered by the Corporate Director of Resources to approve applications for grant aid to the UK Seafood Fund and the York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Gainshare Fund.

When prompted whether the committee had seen the business case and CAD drawings, the Chair responded no, since the only the relevant councillors and officers would consider these documents as part of the decision-making processes of the council. Mr Roberts added that he had circulated these documents by email to the committee the previous evening. The Chair advised that she would seek confirmation from ICT Services as to why the emails had not been received suggesting that file size could be the reason (this was later confirmed).

Considered – a report of the Corporate Director – Children and Young People’s Service accompanied by a presentation by Jon Holden, Head of Strategic Planning (Children and Young People’s Service) and Mark Harrison (Walked Route Assessor - Highways and Transportation) in respect of the assessment of walked routes to school with specific reference to the route from Stainsacre to Caedmon College, Whitby (to become Whitby School). Members were advised of the legislation and statutory guidance used to assess walked routes to school which established maximum walking distances and took into account the shortest route (including footpaths, bridleways, and other pathways) along which a child may walk in reasonable safety accompanied as necessary. There was no expectation that children would walk and that it was for the parent to decide what arrangements would be suitable for their child. Mr Harrison then described his assessment of the route in question which consisted of both a desktop study and a physical walk. In accordance with the guidance his focus was on pedestrian safety in relation to the highway, topographical conditions and physical features. The presence or not of street lighting was not a consideration.

Following the presentation, questions and comments from members concerned:

- Children’s safety and safeguarding especially when walking the route after dark
- The suggestion that a walking bus be used by parents
- The acknowledgement that parents took ultimate responsibility for safeguarding their children in the context of the walk to school, and that the route should be well lit was outside the remit of Home to School Transport guidance, but was rather for the council to address as the owner of the Cinder Track
- The acknowledgement that children would also use the busy A171 road to walk to Whitby School and the concern that they would need to be encouraged to use one of the existing signalised crossings along Helredale Road
- The importance of positivity about the use of the Cinder Track to walk to school since a well used route would be less intimidating for children

In reply to their questions, members were advised that:

- The statutory Home to School Transport guidance was based on normal school hours
- Alternative routes were considered
- All schools through Department for Education guidance were required to consider active travel alternatives including the walking bus

Resolved – that:

- (i) the report and presentation be noted;
- (ii) the use of the walking bus along the Cinder Track be promoted and encouraged;
- (iii) officers be asked to consider lighting the Cinder Track on the route in question;
- (iv) officers be asked to consider the provision of an additional pedestrian crossing on Helredale Road to help address the concerns about children’s safety; and
- (v) the committee request an update on this matter from local parents and Whitby Town Council in March 2025 (six months after the opening of the new school).

78 ACC Economic Development, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund Endorsements - June 2024

Considered – a report of the Corporate Director of Community Development seeking the committee’s endorsement that the Corporate Director spends £66,000 of the Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund on the development of four schemes outlined in the report.

Amy Thomas, Economic Service Development Manager advised that following an extensive Member engagement exercise a long list of project ideas had been established. Following preliminary research this list was refined to create a short list of the most viable

schemes. More detailed scoping work was then undertaken by officers on these remaining projects in order to complete the scoping forms and associated recommendations which were contained within and attached to the report.

Ms Thomas then outlined the four schemes recommended for approval:

- Coastal Access at Cayton Bay - £20,000
- Offshore Economic Opportunities - £20,000
- Active Travel / Social Prescribing Pilot Project - £15,500
- Scarborough 400 Commemorations - £10,500

Two further projects – Scarborough Sea Pool and Briggswath to Ruswarp footpath – would be subject to further development work and would be considered by the committee in October.

Following presentation of the report, members commented on the proposals, commending the recommended projects for their economic, social, cultural and health benefits, and for the additional funding that would be leveraged through the Project Development Fund.

Questions from members concerned:

- The timescale for the likely delivery of the Eastfield to Scarborough active travel route in light of its rejection for this fund because of the high cost involved (Councillor Tony Randerson)
- How much additional funding would these projects attract if supported through this fund – could we be more ambitious?
- Given its importance, could not more funding be directed to exploring offshore economic opportunities?

In reply, members were advised that:

- A detailed reply would be provided to Councillor Randerson about the Eastfield to Scarborough active travel route
- The amount of funding each project would leverage from other sources varied from case to case
- Projects of higher indicative cost were rejected because they would exceed the fund's budget
- A significant body of work had already been undertaken on offshore economic opportunities. The £20k proposed was to combine these and develop a strategy and action plan with the aim of attracting commercial investment in Scarborough and Whitby harbours

Resolved – that the committee endorses that the Corporate Director, Community Development spends £66,000 of the Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund on the following schemes:

Coastal Access at Cayton Bay - £20,000

Offshore Economic Opportunities - £20,000

Active Travel / Social Prescribing Pilot Project - £15,500

Scarborough 400 Commemorations - £10,500

Total - £66,000

79 Public Space Protection Order in Scarborough town centre

Considered – details of the draft Public Space Protection Order for Scarborough town centre together with an analysis of the recently closed public consultation on the proposals. Paul Romans, the Community Safety Manager advised that there was overwhelming public support for the proposed dual regime as evidenced in the public

consultation.

In their discussion of this item, members' questions and comments concerned:

- The extent of the area covered by the PSPO – why had some areas been excluded?
- The risk of displacement from a narrow section of Falsgrave Road to adjoining side streets
- The timetable for implementation and review
- The target hardening work in the South Cliff area
- The impact on rough sleepers
- The severity of this issue and the need to mitigate further detrimental impact on residents, visitors and shoppers
- The need to change perceptions of Scarborough for the better
- The potential effect of the shortage of public toilets on anti-social behaviour
- The acknowledgement that this was a cross council issue which also concerned licensing, trading standards and planning

In reply to their questions, members were advised that:

- PSPOs were just one tool in the armoury to help address this deep-seated societal problem
- PSPOs gave the power to both Council and Police Community Support officers to issue fixed penalty notices. These could not be issued retrospectively but only if the offender did not desist from drinking when asked to do so
- This was not an overly punitive regime, but served more to act as a deterrent
- The prohibition zone applied to everyone and did not discriminate against particular groups. Additional support and referral to other services was offered to rough sleepers.
- A relatively small number of people caused persistent problems but this number had grown significantly in recent years. Further enforcement may be required for repeat offenders such as a Criminal Behaviour Order
- He was happy to share anonymised data of fixed penalty notices issued to repeat offenders
- It was unlikely that there would be displacement to side streets as a consequence of the PSPO. Offenders tended to gather around benches and other meeting places
- The extent of the PSPO area was based on the volume of reports of anti-social behaviour.
- The PSPO would be implemented shortly and then subject to review in three years' time
- Work was undertaken in schools to address alcohol misuse among young people
- Currently, there was a review of the community safety hub working model across the county to bring consistency of resourcing and approach including the role of North Yorkshire Police within each hub

Resolved – that the committee endorses the draft Public Space Protection Order of Scarborough Town Centre.

80 Stronger Communities Update 2023/24

Considered – a report of the Assistant Chief Executive – Local Engagement which provided an update on the Stronger Communities Programme and an overview of progress made in the Scarborough and Whitby Constituency area in 2023/24. The report divided into the core Stronger Communities programme, for example, the progress in establishing Community Anchor Organisations (CAOs) across the county, and broader

Stronger Communities work, for example, to tackle food insecurity and digital exclusion, which was increasingly attaining pre-pandemic levels whilst continuing to lead on a series of large national programmes. Locally, Flash Company Arts had been identified in Whitby and Revival North Yorkshire in the Esk Valley as the CAO, whilst SeeCHANGE, the innovative cross sector partnership funded for three years by the National Lottery Community Fund, was close to identifying a suitable CAO model for Scarborough. SeeCHANGE was continuing to progress its work in the locality through a new community collective, improving workforce wellbeing with a range of employers, and piloting new ways of working with community groups to achieve change using participatory grants. Updates were also provided on a number of grants programmes including the North Yorkshire Local Assistance Fund and Inspire Grants, and on various projects with partners including Clear, Hold, Build in Barrowcliff and the Eastfield PACT's Cash for Causes scheme.

Members congratulated the Stronger Communities team on their extensive work across the locality.

In reply to a question about support provided to people whose applications to the North Yorkshire Local Assistance Fund were rejected, Karen Atkinson, Communities Locality Lead advised that a package of support was offered to these individuals around their need to try and tackle the root causes.

Resolved – that the committee

- i) notes the content of the report, outlining progress of the Stronger Communities Programme in 2023/24; and
- ii) agrees to an annual update on the activity of the Localities service.

81 Let's Talk Food - Survey Feedback

Considered – a report of the Corporate Director Health and Adult Services accompanied by a presentation by Angela Crossland, Head of Healthier Lives Community and Economy, Public Health Team in respect of the results of the recent Let's Talk Food public survey which had focused on residents' experiences around accessing healthy food and food waste.

In the ensuing discussion, members' comments and questions concerned:

- How a healthy diet was promoted through the survey
- The low response rate in the Scarborough and Whitby area and how this work would impact on deprived communities
- The rise of 'dark kitchens' which primarily served customers through online orders
- How to address the proliferation of fast food outlets for example through the planning system
- The review of the weight management service which could lead to a deterioration in quality (Councillor Eric Broadbent)

In response, Ms Crossland advised that:

- There were various descriptors in the survey of what constituted a healthy diet
- Her team had led on the review of the weight management service and its future design. She offered to discuss the review in more detail with Councillor Broadbent.
- Her service did not have much control over the survey response rate. However, the survey was only the first step. Work would now turn to specific focus groups with stakeholders across the food spectrum including food pantries and partnerships, supermarkets and farmers with a view to identifying actions to reduce food inequalities.
- Her service was also working with other council services including Localities,

Trading Standards and Planning (through the new Local Plan) to try and address the problems created by dark kitchens and concentrations of fast food outlets

- She would provide further updates to members through a webinar after the focus group work had completed.

The Chair advised that she would raise how the proliferation of takeaways could be addressed by the new Local Plan through her membership of the Local Plan Working Group and then would report back to the committee.

Resolved – that the report and presentation be noted.

82 Scarborough & Whitby Area Constituency Committee Work Programme 2024/25

Considered -

The latest draft of the committee's work programme for 2024-25. The following additions were agreed:

- (i) Scrutiny session on bathing water quality – special meeting of the committee to be arranged after the results of this year's investigations were published – the Chair and Principal Democratic Services Officer to draw up a draft witness package for discussion with the committee at an informal monthly briefing.
- (ii) Invite Simon Morritt, Chief Executive of York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust to address the committee on Hospital travel and attendance data – missed appointments in areas of deprivation – date to be confirmed
- (iii) Invite Paul Romans, Community Safety Manager, to provide an update on the countywide review of the Community Safety Hub working model and its implications for the local area
- (iv) Invite Scarborough and Whitby Youth Councils to address the committee on their hopes and aspirations for the two towns – date to be confirmed
- (v) Update on operation of Scarborough, Whitby and Staithes harbours – meeting on 3 October 2024 (subject to confirmation)
- (vi) Beyond Housing Investment, Repair and Regeneration Plan update in the Scarborough and Whitby area – date to be confirmed

Councillor David Jeffels raised the idea of an environmental improvements scheme in Scarborough and Whitby to be funded by the recently approved increase in parking charges. It was agreed that the Principal Democratic Services Officer would explore the feasibility of this idea with officers and report back to the committee.

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

83 Any Other Items

There was no urgent business.

84 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday, 3 October 2024

The meeting concluded at 12.45 pm.

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Coastal Parking Issues, including the Overnight Parking of Motor Caravans

Presentation to Scarborough and Whitby Area
Committee, with Cllrs Cross and Donohue-Moncrieff
03 October 2024

A Long Standing Issue



2012-2015 streets covered by a Temporary TRO prohibiting motor caravans from parking overnight 11pm – 7am	2024 current position
Housing immediately adjacent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parade (A174 Lythe Bank). Sandsend • North Promenade, East Terrace, Royal Crescent, Love Lane, North Terrace, Church Street, Whitby • Sandside, Foreshore Road, Esplanade, Scarborough • The Beach, Crescent Hill and The Crescent, Filey 	Motor caravan parking restrictions still in force – a Permanent TRO was approved in August 2015
No housing immediately adjacent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A174 Sandsend to Raithwaite, 3 miles north of Whitby • Royal Albert Drive, Scarborough North Bay • Osgodby Hill and Filey Road, ('old' A165), Cayton Bay, 3 miles south of Scarborough. 	The Temporary Order was deliberately allowed to lapse in 2015 as a compromise due to the large number of objections to the Permanent Order from the motor caravanning community.

Experimental TRO and Consultation

Expected to Start mid-October
2024

- Sandsend
- Royal Albert Drive
- Cayton Bay

Puts back restrictions that were
allowed to lapse in 2015.

Consultation to last 6 months
and includes Easter 2025 and
school holidays

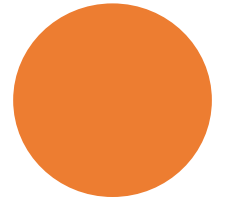
Overnight Motorhome Parking Restrictions

start Monday 21 October 2024

Following a number of complaints and safety concerns we are trialling a prohibition of motorhome parking on this road **between the hours of 11pm and 7am**

You will be able to **share your views** from the start of this restriction for six months

[northyorks.gov.uk/consultation](https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/consultation)



Outcome for Sandsend, Royal Albert Drive and Cayton Bay

Area-wide TRO and this Area Committee is a consultee

Page 14 Summer 2025 – a report to this committee

Autumn 2024 – a report to decision makers; Director of Environment and the Exec member for Highways and Transportation

Other Streets

- Concentrating on three high-profile areas to begin with in order to not further delay taking action

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Gathering parking data and evidence of on-going complaints for other streets allows us to build a strong legal position and more able to withstand challenges from objectors, if further restrictions are proposed for other streets.

Other sites potentially suitable for a prohibition of overnight parking for motor caravans

1	Highway land behind Sandsend public toilets
2	Waterstead Lane, Whitby
3	Tin Ghaut, Church Street, Whitby (whilst it is the aim to propose restrictions here, there are particular issues with this site that are unresolved)
4	Green Lane, Whitby
5	Weydale Avenue / Ryndle Crescent, Scarborough
6	Oriel Bank / Oriel Crescent / Garlands Hill, Scarborough
7	Scarborough South Cliff; Belvedere Road / Holbeck Road / Esplanade Crescent / Holbeck Hill / Holbeck Avenue / Sea Cliff Road / Wheatcroft Avenue
8	A170 East Ayton to West Ayton (laybys)
9	Peasholm Drive
10	Scalby Mills Road

Other sites suited to more 'normal' restrictions - prohibiting waiting

9	Ellerby Lane and Hinderwell Lane, Runswick Bay
10	Whitby north promenade/sea wall (Cleveland Way) between A174 Sandsend Road and Whitby Pavilion (proposed pedestrian zone)
11	B1447 Hooks House to garage, Robin Hood's Bay
12	Mill Bank, Boggle Hole
13	Bridge Holm Lane, Boggle Hole
14	Cargate Hill, Filey
15	Crescent Hill, Filey
16	Rutland Street, Filey
17	The Crescent / Belle Vue Street, Filey
18	Sands Road, Hunmanby Gap

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Other Streets

- Continue to send us complaints / photos you receive from your constituents about problem streets in your division
- When we are surveying the effects of the experimental scheme, we will gather parking data about other streets
- Further restrictions can only be taken forward as proposals where we have robust evidence that will stand up to likely objections

A row of white vans parked in a lot, with a blue car visible in the background. The image is dimmed and has a dark overlay.

Questions

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North Yorkshire Council

Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

3 October 2024

Receipt of Petition against the Proposed Ban of Motorhome Overnight Parking in Locations in Scarborough

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

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise of a petition containing more than 500 signatures.
- 1.2 To ask the Area Committee to consider a response.

2.0 THE PETITION

2.1 A paper petition has been received by North Yorkshire Council. The total number of signatories on the petition is 1128. Although a proportion of these are invalid since they do not live, work or study in North Yorkshire and surrounding areas, the number of valid signatories exceeds 500. This means that in accordance with the petitions scheme, the petition is referred to the next meeting of the relevant area committee for consideration.

2.2 The petition reads as follows:

Please do not ban campers from parking up overnight on Royal Albert Drive. The local businesses of this town need their trade.

If you push them out of town then they will either avoid Scarborough altogether or spend less time and less money in the town and on the seafront.

Turn parts of Royal Albert Drive into an Aire and charge a modest amount per night up to let's say 3 nights at a time.

Enforce a ban on tents, fires, bbqs etc as they obviously belong on a camp site. And make the parking accessible for decent sized campers and RVs.

As a Council it's noted that you installed chemical toilet facilities at the public toilets on Royal Albert Drive, so we would presume this was to encourage RVs and campers to stay.

2.3 [Link to petition](#)

3.0 THE COUNCIL'S ARRANGEMENTS FOR RECEIVING AND RESPONDING TO PETITIONS

3.1 The key features of the council's arrangements for receiving and debating petitions, as published on the council's website, are as follows:

- Receipt of the petition is published on the council's website (which has been done in the case of this petition).

- If a petition contains 500 or more signatures (but less than 30,130 signatories), it will be scheduled for debate at the next meeting of the appropriate area committee.
- The petition organiser is offered the opportunity to speak for five minutes at the area committee meeting to present his/her petition. Subsequently, at the meeting, the petition will be discussed by councillors for a maximum of 15 minutes and a decision will be made on how to respond to the petition.
- Possible responses by the council to petitions, as shown on the website, are:
 - (a) to take the action requested by the petition;
 - (b) not to take the action requested for reasons put forward in the debate;
 - (c) to commission further investigation into the matter, for example by a relevant committee; or
 - (d) where the issue is one on which the council Executive is required to make the final decision, the council will decide whether to make recommendations to inform that decision.
- The petition organiser will receive written confirmation of this decision. This confirmation will also be published on the website.

3.2 The petition organiser has confirmed that he is unavailable to attend this meeting to present his petition.

4.0 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES OFFICERS' COMMENTS REGARDING THE PETITION

Please do not ban campers from parking up overnight on Royal Albert Drive. The local businesses of this town need their trade.

If you push them out of town then they will either avoid Scarborough altogether or spend less time and less money in the town and on the seafront.

4.1 All highway aspects pertaining to the overnight parking of motor caravans were considered in a report to the Corporate Director Environment and Executive Member for Highways and Transportation on 9 August 2024. The report can be found here: [North Yorkshire Council](#)

4.2 The issues and complaints received by the council, police and fire authorities were weighed up and a decision was taken to proceed with an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order, trialling a prohibition of overnight parking by motorhomes at three locations, Sandsend, Royal Albert Drive and Cayton Bay.

4.3 Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders (ETROs) are a useful tool as they allow us to trial a restriction in a "live" situation for up to 18 months, with the consultation period running alongside the trial for the first 6 months. An ETRO is flexible as it allows for immediate feedback and minor changes within the first 6 months, if changes were made, the 6-month consultation period would start again. A decision on making the scheme permanent or removing it would need to be taken within 18 months of the ETRO first coming into force. If businesses wish to make comments about the effects of the ETRO on their trading, then they are encouraged to respond to the consultation during the first six months of the Experimental scheme, which starts on 21 October 2024.

Turn parts of Royal Albert Drive into an Aire and charge a modest amount per night up to let's say 3 nights at a time.

- 4.4 Charging for overnight parking in the highway was considered in the report as an option, but it is not currently proposed to introduce overnight charging for motor caravans. The concerns and issues with overnight parking would not be alleviated by charging and could result in exacerbating the existing adverse impacts on amenity. There are many campsites available in the local area and the highway authority does not wish to compete with or harm these local businesses.
- 4.5 Given the fire safety issues of large numbers of motor caravans parked overnight with little space between them, over night provision for motor caravans on the highway could only be considered if parking in the 3 bays either side of a motor caravan were prohibited, in order to achieve a 6 metre fire safety clearance. It is not possible to regulate or enforce this. Even if the loss of amenity issues could be overcome, there would need to be a review of parking policy before setting any fee. A comprehensive council-wide review of on-street and off-street parking is planned but the outcome of this review is some time away. Given the ongoing issues being experienced, it is therefore necessary to take action now rather than await the outcome of the county wide review.

Enforce a ban on tents, fires, bbqs etc as they obviously belong on a camp site.

- 4.6 This is a relatively new issue which has come to light over the last two years, and particularly so this year. The camping includes an element of homelessness which is being regularly monitored by the council's Safer Communities team. The land belongs to the council and signs to discourage these activities have been erected recently. We are looking at the best ways of enabling enforcement whether through a Byelaw or other means.

And make the parking accessible for decent sized campers and RVs.

- 4.7 Requests such as this will be considered when we consider all the consultation comments received during the consultation which will start on 21 October 2024.

As a Council it's noted that you installed chemical toilet facilities at the public toilets on Royal Albert Drive, so we would presume this was to encourage RVs and campers to stay.

- 4.8 The installation of chemical toilet disposal facilities on Royal Albert Drive is a facility intended to benefit all visiting motor caravans which may choose to call there to use it. It is not intended as an invitation for overnight stays by motor caravans.

5.0 RECOMMENDATION

- i) That the Committee notes the petition and considers a response.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

[North Yorkshire Council's petitions information](#)

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Report Author – St John Harris, Principal Democratic Services Officer

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

North Yorkshire Council

Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

3 October 2024

Area Committee Economic Development, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund Endorsements – October 2024

Report of the Corporate Director of Community Development

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek endorsement from the Area Committee Members that the Corporate Director, Community Development spends £40,000 of the Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund on development of the four schemes listed below.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At the meeting of North Yorkshire County Council on 22 February 2023 (*Council Minute 83p*), in respect of the 2023/24 Revenue Budget for North Yorkshire Council, it was resolved that, “£50k be provided annually for each Area Constituency Committee to commission works they feel appropriate for their local area”.
- 2.2 The purpose of the fund is to support activities that help to deliver the North Yorkshire Council ‘Council Plan’, Economic Growth Strategy, Destination Management Plan and other locally important plans and strategies. It aims to stimulate and directly support a pipeline of locally important economic, regeneration and tourism destination development projects that will benefit from existing and future funding and delivery opportunities (whether core or external funding) within the area covered by the respective Area Constituency Committee.
- 2.3 The scope of activity to be supported, within the purpose of the fund, is at the discretion of the specific Area Committee (AC) but, could include:
- activity to further develop locally important projects that would form part of a wider capital project pipeline including surveys, feasibility studies, outline or detailed design and market demand analysis. It can also fund business case development of locally important projects or contribute to the ongoing development of larger, major projects so the Council is well placed to secure funding (core or external) and to assist in developing grant-ready applications.
 - targeted contributions that add value to existing or planned physical regeneration or tourism activity and show tangible benefits to address a locally important issue or priority in that area.
- 2.4 Following an extensive Member engagement exercise to gather project ideas, a long list of project ideas was established. Following preliminary research this list was refined to create a short list of the most viable schemes. More detailed scoping work was then undertaken by Officers on these remaining projects in order to complete the Scoping Forms and associated recommendations which are contained within and attached to this report.
- 2.5 Updates on existing reports

- Scarborough 400: Scanning and draining is now complete, with results due soon. These results will kick off the feasibility stage of the work for the pumphouse.
- Active Travel/ Social Prescribing: The project is now underway, with a baseline of current knowledge of the Living Well team being taken in early October. This will feed into the work that has begun with the internal training team on developing the training package.
- Coastal Access: Update from Coastal Engineer: 'We have a contractor on board, and we are expecting to start on site within the next month now the summer season is over. we expect the works to be complete prior to Christmas.'
- Offshore Wind: When working to ensure we secure value of money on public investments, it can occasionally be the case that we push to achieve too much with insufficient resources. The procurement of this work has revealed one such example of this issue. Following a review of the project scope, the core aspects of the report can be delivered internally. Some of the funding could then be used to deliver a peer review of the report, creating the same outcome, with reduced need for expenditure. This proposed budget redistribution is to be found in 3.3.

2.6 The full Project Shortlist is currently comprised of the following schemes:

- The Dell
- Carrs Road
- Safe Sea Swimming
- Seabird Nesting

3.0 Proposal

3.1 A full scoping process to ascertain financial and practical viability, as well as fit with strategic and local priorities, has been undertaken on the following projects from the above shortlist:

- Carrs Road
- Safe Sea Swimming
- Seabird Nesting

3.2 A Scoping Report for each of the projects listed above have been attached as an Appendix to this paper.

3.3 Following the conclusion of the scoping process, the following recommendations are made by Officers. For clarity, the schemes highlighted in green are those that are recommended for endorsement by the Scarborough and Whitby AC:

Project Title	Recommendation	Rationale	Financial Contribution
Carrs Road	Reject	Following investigations, this scheme cannot be recommended due to limitations linked to policy, geography, and utilities. A full report from our highways team is attached in Appendix A.	nil
The Dell	Reject	Following discussions with both the Town Council and	nil

		our Parks and Grounds service, it was quickly clear that The Dell will fall outside scope of the AC committee's funds. The project will be pursued through the existing measures in place for this issue.	
Safe Sea Swimming	Endorse	Following significant and in-depth conversations with a wide range of experts and stakeholders, I am pleased to recommend the commissioning of a feasibility study into options to encourage Safe Sea Swimming in Scarborough. Please see Appendix B for the full scoping report.	£20,000
Seabird Nesting	Endorse	Following conversations with internal stakeholders and desk-based research I am pleased to recommend this project for an initial feasibility study. Please see Appendix C for the full scoping report.	£20,000
(Budget Redistribution) Offshore Economic Opportunities – Peer Review	Endorse	Following the unsuccessful procurement activity for the offshore wind economic opportunities study, the new route and proposed cost for a peer review of officer work should cost between £10,000 to £15,000. Therefore, I recommend using the unspent money to bring the Gull Nesting Towers project to £20,000 to ensure a more comprehensive report. This will allow a budget of £14,000 for a peer review of the Offshore Economic Opportunities work.	£14,000 <i>Reduced from the £20,000 already approved</i>
Total			£40,000

3.4 Should the recommendations above be endorsed, the total Area Committee spend will be £100,000 over its first 2 years.

4.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 Alternative options and additional elements for inclusion were considered and included as appropriate in each of the above schemes, but broadly schemes are as originally identified by Elected Members.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The Scarborough and Whitby AC currently has a budget of £50,000 available from 2023/24, and a further £50,000 available for 2024/25 (£100,000 in total). These funds need to be allocated and spent by 31 March 2025. Currently £34,000 is unallocated, and £20,000 has not been procured successfully.
- 5.2 It is recommended that the AC endorse the following projects and make a request to the Corporate Director, Community Development to allocate funds from the Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund.

Project Title	Financial Contribution	Status
Safe Sea Swimming	£20,000	Pending
Seabird Nesting	£20,000	Pending
Offshore Economic Opportunities	Reduction to £14,000	£20,000 endorsed, redistribution pending
Coastal Access	£20,000	Delivery
Active travel/social prescribing	£15,500	Delivery
Scarborough 400	£10,500	Delivery

- 5.3 If all the above schemes are endorsed, the total allocation being made by the Scarborough and Whitby AC from their Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund is £100,000. This would leave £0 remaining to be allocated.
- 5.4 If any of the schemes endorsed by the AC are not approved by the Corporate Director for Community Development, that scheme will not go ahead.

6.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Consideration has been given to any legal implications in using the funding for the above highlighted schemes and there are no concerns at this stage, however any procurement will be carried out in accordance with procurement and contract procedure rules.

7.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Consideration has been given to the potential for any equality impacts arising from the recommendations. It is the view of Officers that at this stage the recommendations do not have an adverse impact on any of the protected characteristics identified in the Equalities Act 2010. A copy of the Equality Impact Assessment screening form will be completed prior to final approval by the Corporate Director, Community Development.

8.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 There are no climate change issues arising from this report or any of the schemes being recommended for endorsement. A copy of the Climate Change Impact Assessment screening form will be completed prior to final approval by the Corporate Director, Community Development if required.

9.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9.1 Endorsing the above listed schemes will allow the Scarborough and Whitby AC to support a range of projects to deliver social, economic and wellbeing benefits. All schemes

recommended by Officers are deemed to meet the purpose of the Project Development Fund and fit within the specified delivery timescales and budget window.

10.0 RECOMMENDATION

10.1 To secure endorsement from the Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee Members that the Corporate Director, Community Development spends £40,000 of the Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund on the following schemes:

Safe Sea Swimming - £20,000

Seabird Nesting - £20,000

(Reduction) Offshore Economic Opportunities - £14,000

Total - £40,000

APPENDICES:

Appendix A – Carrs Road

Appendix B – Safe Sea Swimming

Appendix C – Sea Bird Nesting

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

n/a

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County Hall
Northallerton
5 June 2024

Report Author & Presenter – Joe Russell – Principal Regeneration Officer

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

Appendix A – Transport assessment of Carrs Road Active Travel Scheme



Date 30/07/2024

Active Travel Scheme Appraisal

Core Information						
Route Name	Carrs Road (Briggswath to Ruswarp)					
Starting Point	Briggswath	AADT	1897			
Ending Point	Ruswarp	Speed	41.8			
Estimated Population Impact	3500	Length	2550	metres		
Demand Baseline (per day)						
PCT*			Strava Metro			
PCT Baseline	9		Leisure	Commuting		
Government Target (Near Market) model	21	Cycling	5	0		
Go Dutch model	80	Walking	1	0		
Routing Options						
	Key		Colour	Route Ref		
	Black	Carrs Lane				
Route Costs						
Route Ref	Average width	Length On Carriageway	Length Off Carriageway	No of Major Junctions	Other Costs	Estimated Cost
Carrs Lane	3	2550	0	0	£0.00	£920,000.00
Comments						
<p>The B1410 linking Briggswath and Ruswarp would not only serve the purpose of connecting these settlements but also provide a connector between the larger settlements of Sleights and Whitby. The usage data indicates a low usage baseline currently for the route connecting the two settlements. These traditional feasibility methods, which use the expected uplift in cyclists (based on the closest available data) versus the capital delivery cost, would indicate that such a scheme would not demonstrate value for money at this time. It is worth noting that the costs expressed in this document are construction only costs and do not include preliminary and detailed design costs, lighting, optimism bias or land take costs.</p> <p>The Route suggested is already part of the NCN under route 165. This is because the on-road route already classes as a quiet way due to the low traffic flow. This would also affect the value for money gains expected as it is already deemed sufficient to be a part of the National Cycle Network.</p> <p>The final challenge to overcome with this route relates to the highways extents. due to the nature of the road and its surroundings the highways extents do not allow a compliant path to be installed without significant land take along the road. This would significantly increase the costs associated with the project therefore negatively impacting the benefit cost ratio.</p>						
Recommendation	Not recommended					

<p>Economic, Regeneration Tourism and Transport</p> <p>Project Development Fund</p>	 <p>NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL</p>
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SECTION A – PROJECT SCOPING

NYC Area Constituency Committee Name	Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee	
Project Name	Safe Sea Swimming	
Description of Project Location	Investigation into the feasibility of improving opportunities for Safe Sea Swimming in Scarborough	
NYC Division(s) in which the project is located	Scarborough	
Project Lead Officer Details	Name	Jackie Speakman
	Job Title	Regeneration Officer
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	Telephone	

1. PROJECT DETAILS

<p>Please outline why the budget is required and what are the current barriers to project development it will help overcome?</p>	<p>Feasibility study rationale & purpose</p> <p>Open water (wild) swimming has grown rapidly in popularity.</p> <p>Wild swimming can play a fundamental part of improving people’s health and mental health. This – in turn – creates a healthier and more productive workforce.</p> <p>At present, Scarborough’s South and North Bay’s are frequent locations for wild swimming, but have a notable lack of provision beyond lifeguards. The sport contains</p>
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risks from exposure, tides, currents, and disorientation. These limit the accessibility of the activity and present it as an ‘extreme’ sport.

With the increasing participation in wild and cold water swimming, exploring measures to improve the accessibility and safety of this activity would be a prudent and timely choice for elected members. Exploring the value of potential investments such as pontoons or a sea water pool could complement existing provision, and future ambitions for the town.

In the long term, such a study could form the basis of a project that will help with people’s safety, reduce the likelihood of swimmer fatigue incidents and it may attract new people to participate in a low-cost form of exercise.

Please detail what specific costs the budget will be spent on?

The assigned budget will provide for a study that answers the questions:

- What is the best option for how Scarborough can improve the safety and accessibility of sea swimming?
- Where would be the most appropriate location for such an investment?
- What is the most viable operational model for the recommended intervention?
- What would be the expected capital investment required for such as project, and what would be the ongoing revenue implications?

Please describe the future project that this activity will help to unlock.

This will produce one of three outcomes:

1. Show that Scarborough does not have an appropriate coastal geography for a project of this nature, or a suitable location cannot be identified.
2. Show that a project could be considered, but is not realistically deliverable due to the scale of investment required.
3. Show the best option for location, type of investment, its cost and how it could be delivered in the long term.

This could be taken forward as part of Scarborough’s emerging investment plan. Especially as there is already evidence of public support.

2. STRATEGIC FIT

Detail how the project will contribute to the North Yorkshire Council ‘Council Plan’ and the Economic Growth Strategy or the Destination Management Plan

(Reference should be made on how a future project will help deliver

Council Plan

Place and Environment	Economy	Health and Wellbeing	People	Organisation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A clean, environmentally sustainable and attractive place to live, work and visit • A well connected and planned place with good transport links and digital connectivity • Communities are supported and work together to improve their local area • Good quality, affordable and sustainable housing that meets the needs of our communities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economically sustainable growth that enables people and places to prosper • Culture, heritage, arts and sustainable tourism all play their part in the economic growth of the county • New and existing businesses can thrive and grow • North Yorkshire has a high profile, is influential nationally and receives its fair share of resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People are supported to have a good quality of life and enjoy active and healthy lifestyles • Reduced variations in health through tackling the root causes of inequality • People can access good public health services and social care across our different communities • People have control and choice in relation to their independence and social care support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People are free from harm and feel safe and protected • People can achieve their full potential through lifelong education and learning • People are better supported, by strengthening families or other appropriate networks • In times of hardship, support is provided to those that need it most 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good quality, value for money services that are customer focused and accessible to all • A well-led and managed, financially sustainable and forward-thinking council • A carbon neutral council • One council, where colleagues work together to achieve our ambitions and support each other

the respective strategies)

Place and environment

- A clean, environmentally sustainable and attractive place to live, work and visit, by improving access to a low cost natural asset.
- Communities are supported and work together to improve their local area because it will be beneficial for Scarborough's four swimming clubs, and a CIC could be the day-to-day operator.

Economy

- Economically sustainable growth that enables people and places to prosper, because it would be a low risk investment with high potential returns in social value.
- Culture, heritage, arts and sustainable tourism would all be key aspects of this development, building on the uses in the past, and an opportunity to creatively engage with the natural assets of our coastline.
- New and existing businesses could benefit from the footfall generated from an investment at the seafront.

Health and wellbeing

- People are supported to have a superior quality of life and enjoy active and healthy lifestyles by being able to access natural assets on their doorstep.
- Reduced variations in health through tackling inequalities by improving accessibility of wild swimming.
- Inspiring and enabling an active and healthier North Yorkshire for all.
- Social prescribing will have a positive impact on peoples physical and mental health, helping to reduce visits to NHS services and general practitioners.

People

- People feel safer, and are protected while accessing local natural assets.
- Participants will be healthier because of social prescribing opportunities, both physically and mentally.
- Beneficial to people with one or more long term conditions
- A service to support those with low level mental health issues.

Organisation

- Good quality, value for money services that are customer focused and accessible to all, because that's pretty much the core of this project.
- Well led, sustainable and forward thinking council because this feasibility study is a much more sustainable option than heated pools, and is innovative and ambitious.
- Carbon Neutral Council because any investment would have minimal impact, and could have a long term role in carbon sequestration.

	<p>Economic Growth Strategy 2024- 2029</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute to the carbon negative ambition – as the investment would have a much lower impact than heated or indoor equivalents. • Overcome barriers to learning/work – because it could be used for cold water training, or improving the health of the workforce. • Ensure people have the skills required – as it could be used for cold water orientation.
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3. LOCAL FIT

<p>Detail how this project meets local priorities including linkages with local regeneration plans and strategies.</p>	<p>Scarborough Blueprint</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sets forth a vision to create a 'strong of pearls' from the station to the shore. This would create a dynamic shore focused footfall generator – motivating movement through the town - Priority 4 "Realise the Potential of the Harbour, Seafront & Spa" of the plan is to create a 'diverse recreation (offer); strengthening connections between the seafront, Spa and Town Centre; ensuring these places are visited, valued and enjoyed by our communities'. This project is a magnificent fit for this ambition. <p>Emerging Scarborough Investment Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The emerging investment plan ties together the existing documents developed by the Former SBC, with the emerging and established documents agreed by NYC. - This project matches and complements a range of activity that is being drawn together in this document.
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4. FINANCE

<p>Will the service area be making a financial contribution to the project development costs? If so, please detail.</p>	<p>No financial commitment is required at this early stage of the project beyond the AC committee funds. A limited amount of staff time from officers who are already paid to deliver exactly this type of work will be required.</p>
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<p>Please confirm the amount of money required.</p> <p>Please provide a breakdown of costs / estimates where available and how these have been calculated.</p>	<p>Feasibility Study: £20,000 (inc.VAT)</p> <p>TOTAL costs: £20,000 (Inc.VAT)</p>
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5. DELIVERY, TIMESCALES AND MONITORING

<p>What is the staffing resource within NYC required / how will it be resourced?</p> <p>Has the capacity to complete the activity been confirmed with the relevant service manager?</p> <p>Dependencies on other NYC services</p>	<p>A Principal Regeneration Officer is employed, with this as part of their job description. So this resource is confirmed.</p> <p>Confirmed with Head of Service. Helen Jackson – Head of Regeneration – considered this would be an interesting report, and that while such as project would require significant consideration of risk, and a viable operating model, we would not be able to understand this aspect fully until such a study was completed.</p> <p>Consultation will need to be undertaken with a range of internal services, but with an expectation that this will not be onerous.</p>
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<p>Please outline the anticipated timeframe for delivery of the activity?</p> <p>Please include details of how the activity will be procured (if required).</p>	<p>Specific milestones include:</p> <p>3rd October 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AC meeting endorse feasibility study <p>28th October 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establish project working group – to include (but not exclusive to) Public Health, Economic Development, Sport and Wellbeing, Coastal Engineering. - Feasibility study brief finalised. <p>November 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Procurement of study. - Consultants begin feasibility study. <p>2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Final Study accepted. - Decide on next steps based on information provided.
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	Timescales to be negotiated, as necessary but there is a hard deadline for spend of March 2025. This means the project will be carefully monitored and any potential delays or issues raised at an early stage so mitigation measures can be implemented.
Can the proposed work to be funded delivered within the allocated financial year?	Yes.
How will progress and the outcome of the project be reported to the ACC to aid effective monitoring?	Regular updates will be provided at the monthly informal meeting.

6. BENEFITS

What are the benefits of undertaking this work now?	We have the funding to do it now, and it is exceptionally well timed in relation to the development of a Town Investment Plan for Scarborough.
What opportunities / estimated economic, social or environmental benefits could be derived for the future project outlined above?	The benefits of the feasibility study are that an informed decision can be taken on how, when and to what extent this concept should be pursued. The benefits if a project were to be delivered have been covered in sufficient detail earlier in this document.

AREA COMMITTEE SIGN OFF

ACC Meeting Date When Project Scope Agreed		Draft Minute Number	
Signed (ACC Chairman)		Date	

SECTION B – PROJECT EVALUATION

Using the details in the Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund Guidance Note please comment on how the proposed project meets the identified criteria for the Fund.

Project Name		
SECTION		FIT WITH CRITERIA
1	Project Details	Does the project meet the Purpose of the Fund? Yes
2	Strategic Fit	Does the project align with the priorities of the North Yorkshire Council 'Council Plan' and the Economic Growth Strategy or the Destination Management Plan? Yes
3	Local Fit	Does the project align with local economic, tourism or regeneration plans? Yes
5	Delivery, Timescales and Monitoring	Are the necessary resources and capacity in place to manage and support the project activity? Yes Has the project been discussed with the relevant Service Manager? Yes Are the proposed timescales realistic for the level of work proposed? Yes How will project progress be reported back to the ACC for monitoring? Verbally
6	Benefits	Does the project progress the development of a future project? Yes Do the proposed benefits, outputs, outcomes of this meet strategic and local priorities? Yes
4	Finance	Are the indicative costs realistic for the level of work proposed? Yes If estimates have been included how have these been calculated to ensure the work is deliverable for the proposed budget? No estimates included

Evaluation Completed By	Signed	<i>J.E. Russell</i>
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Appendix C – Seabird Nesting Towers

<p>Economic, Regeneration Tourism and Transport</p> <p>Project Development Fund</p>	
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Project Scoping & Budget Holder Approval Form

SECTION A – PROJECT SCOPING

NYC Area Constituency Committee Name	Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee	
Project Name	Seabird Nesting Towers	
Description of Project Location	Investigation into the feasibility and impact of providing alternative nesting sites for red list Seabirds	
NYC Division(s) in which the project is located	Scarborough	
Project Lead Officer Details	Name	Jackie Speakman
	Job Title	Regeneration Officer
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	Telephone	

1. PROJECT DETAILS

<p>Please outline why the budget is required and what are the current barriers to project development it will help overcome?</p>	<p>Feasibility study rationale & purpose</p> <p>Seagulls – primarily Kittiwakes and Herring Gulls – are generally considered to have a negative impact on the public realm in coastal towns. Their territorial and scavenging instincts are at odds with the normal functions of many urban and leisure areas, and they become viewed as a pest and problem.</p>
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	<p>The challenge for our coastal towns is that we have an important responsibility to steward our natural environment and protect vulnerable wildlife. This includes the red listed Herring Gulls and Kittiwakes.</p> <p>To balance these challenges, the former Scarborough Borough Council had a Seagull strategy. This policy document has been continued by North Yorkshire Council, and one of its key outcomes is fixing nets to buildings that cause significant issues. This discourages nesting, without harming the birds, who do have a large and suitable natural habitat nearby.</p> <p>This project seeks to assess the value of recent innovations in nesting structures, and whether these developments could be used to complement existing activity to safeguard gull populations and minimise their impact on urban areas and functions.</p> <p>Without this funding, there would not be scope to assess this opportunity for innovation, as while it is complementary activity to the Gull Strategy, it is not it's core objective.</p>
<p>Please detail what specific costs the budget will be spent on?</p>	<p>The assigned budget will provide for a study that answers the questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would gull nesting towers directly or indirectly (in conjunction with other activity) reduce the issues caused by gulls in the town centre? - Do we have a suitable location for such infrastructure?
<p>Please describe the future project that this activity will help to unlock.</p>	<p>This will produce one of the following outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create a clear case for investing in a new and effective tool to achieve the aims of supporting gull populations but minimising their impact on our urban areas. 2. Produce a robust case for why investing in this infrastructure would not be a wise choice for the Council. 3. Give us an option to consider for minimising the impact of Gulls on the town centre, but highlight the potential reasons that such and investment would only have a limited impact. <p>This work will improve the background documentation used to shape projects and policy such as the Gull Strategy, and 'Sprucing-up Scarborough'.</p>
<p>2. STRATEGIC FIT</p>	

Detail how the project will contribute to the North Yorkshire Council 'Council Plan' and the Economic Growth Strategy or the Destination Management Plan

(Reference should be made on how a future project will help deliver the respective strategies)

Council Plan

Place and Environment	Economy	Health and Wellbeing	People	Organisation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A clean, environmentally sustainable and attractive place to live, work and visit A well connected and planned place with good transport links and digital connectivity Communities are supported and work together to improve their local area Good quality, affordable and sustainable housing that meets the needs of our communities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economically sustainable growth that enables people and places to prosper Culture, heritage, arts and sustainable tourism all play their part in the economic growth of the county New and existing businesses can thrive and grow North Yorkshire has a high profile, is influential nationally and receives its fair share of resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People are supported to have a good quality of life and enjoy active and healthy lifestyles Reduced variations in health through tackling the root causes of inequality People can access good public health services and social care across our different communities People have control and choice in relation to their independence and social care support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People are free from harm and feel safe and protected People can achieve their full potential through lifelong education and learning People are better supported, by strengthening families or other appropriate networks In times of hardship, support is provided to those that need it most 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good quality, value for money services that are customer focused and accessible to all A well-led and managed, financially sustainable and forward-thinking council A carbon neutral council One council, where colleagues work together to achieve our ambitions and support each other

Place and environment

- A clean, environmentally sustainable, and attractive place to live, work and visit, by identifying means by which guano could be reduced in urban areas.
- Investigate the case for good quality, affordable and sustainable housing that meets the needs of our (avian) communities. [Tongue in cheek, but ironically a good fit]

Economy

- Economically sustainable growth that enables people and places to prosper by improving our public realm and reducing the impact of a well-established nuisance.
- New and existing businesses can thrive and grow, because the visual and economic impact of the gulls could be reduced.

People

- People feel safer and are protected because it could improve the safety of our pavements and reduce instances of divebombing and avian aggression.

Organisation

- Good quality, value for money services that are customer focused and accessible to all, as this investment could save money on town centre cleaning, and other gull measures.
- Well led, sustainable and forward thinking council because this feasibility study is exploring an opportunity to innovate for the public good.

Economic Growth Strategy 2024- 2029

- Equipping our towns for the 21st century – this priority of the strategy focusses on developing towns that work for everyone. This means addressing issues that reduce the quality of our towns for residents and visitors.

3. LOCAL FIT	
Detail how this project meets local priorities including linkages with local regeneration plans and strategies.	Emerging long-term plan for towns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Highlights key challenges for the aesthetic impact of our town centre. Known as 'Sprucing Up Scarborough'. This study will feed into that emerging project.
4. FINANCE	
Will the service area be making a financial contribution to the project development costs? If so, please detail.	No financial commitment is required at this early stage of the project, except for a limited amount of staff time from officers who are already paid to deliver exactly this type of work.
Please confirm the amount of money required. Please provide a breakdown of costs / estimates where available and how these have been calculated.	Feasibility Study: £20,000 (inc.VAT) TOTAL costs: £20,000 (Inc.VAT)
5. DELIVERY, TIMESCALES AND MONITORING	
What is the staffing resource within NYC required / how will it be resourced? Has the capacity to complete the activity been confirmed with the relevant service manager? Dependencies on other NYC services	A Principal Regeneration Officer is employed, with this as part of their job description. So this resource is confirmed. Confirmed with Head of Service. Jonathan Bramley, Head of Environment and Regulation noted: This study would be an 'Interesting Addition' to the ongoing work with the Gull Strategy, property proofing fund and would be of interest to the Urban Yorkshire Gull Group. Consultation will need to be undertaken with a range of internal services, but with an expectation that this will not be onerous.

<p>Please outline the anticipated timeframe for delivery of the activity?</p> <p>Please include details of how the activity will be procured (if required).</p>	<p>Specific milestones include:</p> <p>3rd October 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AC meeting endorse feasibility study <p>28th October 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establish project working group – to include (but not exclusive to) Public Health, Economic Development, Environment & Coastal Engineering. - Feasibility study brief finalised. <p>November 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Procurement of study. - Consultants begin feasibility study. <p>2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Final Study accepted. - Decide on next steps based on information provided. <p>Timescales to be negotiated, as necessary but there is a hard deadline for spend of March 2025. This means the project will be carefully monitored and any potential delays or issues raised at an early stage so mitigation measures can be implemented.</p>
<p>Can the proposed work to be funded delivered within the allocated financial year?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p>How will progress and the outcome of the project be reported to the ACC to aid effective monitoring?</p>	<p>Regular updates will be provided at the monthly informal meeting.</p>
<p>6. BENEFITS</p>	
<p>What are the benefits of undertaking this work now?</p> <p>What opportunities / estimated economic, social or environmental benefits could be derived for the future project outlined above?</p>	<p>We have the funding to do it now, and it is exceptionally well timed in relation to the ‘Sprucing up Scarborough’ project.</p> <p>The benefits of the feasibility study are that an informed decision can be taken on how, when and to what extent this concept should be pursued. The benefits if a project were to be delivered have been covered in sufficient detail earlier in this document.</p>
<p>AREA COMMITTEE SIGN OFF</p>	

ACC Meeting Date When Project Scope Agreed		Draft Minute Number	
Signed (ACC Chairman)		Date	

SECTION B – PROJECT EVALUATION

Using the details in the Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund Guidance Note please comment on how the proposed project meets the identified criteria for the Fund.

Project Name

SECTION

FIT WITH CRITERIA

1 Project Details

Does the project meet the Purpose of the Fund?
Yes

2 Strategic Fit

Does the project align with the priorities of the North Yorkshire Council 'Council Plan' and the Economic Growth Strategy or the Destination Management Plan?
Yes

3 Local Fit

Does the project align with local economic, tourism or regeneration plans?
Yes

5 Delivery, Timescales and Monitoring

Are the necessary resources and capacity in place to manage and support the project activity?
Yes
Has the project been discussed with the relevant Service Manager?
Pending
Are the proposed timescales realistic for the level of work proposed?
Yes
How will project progress be reported back to the ACC for monitoring?
Verbally

6 Benefits

Does the project progress the development of a future project?
Yes
Do the proposed benefits, outputs, outcomes of this meet strategic and local priorities?
Yes

4	Finance	Are the indicative costs realistic for the level of work proposed? Yes If estimates have been included how have these been calculated to ensure the work is deliverable for the proposed budget? No estimates included
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Evaluation Completed By	Signed	<i>J.E. Russell</i>
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A New Beginning



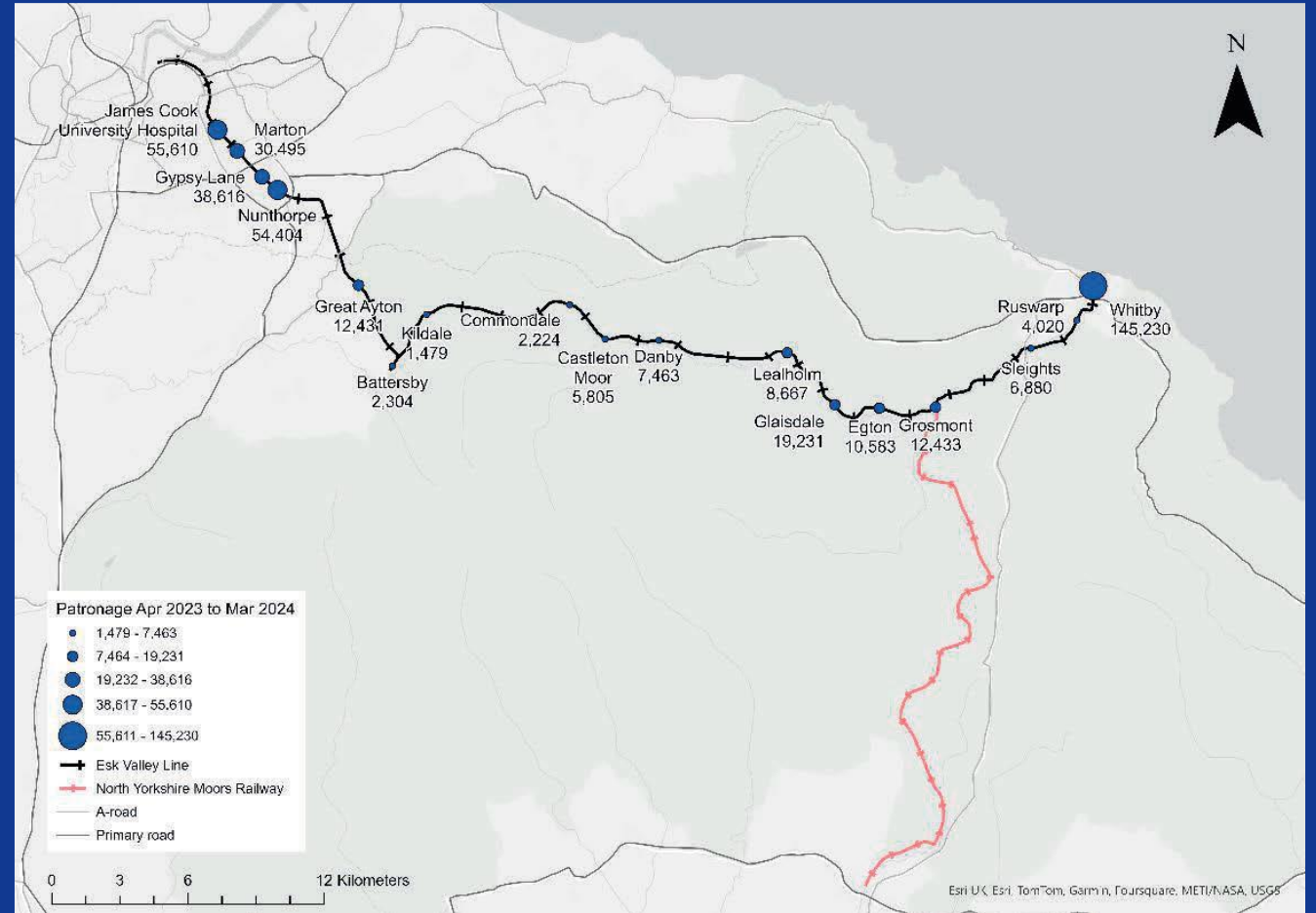
The case for investment in the Middlesbrough - Whitby
Esk Valley Community Railway



AGENDA

- The Essential Esk Valley Line
- Is there a demand for better services on the Esk Valley Line?
- How do we compare with the rest of the country?
- The journey so far
- What do we need?
- How can it be delivered?
- How YOU can help
- Questions & Answers

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The Essential Esk Valley Line

- The 34 mile line encompasses 17 stations, 10 of which are in the North York Moors National Park
- The Service reduced by half before privatisation removing morning commuter and evening services
- **Now widely seen as a major mistake**
- Partnership set up by the Government to promote the line and improve train service
- Growth of Whitby in last 20 years means the service does not meet the needs of the communities it serves
- Uniquely, available track must now be shared with NYMR tourist services in Summer, restricting possible year-round services
- The services provide year-round essential connections to education, hospitals, shopping and boosting the local economy
- Ongoing delay in deploying existing available funds



Is there a demand for better services on the Esk Valley Line?

- 49% increase in ridership despite cuts in service - **Much higher than national average**
- More people now use the 5 Whitby trains a day service than those 18 trains that turn back at Nunthorpe
- Whitby is by far the busiest station on the line
- In contrast, the 96 bus service supported by NYC is 'little used'
- Fastest growing station (23% per annum) is Great Ayton, reflecting expansion of Teesside into North Yorkshire
- The **New Beginning** report points to the commercial, tourism and social benefits of an increased service



How do we compare with the rest of the country?

- Current service is the worst in the country
- Now the only line to have a worse service than before privatisation
- Victorian era signalling inhibits development
- Both Commons Transport and Lords Coastal Deprivation committees have specifically identified poor Whitby rail service as 'Impeding the growth of Tourism and Social and Industrial regeneration'
- Year-round average of 63 people per train on Esk Valley services is twice that to Saltburn which has many more services (ORR figures) – **Real overcrowding issues at peak times**
- There are simple solutions to these issues which are detailed in the report



The journey so far

- Community Rail Partnership formed in 2005 – One of the first 6 in the country
- New Station at James Cook Hospital - but needs a better train service, too
- Restored second platform at Whitby - but it remains underused
- Restored Sunday services - but now need more
- Restored evening services and even added a New Year's Day train service
- Agreed new morning commuter service to start next year
- Won £7 million Section 106 funding for service and infrastructure improvements enabling an eight train, two hourly service
- This funding from York Potash is held by NYC but after **eight years** still no NYC/Network Rail agreement on implementation



What do we need?

The Section 106 monies spent to enable a better service which:

- Enables a full working or education day in Whitby or Middlesbrough and beyond
- Provides convenient, regular connections to health, leisure, and employment services and opportunities
- Encourages greater access for tourism into the National Park and for Whitby
- Boosts the night-time economies of Whitby
- Offers improved access to regional centres and major UK cities and airports
- **We don't need more money, we now need your support to make this happen**



How can it be delivered?

- Full replacement of the present restrictive Victorian Token signalling would more than double the current services - **But Network Rail say nothing is planned until 2030s**
- Nevertheless, the Section 106 monies could be used for 'quick wins' as detailed in the report, which will deliver the following benefits:
 - Two additional middle of the day services each way employing existing signalling
 - Faster services possible, if the lesser used stations become 'request stops'
 - More Sunday services
 - Automation will boost safety by restricting the number of times train crew need to walk on the railway line



How YOU can help

- Publicly support the Report
- Support our funding bid to York and North Yorks and Teesside Mayors for the Strategic Business Study proposed in the report
- And meanwhile **most importantly** press for early implementation of the ‘quick win’ proposals to enable the year-round eight train service that the communities along the Esk Valley say they want and have been waiting for



Questions?





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Parish Sector Liaison:

**Principal Democratic Services Officer Christine
Philipson**

**Parish Liaison and Local Devolution Manager Mark
Codman**

3 October 2024

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- Parish Sector Overview
- Parish Liaison, Local Devolution and Community Rights Team
- Local Area Support Team
- Questions

North Yorkshire Council Parish Sector (1)

Published by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC)

Page 59 ***There are 211 councils with Parish Councils within their boundary:***

- 51% have less than 30 (108)
- 97.5% of councils have less than 200 (205)
- There are only 6 councils with over 200 Parish Councils
- Only 2 councils have over 300 Parish Councils
- ***NYC has 664*** (the next nearest council has 327 – Somerset Council)

North Yorkshire Council Parish Sector (2)

NYC Parish Sector by type:

- City Council – 0.2% (1)
- Town/Parish Council – 74% (492)
- Parish Meeting – 24% (156)
- Groups – 1.8% (11) In two areas only

North Yorkshire Council Parish Sector (3)

Parish Precept

- Page 61
- In England 86.7% of Parishes in Council areas charge a precept - in NYC area this is 74.1%
- In NYC area the average precept charge is 75% less than the national average (£20,212)
- 46.6% of Parish Councils have total annual precept income less than £5k
- Only 5.6% (28) Parish Councils have total annual precept income more than £100k
- Only 4 (0.8%) Parish Councils have total annual precept income more than £300k

Scarborough and Whitby Area Parish Sector

- There are 47 Parish Meetings/Parish/Town Councils (7%) made up of:
 - 42 (89.4%) Town/Parish Councils (15% higher than NYC overall)
 - 0 Parish Meetings
 - 5 Groups (only 3 areas have groups)
- 13 (27.6) Town/Parish Councils do not charge a precept (2% above NYC average)
- The average precept income is £25,980 (£5.9k above NYC average)

Parish Liaison:

There are two teams with Parish Liaison responsibilities:

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- Parish Liaison, Local Devolution and Community Rights Team

Democratic Services

- Local Area Support Team

Parish Liaison, Local Devolution and Community Rights Team

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Localities

Who we are:

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Mark Codman

Parish Liaison and Local Devolution Manager

Claire Wilson

Devolution and Community Rights Officer

Peter Cole

Parish Liaison, Partnerships and Participation Officer

What we do:

- Parish Charter – Development, support, oversight
- Local Devolution
- Parish Liaison:
 - Consultation
 - Communication/Engagement
 - Support
- Parish Portal
- Community Rights

Current Work:

- Parish Charter review
- Parish Liaison Meetings (Scarborough and Whitby Area 26 November for drop-in session and 11 December for liaison meeting)
- Double Devolution and devolution generally
- Parish Sector engagement Panel
- Parish Portal
- Parish Sector consultation engagement review
- Review of Community Rights Process
- Training
- Single point of contact parishliaison@northyorks.gov.uk

Local Area Support Team

Democratic Services

Who we are;

Christine Phillipson

Principal Democratic Services Officer

Harriet Clarke

Charlie Casey

Senior Democratic Services Officers

Who we are - cont.

Lead officer in each Area Team

Democratic Services East

Covering Thirsk & Malton and Scarborough & Whitby Constituencies

Democratic Services Central

Covering Harrogate & Knaresborough and Selby & Ainsty Constituencies

Democratic Services West

Covering Richmond and Skipton & Ripon Constituencies



What we do; Parish and Town Council Support

- Maintain Parish and Town Council information
- Support on frequently asked questions and queries
- Ensure Register of Interests are recorded
- Temporary appointments
- Sensitive interests
- Website accuracy
- Work with Elections
- Work with Localities

Governance

- North Yorkshire Council is the Principal Authority for Parish and Town Councils in North Yorkshire for the purposes of the standards provisions in the Localism Act 2011
- It is responsible for receiving and handling complaints that a Parish/Town Councillor may have breached that authority's code of conduct for Members
- That is the extent of North Yorkshire Council's jurisdiction in respect of Parish/Town Council governance
- Parish/Town Councils are separate legal entities and North Yorkshire Council has no jurisdiction to consider other complaints, for example about the way in which the Parish/Town Council has or has not done something, or about particular decisions or employees

Complaints

- During the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024, the Council received 174 complaints that Members may have breached the relevant authority's code of conduct for Members
- During the period 1 April 2024 to 6 June 2024, a further 49 complaints have been received
- Since Vesting Day on 1 April 2023 to 6 June 2024, a total of 223 standards complaints have therefore been received
- 179 assessments completed by Monitoring Officer/DMO & IP
 - 145 – no further action
 - 5 informal resolution
 - 28 referred for investigation
 - 1 closed as no longer in office
 - remainder are in prep stage or awaiting assessment

Upcoming Training - Understanding the Code of Conduct and Declarations of Interests for Clerks and/or Councillors

East Area 5th September 2024 @ 3pm

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Central Area 9th September 2024 @ 11am

West Area 13th September 2024 @ 10am

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**Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee
Work Programme 2024/25**

Friday 7 June 2024 at 10am

Subject	Description
Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2024-25	
Safety assessment of walking routes to school	To consider this issue with specific reference to Whitby School and the cinder track following the public question at the ACC meeting on 22 March 2024 – Jon Holden (Head of Service – Strategic Planning Education) and Mark Harrison (Walked Route Assessor - Highways and Transportation)
Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund for the Area Constituency Committees	To consider projects to be funded from the 2023/24 budget allocation – Amy Thomas (Economic Development and Regeneration)
Public Space Protection Order in Scarborough town centre	To seek the ACC's comments on the proposed PSPO for Scarborough Town Centre – Paul Romans, Community Safety Manager
Stronger Communities update 2023-24	Update on the work of the Stronger Communities Programme in 2023-24, including an overview of progress in the Scarborough and Whitby ACC area - Karen Atkinson, Communities Locality Lead
Let's Talk Food - initiative to reduce food waste and make healthy food more accessible	Angela Crossland, Head of Healthier Lives Community and Economy, Public Health Team
2024/25 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny

Thursday 3 October 2024 at 10am

Subject	Description
Attendance of Alison Hume, MP for Scarborough and Whitby	Opportunity for the local MP to share their views on main issues of local interest
Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund for the Area Committees	To consider projects to be funded from the 2024/25 budget allocation – Joe Russell, Senior Economic Development Officer

Parish Liaison in the Scarborough and Whitby area	North Yorkshire Council support for parish councils and role of Area Committee – Mark Codman, Parish Liaison and Local Devolution Manager and Christine Phillipson, Principal Democratic Services Officer, Local Area Support Team
Coastal Parking Issues, including the Overnight Parking of Motor Caravans	Proposed Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) – on-site coastal parking at various locations (prohibiting overnight motor caravan parking, including at Sandsend, Scarborough and Cayton Bay) – Helen Watson, Improvement Manager Area 3 Highways
Receipt of petition	Petition against the Scarborough motorhome overnight parking ban
Esk Valley Railway – future development	Presentation on the future development of Esk Valley Railway based on a report recently commissioned by Esk Valley Railway Community Rail Partnership – Alan Williams (Chair) and Peter Myers (Vice-Chair) of EVRCRP
2024/25 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny
<i>Items to note</i>	<i>Community Resilience - Annual report on the work of the Resilience and Emergencies team - Matt Robinson (Head of Resilience and Emergencies)</i>

Friday 29 November 2024 at 10am

Subject	Description
Attendance of Alison Hume, MP for Scarborough and Whitby	Opportunity for the local MP to share their views on main issues of local interest
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)
Hospital travel and attendance data	With particular focus on missed appointments in areas of deprivation - Simon Morrith, Chief Executive of York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Scarborough town centre update	Presentation by Rachel Joyce, Assistant Chief Executive Local Engagement on new town centre action plan to address anti-social behaviour and other issues
Scarborough Open Air Theatre	Review of the theatre's performance during the 2024 season – Stuart Clark, Head of Venues and Attractions
Scarborough, Whitby and Staithes harbours	Update on operation of harbours – Chris Bourne, Head of Harbours and Coastal Infrastructure
Port Marine Safety Code	Annual Report of Performance against the Safety Plan – Chris Bourne, Head of Harbours and Coastal Infrastructure

North Yorkshire Climate Change Strategy	Local delivery update – Jos Holmes, Climate Change Strategy Manager and Ed Rouse, Climate Change Business Partner
2024/25 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny
<i>Items to note</i>	<i>Rural Policing Update - 2024 Update from the NYP Rural Taskforce Unit</i>
Monday 6 January 2025 at 10am - Remote Informal Meeting	
Budget 2025/26 Proposals	Overview of Budget proposals for 2025/26 – Gary Fielding, Director of Strategic Resources
Friday 21 March 2025 at 10am	
Subject	Description
Attendance of Alison Hume, MP for Scarborough and Whitby	Opportunity for the local MP to share their views on main issues of local interest
Attendance of David Skaith, Mayor of York and North Yorkshire	Presentation by Mayor and other representatives from the Mayoral Combined Authority on the work of the MCA and update on local issues
Use of cinder track and other routes by children to walk to Whitby School	Update on children's safety following concerns raised about the cinder track in March 2024 – Whitby School PTA and Whitby Town Council
Review of Community Safety Hubs	Update on the countywide review of the Community Safety Hub working model and its implications for the local area – Paul Romans, Community Safety Manager, North Yorkshire Council and representative of North Yorkshire Police
North Yorks and York Local Nature Recovery Strategy	Consultation draft - Tim Johns, Senior Policy Officer
2024/25 Work Programme	Review of areas for Scrutiny

Other potential 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)
- Housing Strategy
- Children's Safety
- Pomoc – Access to Services for Eastern European Migrants – update
- Performance update for Scarborough Hospital in relation to the CQC report
- Falls prevention and footpath gritting
- Dentistry provision
- McCain sewage outfall
- Major infrastructure renewal projects
- Resilience in response to extreme weather events
- Local community safety operational update
- Educational attainment in local schools
- Gull issues

2025-26

June 2025 - Stronger Communities update 2024-25

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September 2024

North Yorkshire Council

Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

3 October 2024

Resilience and Emergencies Annual Update 2024

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report provides an update on progress and incidents impacting emergency planning and community resilience within the Area Committee and wider council area.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (CCA) North Yorkshire Council (NYC) is defined as a Category 1 organisation.

The CCA is the driver for how agencies prepare and plan for emergencies, working nationally, locally and co-operatively to ensure civil protection in the UK

The Act places a statutory duty on the NYC to:

- Assess the risk of emergencies occurring and use this to inform contingency planning;
- Put in place emergency plans;
- Put in place Business Continuity Management arrangements;
- Put in place arrangements to make information available to the public about civil protection matters and maintain arrangements to warn, inform and advise the public in the event of an emergency;
- Share information with other local responders to enhance co-ordination;
- Co-operate with other local responders to enhance co-ordination and efficiency; and
- Provide advice and assistance to businesses and voluntary organisations about business continuity management (Local Authorities only).

Emergency Planning and Community Resilience should aim where possible to prevent emergencies occurring, and when they do occur, good planning should reduce, control or mitigate the effects of the emergency. It is a systematic and ongoing process which should evolve as lessons are learnt and circumstances change.

3.0 INCIDENTS AFFECTING NORTH YORKSHIRE BETWEEN 2023/2024

3.1 Between April 2023 and the production of this report NYC and its Local Resilience Forum partner agencies have come together to respond and recover from the following incidents:

Incident	Locality	Date
Thornton Steward Water Treatment Works	Richmond and Northallerton	09.05.23
999 emergency calls outage	UK wide	25.06.23
Protest, Scarborough	Scarborough and Whitby	15.06.23
Marine Residence Hotel Fire, Scarborough	Scarborough and Whitby	16.06.23
Diesel Spillage A65, Settle	Skipton and Ripon	25.06.23
Domiciliary Care Provider incident		02.09.23
Prime Minister Northallerton Residence Protest	Richmond and Northallerton	03.09.23
Mass die off of birds on coastal beaches	Scarborough and Whitby	18.09.23
Fire in Skipton	Skipton and Ripon	01.10.23
Storm Babet	North Yorkshire wide	18.10.23
Influenza A(H1N2)v case	Thirsk and Malton	
Storm Ciaran	North Yorkshire wide	01.11.23
Storm Debi	North Yorkshire wide	13.11.23
Storm Elin	North Yorkshire wide	09.12.23
Storm Fergus	North Yorkshire wide	10.12.23
Storm Gerrit	North Yorkshire wide	27.12.23
Storm Henk	North Yorkshire wide	02.01.24
Storm Isha	North Yorkshire wide	21.01.24
Storm Jocelyn	North Yorkshire wide	23.01.24
Storm Kathleen	North Yorkshire wide	06.04.24
Knaresborough flash floods	Harrogate and Knaresborough	06.05.24
Critical incident, Carlton in Cleveland	Richmond and Northallerton	22.05.24
Fire at Molson Coors Brewery Company, Tadcaster	Selby and Ainsty	13.06.24
Fire at The Princess Fish & Chips, Scarborough	Scarborough and Whitby	25.06.24
Prison capacity pressures	UK wide	15.07.24
Potential public disorder	UK wide	08.08.24

3.2 Areas of good practice that will be further developed:

- Working in partnership with the Chain Lane Community Anchor Organisation during the Knaresborough flood incident to support local residents from the Local Assistant Centre.
- The further development of the NYC sandbag offer to allow for members of public to self serve from key sites.
- To embed a more resilience out of hours commander structure by having standby Bronze Commanders covering the East, West and Central Areas of the County.

3.3 If Elected Members have any views or recommendations on any of these incidents please send them through to emergency@northyorks.gov.uk.

4.0 NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE EMERGENCY PLANNING GROUP WORK PLAN AND PROGRESS 2024/25

4.1 The following is set out within the NYC Resilience and Emergencies Policy:

- The organisation has appointed the Assistant Chief Executive for Local Engagement as the Accountable Emergency Officer (AEO) responsible for Resilience and Emergencies.
- The Integrated Emergency Planning Cycle is co-ordinated for the Council by the Head of Resilience and Emergencies and the Resilience and Emergencies Team (RET).
- The Assistant Chief Executive for Local Engagement chairs the Corporate Resilience and Emergencies Group (CREG). The CREG is made up of a number of Senior Managers within NYC who have a role to play in ensuring CCA Duties. The CREG hold responsibility for setting and delivering an annual work plan.
- The current work plan and progress of the Corporate Emergency Planning Group is found at Appendix A.

5.0 ELECTED MEMBERS ROLE IN INTEGRATED EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

5.1 Each Area Committee is allocated a Resilience and Emergencies Officer. They will work with Elected members to ensure:

- Elected members training,
- that local risks are identified within your locality,
- that community resilience has been developed,
- that resources and capability gaps are identified, as well as difficulties in communicating these risks to specific groups within your electoral division are co-ordinated.

5.2 Elected members are then asked to provide ongoing support to develop Integrated Emergency Management within their electoral divisions. This will include:

- Supporting the communication of community risks
- Provide leadership in developing community resilience.
- Work with the locality Resilience and Emergencies officers to identify opportunities for funding resource gaps.
- Support training and exercises for community groups.

5.3 If Elected Members wish to discuss any of these roles and responsibilities with their allocated Resilience and Emergencies Officer please contact emergency@northyorks.gov.uk.

6.0 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE WORK PLAN AND PROGRESS 2023/24

6.1 For decades the Resilience and Emergencies Team have worked with Parish and Town Councils alongside local businesses to encourage them to develop Community Emergency Plans.

6.2 Following the community support during the Covid pandemic, Resilience and Emergencies has been working with the Council's Local Engagement Teams and the Community Anchor Organisations to develop a new Community Resilience Policy.

This policy will be developed by the end of 2024 and the role out and engagement on the policy will be delivered through three Community Resilience workshops which will be run prior to April 2025. Elected Members will be invited to these workshops.

Elected Members – Community Resilience Profile

- 6.3 Last year Elected Members were provided with the opportunity of accessing their own Community Resilience Profile.

These are owned and reviewed by the Resilience and Emergencies Team and Elected Members can access their profile, as well as discuss their developments, via their allocated Resilience and Emergencies Officer.

7.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report as it provides information only.

8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 There are no legal implications arising directly from this report as it provides information only.

9.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 There are no equalities implications arising directly from this report as it provides information only.

10.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS/BENEFITS INCLUDING CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 10.1 There are no equalities implications arising directly from this report as it provides information only.

11.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 11.1 The recommendations contained below are to engage with and invite comments from Members on the content of this report, which followings the agreement with Members' to provide an annual update.

12.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 12.1 Committee Members are requested to note the information within the report and offer comments.

APPENDICES:

Appendix A – Corporate Emergency Planning Group Work Plan 2024/2025

Appendix B – Community Emergency Plans within Area Constituency Committee Wards

Background Documents: None

Report author – Matt Robinson, Head of Resilience and Emergencies

Corporate Emergency Planning Group Work Plan 2024/2025

Corporate EP Group – Area of work	Comment
Locality response to incidents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bronze Commander • Forward Liaison Officers • Integrated Emergency Management Groups • Share organisation learning • Locality training 	A priority for this year is to understand how the ongoing restructures affect the Council’s ability to anticipate, assess, prevent, prepare, respond and recover to emergencies. This involves building new networks of staff and where required develop new processes.
Operational Flood Plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandbag response – new BAU • NYC flood assets – before and during incidents • Community impact 	A priority for this year is to focus on how the Council approaches its flooding responsibilities before, during and after events.
Community Resilience (Humanitarian Assistance)	A priority for this year will be the continuation of community resilience and the integration within community partnerships. This will accumulate with three Community Resilience workshops in the new year.
Horizon Scanning of risk update for Management Board	To provide (twice yearly, quarterly) updates on the community risks within North Yorkshire.
Annual Exercise (November)	Going forward NYC will do one large internal exercise each November
2 x Bronze Commander Training	Going forward NYC will always offer 2 x Bronze Commander Training
2 x Service Silver Training	Going forward NYC will always offer 2 x Service Silver Training
Ongoing Silver Commander Training	Going forward NYC will always offer ongoing Silver Commander Training
Ongoing Incident Support Officer Training	Going forward NYC will always offer ongoing Incident Support Officer Training

Flood warning sign up and Community Emergency Plans within Area Constituency Committee wards

Electoral_Div	Elected Member	Flood warning (FW) name	Properties in FW	% of residents signed up FW	Community Emergency Plan
Castle	Councillor Janet Jefferson	North Sea at Scarborough - Sandside	83	56.6	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Castle	Councillor Janet Jefferson	North Sea at Scarborough - Foreshore Road	34	61.8	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Castle	Councillor Janet Jefferson	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Cayton division	Councillor Roberta Swiers	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	Gristhorpe and Leberston in development
Danby & Mulgrave	Councillor David Chance	North Sea at Staithes	28	64.3	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Danby & Mulgrave	Councillor David Chance	North Sea at Sandsend	53	62.3	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Danby & Mulgrave	Councillor David Chance	River Esk at Lealholm	39	82.1	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Danby & Mulgrave	Councillor David Chance	River Esk at Danby	19	52.6	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Danby & Mulgrave	Councillor David Chance	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Derwent Valley & Moor	Councillor David Jeffels	River Derwent at East and West Ayton	152	71.7	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Derwent Valley & Moor	Councillor David Jeffels	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Eastfield division	Councillor Tony Randerson	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Esk Valley & Coast	Councillor Clive Pearson	River Esk at Briggswath	39	64.1	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Esk Valley & Coast	Councillor Clive Pearson	River Esk at Egton Bridge	17	58.8	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Esk Valley & Coast	Councillor Clive Pearson	River Esk at Glaisdale	6	16.7	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Esk Valley & Coast	Councillor Clive Pearson	Other areas not affected by flood warning			Grosmont in development
Falsgrave & Stepney division	Councillor Liz Colling	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Newby division	Councillor Subash Sharma	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Northstead	Councillor Eric Broadbent	North Sea at Scarborough - North Bay	15	40	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Northstead	Councillor Eric Broadbent	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Scalby & the Coast	Councillor Derek Bastiman	Sea Cut at Mowthorpe, Scalby and Newby including Newby Beck	158	77.8	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Scalby & the Coast	Councillor Derek Bastiman	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Seamer division	Councillor Heather Phillips	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Weaponness & Ramshill	Councillor Rich Maw	North Sea at Scarborough - Spa Complex	5	40	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Weaponness & Ramshill	Councillor Rich Maw	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Whitby Streonshalh	Councillor Neil Swannick	North Sea and River Esk at Whitby Harbour	504	60.1	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Whitby Streonshalh	Councillor Neil Swannick	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Whitby West	Councillor Phil Trumper	River Esk at Ruswarp	115	70.4	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Whitby West	Councillor Phil Trumper	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area
Woodlands division	Councillor John Ritchie	Other areas not affected by flood warning	N/A	N/A	NYC are not aware of a plan in area