



- 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:** Friday, 29 November 2024
- Time:** 10.00 am
- Venue:** Scarborough Town Hall, St Nicholas Street, Scarborough, YO11 2HG

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## AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 3 October 2024** (Pages 5 - 12)
- 3. Declarations of Interest**

All Members are invited to declare at this point any interests they have in items appearing on this agenda, including the nature of those interests.
- 4. 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

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**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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## North Yorkshire Council

### Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 3rd October, 2024 commencing at 10.00 am.

Councillor Liz Colling in the Chair plus Councillors Janet Jefferson, 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.

In attendance: Councillor George Jabbour.

Officers present: Chris Bourne, Mark Codman, St John Harris, Richard Marr, Joe Russell, Christine Phillipson and Helen Watson

Other Attendees: Alison Hume MP, Graham North (York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority), David Mortimer (Esk Valley Railway Development Company) and Lisa Williams (Esk Valley Railway Development Company)

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

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#### **85 Apologies for absence**

Councillor Bastiman submitted an apology for lateness since he was attending a funeral.

#### **86 Minutes of the meeting held on 7 June 2024**

##### **Resolved**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 June 2024, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

#### **87 Declarations of interest**

Councillor Chance declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 7. Coastal parking issues including the overnight parking of motor caravans, since the Sands End revetment and Whitby Promenade were both located in his division.

Councillor Swannick declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 10. Esk Valley Railway - a New Beginning, since he was a Director of Esk Valley Railway Development Company.

#### **88 Feedback from previous meetings - Chair's report**

With reference to the additions agreed to the work programme at the June meeting, the Chair advised that Scarborough and Whitby Youth Councils and registered provider, Beyond Housing had been invited to address the Area Committee at informal briefings in the first instance to help determine the form and content of any report that may come to a formal meeting.

In respect of the proposed special meeting of the Area Committee on sea bathing water quality, the Chair advised that because of the ongoing testing and investigations, this was now likely to be held in early 2025.

The Chair reminded the committee that the work programme was regularly reviewed at mid-cycle briefings, and given the committee's heavy workload, it was not always possible to add requested items to the next meeting of the committee.

In respect of the Long Term Plan for Scarborough, the revised allocation for this programme was expected to be announced after the Government's October budget. The full engagement results from the public consultation earlier this year on the Long Term Plan were now available and would be circulated to the committee.

## **89 Public participation**

One public question was submitted to the committee by Michelle Naylor. The officer response was given under Agenda Item 7 below.

### **Question**

We are extremely concerned that Whitby Promenade is being used by an increasingly large amount of traffic, driving at speed and it is only a matter of time, before someone just stands out of the door of a beach hut, possibly a child and is hit by a passing car.

In light of this growing risk, will the Council consider introducing a byelaw for Whitby Promenade?

### Byelaws as to promenades

The local authority may, for the prevention of danger, obstruction, or annoyance to persons using the esplanades or promenades within the district, make byelaws prescribing the nature of the traffic for which they may be used, regulating the selling and hawking of any article, commodity, or thing thereon, and for the preservation of order and good conduct among the persons using the same.

## **90 Attendance of MP Alison Hume**

In providing an overview to the committee of some of her areas of work, concerns and priorities, the MP reflected on a busy three months since she had been elected. This included speaking in the House about the need for a women's refuge in Scarborough, pressing for updates on the infected blood enquiry, calling for the introduction of a registration scheme for short-term holiday lets in light of the acute housing issues in Whitby and other parts of the constituency, and highlighting the poor state of rural bus services. She looked forward to the intervention of the Mayoral Combined Authority on this latter issue. The MP would shortly be elected Chair of the All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) for Coastal Communities and served as an officer on the APPG on Autism. Ms Hume had lobbied Alex Norris MP in the Housing, Communities and Local Government Department to honour the previous Government's £20m commitment to Scarborough through the Long Term Plan; this payout would be determined after the Government's October budget. The MP was a member of both the Scarborough and Whitby Town Deal Boards and was working to deliver tenants for the new Whitby Maritime Training Hub. The MP had raised the poor performance of smart meters in the Esk Valley and wider area with the Energy Secretary but was confident that this issue could be addressed when contracts came up for renewal next year. Among other priorities for the MP were: job losses at the Woodsmith mine, local dentistry provision, the electric bus industry, and driving uptake of Pension Credit and other measures to assist pensioners.

Following this introduction, the issues raised by elected members included:

- The effect on pensioners of the Government cutting the winter fuel allowance and how these were being mitigated
- The better option of hydrogen as a vehicle fuel than rechargeable electric batteries
- East Coast NHS services and the current industrial action by microbiologists
- The justification for a women's refuge and alternative ways to assist victims of domestic violence
- The potential use of the planning policy intervention of a Primary Residence Scheme to provide more homes for local people
- The importance of supporting the local farming community and agricultural economy

The Chair thanked Alison Hume MP for her attendance and her responses to members' questions.

## **91 Coastal parking issues including the overnight parking of motor caravans**

Considered a presentation by Helen Watson, Improvement Manager Area 3 Highways, on the long standing problem of motor caravans parking overnight on certain streets in coastal locations, and the proposal to introduce overnight motorhome parking restrictions at Sandsend, Royal Albert Drive and Cayton Bay through an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) to help address this issue. ETROs were a useful tool as they enabled the council 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 was flexible as it allowed for immediate feedback and minor changes within the first 6 months, and 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. Updating her presentation, Ms Watson explained that further pre-consultation work meant that the ETRO was now expected to commence in November. The Area Committee would be consulted on the results of the ETRO and the proposed next steps in summer next year. Meanwhile, the Highways service continued to gather parking data and evidence of ongoing complaints for other streets in order to build a strong legal position and so withstand challenges from objectors, if further restrictions were proposed in other locations.

In reply to the public question about the risk to pedestrians on Whitby Promenade, Richard Marr, Highways Area Manager advised that Whitby Promenade was not part of the publicly maintained highway, and before local government reorganisation, was an asset of Scarborough Borough Council (SBC) which was responsible for the enforcement of the byelaw for that area. Since the creation of North Yorkshire Council, the Highways service had started to look at this and similar areas with vehicular access to explore how traffic could be better managed through Traffic Regulation Orders. The byelaw for promenades including Whitby Promenade enacted by SBC had only recently come to his attention. Mr Marr was working with Legal Services and Parking Services to establish if the byelaw could be enforced as an interim measure before the planned implementation of the more robust permanent Traffic Regulation Order.

Asked by Ms Naylor about timescales, Mr Marr replied that he hoped the existing byelaw could start to be enforced fairly quickly; however, the TRO could take much longer because there were conflicting factors which needed to be addressed first, for example, access for blue badge holders with chalets on the Promenade and the current closure of the cliff lift.

Members then discussed the presentation and public question and made the following comments:

- Welcomed the proposed approach to Whitby Promenade given the ongoing risk to pedestrians but expressed concern that Highways were not previously aware of the byelaw
- The original Whitby Urban District Council byelaw for the Promenade was revised by SBC in 2005 and was enforced historically by the beachmaster
- Welcomed the proposed ETRO: (i) to prevent motorhomes monopolising limited parking spaces (ii) because of fire safety concerns around concentration of gas bottles (iii) because a minority of motorhome owners irresponsibly disposed of waste and litter
- Voiced concern at the possible displacement effect of the ETRO on residential streets nearby (this would be monitored through the ETRO)
- More and better facilities were also needed for caravans and motorhomes

In reply to questions, members were advised that:

- The proposed prohibition of the overnight parking of motorhomes warranted a consultation period longer than the usual 21 days because of the complexity of the matter and the ability at the same time to test the impact of the ETRO
- Highways would work closely with Parking Services to ensure the ETRO was enforced and to monitor seasonal variations
- The ETRO would not lapse after the first six months but would continue for a further 12 months whilst/until a decision was taken on whether or not to make the scheme permanent
- Continuous parking bays rather than individually marked bays allowed for more vehicles to park in that space
- The ETRO was an attempt to strike a balance between the interests of motorhomes and other highway users
- The question of whether improved facilities for caravans and motorhomes could/should be provided by the council for example, by the creation of an aire in a car park, would be considered as part of the officer response to all the issues raised during the public consultation

**Resolved** that the committee:

- note the update
- welcome the review of the byelaw and enforcement arrangements in respect of prohibiting motor vehicles on Whitby Promenade
- request that an update on the enforcement of this byelaw be submitted to the committee at the next meeting on 29 November.

## **92 Receipt of petition against the proposed ban of motorhome overnight parking in locations in Scarborough**

Considered the following 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.

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.'

Richard Marr, Highways Area Manager, referred to the officer response to the petition in the published report. As part of the analysis and officer response to the ETRO public consultation, the council would be considering the merits of the potential provision of an aire or similar for motorhomes and caravans.

Members discussed the petition. There was support for the ETRO as detailed under the previous item, whilst recognising the potential benefits of an appropriately located aire and support for an aire or similar also to be considered.

**Resolved** that the committee:

- (i) Thanks the petitioner for his petition; and
- (ii) Welcomes the opportunity that the six month public consultation provides to review the impact of the ETRO in relation to the concerns raised by the petitioner and so help determine what further action may be required including examining the potential provision of new facilities for motorhomes and caravans.

### **93 Area Committee Economic Development, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund endorsements - October 2024**

Considered a report of the Corporate Director of Community Development seeking the committee's endorsement that the Corporate Director spends £40,000 of the Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund on the development of the safe sea swimming and seabird nesting schemes and reduces the allocation to the offshore economic opportunities scheme by £6,000 to that already approved of £20,000 at the June meeting of the committee.

Joe Russell, Principal Regeneration Officer, introduced his report setting out the strong case for all three schemes, whilst noting the unsuccessful procurement exercise for the offshore wind economic opportunities study. This was because the time required to compile and review the historical work around the ports together with the level of local consultation required entailed a cost which exceeded the allocated budget of £20,000. The alternative proposal in his report was therefore to seek an independent peer review of the extensive work already undertaken on offshore wind which would meet timescales, in particular with the development of the Whitby Maritime Hub, and mitigate the risk of any omissions. Further, Mr Russell would set aside time to ensure all the important information was provided to the peer review. This reduced the cost of the offshore wind project by £6,000 to £14,000. The report then proposed that the £6,000 saved be allocated instead to the seabird nesting scheme.

Members then discussed the report making the following comments:

- The importance of the local offshore wind industry and of getting the messaging right on the reasons for reducing the budget for the feasibility work
- Given the industry's importance, the proposal to retain the £6,000 already approved in reserve should further costs be incurred in the feasibility work
- The wholehearted support for the safe sea swimming and seabird nesting schemes whilst maintaining the originally proposed budget for the latter scheme of £14,000.

**Resolved** that the committee:

- (i) endorses that the Corporate Director, Community Development spends £34,000 of the Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund on the following schemes:  
Safe Sea Swimming - £20,000

Seabird Nesting - £14,000

Total - £34,000

- (ii) recommends that the Offshore Economic Opportunities budget remains at £20,000 (no change from previous decision) (now allocated as £14,000 for alternative methodology plus reserve of £6,000)
- (iii) requests updates on all approved schemes to the next meetings of the committee on 29 November 2024 and 21 March 2025.

## 94 Esk Valley Railway - a New Beginning

Considered a presentation by Lisa Williams, General Manager of Esk Valley Railway Development Company on the newly published report 'Esk Valley Railway: a New Beginning' which set out the case for investment in the railway. Members were advised that the growth of Whitby in the last 20 years meant that the service did not meet the needs of the communities it served. The service provided year-round essential connections to education, hospitals, and shopping whilst boosting the local (including night time) economy, however was hamstrung by two problems: frequency of trains and journey time. In 2016, Section 106 funding worth £7m resulting from the development of the potash mine was obtained for service and infrastructure improvements but there was still no agreement by North Yorkshire Council and Network Rail as to how it should be implemented. Ms Williams urged the committee to:

- Publicly support the report
- Support the EVRDC funding bid to the York and North Yorkshire and Teeside Mayors for the Strategic Business Study proposed in the report
- Press for early implementation of the 'quick win' proposals to enable the daily year-round eight train service along the railway line

Members then discussed the presentation raising the following points:

- Agreement with the thrust of the presentation and the need to invest the Section 106 funding in the railway for the benefit of both residents and visitors
- Support for the 'quick wins' in the report including the use of request stops to speed up some services and at least eight trains a day to provide a commuter and schools service

Members were advised in a briefing note by Graham North, Rail Strategy and Performance Officer, York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority, that despite all the difficulties that the railway had faced in recent years, North Yorkshire Council had worked hard in partnership with Network Rail, Northern Trains and Transport for the North to assess the options and develop the final designs for the infrastructure enhancements to the Esk Valley Line that would facilitate additional services on the line. He expected Network Rail to complete their detailed design work by the end of 2024 and by then the council would also have drawn down the remaining Section 106 funds from Anglo American and thus would have a full understanding of the funding available at that point. Mr North added in reply to members' questions that some of the Section 106 monies had been spent on project work and resources but most was still available. Contracts had been signed with Network Rail to progress this spending and technological and other innovations were being explored with external partners to improve the service. In the meantime, Network Rail had been undertaking work to improve the infrastructure along the line.

**Resolved** that the committee:

- (i) Receives the presentation;
- (ii) Sends a letter of support as requested by the EVRDC to the York and North

- Yorkshire and Teeside Mayors for the Strategic Business Study proposed in the report; and
- (iii) Requests a progress report on the Section 106 monies to the next meeting of the committee on 29 November.

*(In accordance with his declaration at Agenda Item 3, Councillor Swannick after introducing the presentation took no part in the debate nor the determination of this item)*

## **95 Parish sector liaison**

Considered a presentation by Mark Codman, Parish Liaison and Local Devolution Manager and Christine Phillipson, Principal Democratic Services Officer, which provided an overview of the extensive parish sector in North Yorkshire and the work of both the Parish Liaison, Local Devolution and Community Rights Team, and Local Area Support Team to support the sector. Mr Codman's team's current focus was on the review of the NYC Parish Charter, the devolution agenda to local councils, parish liaison meetings, parish sector engagement, consultation and the Community Rights process, whilst Ms Phillipson's team maintained local council information including parish councillors' registers of interests on the NYC website, and dealt with related code of conduct issues such as training, sensitive interests and standards complaints. The handling of standards complaints was the extent of NYC's jurisdiction in respect of parish/town council governance; for other matters the sector relied on support from the Yorkshire Local Councils Association and other bodies.

Members then discussed the presentation making the following comments:

- The importance that all North Yorkshire Council members understood the parish sector and how to work well with it. This was to be the subject of an all member briefing
- The importance of regular, healthy dialogue with local councils

In reply to members' questions, officers noted:

- The struggle sometimes to recruit and retain parish councillors
- The importance of having a single point of contact for parish councils
- The potential opportunities for parish councils to merge following the Local Government Boundary Commission review of the county

**Resolved** that the presentation be received.

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

Considered the latest draft of the committee's work programme for 2024-25. In addition to new items raised earlier in the meeting, the following requests were made by members:

- (i) Request Rachel Joyce, Assistant Chief Executive Local Engagement, in her presentation on the Scarborough town centre action plan on 29 November to provide an update on enforcement in the town centre;
- (ii) Update on the de-registration of designated Children's Centres in the area and their new use (21 March 2025)
- (iii) Whitby Cliff lift update
- (iv) Hydraulic fracking project at Burniston Mill update

The Chair advised that in view of the committee's heavy work programme consideration would need to be given at the next mid-cycle briefing to how these items should be accommodated, whether by a written update appended to the agenda, informal briefing, or by scheduling an extra meeting of the committee.

In respect of the item on Scarborough, Whitby and Staithes Harbours scheduled for 29 November, the Head of Harbours and Coastal Infrastructure had requested further detail of what matters members would like covered in his report. The following were agreed:

- Harbour Strategy and Investment Plan
- Harbours infrastructure including Scarborough West Pier
- Dredging
- Staithes Harbour Acts

**Resolved** that the work programme be updated in due course to reflect the decisions made during the meeting.

**97 Any Other Items**

There was no urgent business.

**98 Date of Next Meeting**

29 November 2024

**99 Reports circulated for information only**

**100 Resilience and Emergencies Annual Update 2024**

The meeting concluded at 1.42 pm.

## North Yorkshire Council

### Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

29 November 2024

### Harbours Update

#### Report of the Corporate Director – Environment

<b>1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT</b>
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1.1 To update the Area Committee on general matters ongoing within the Harbours.
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#### **2.0 BACKGROUND**

2.1 North Yorkshire Council has responsibility for the harbours at Scarborough, Whitby, and Filey Cobble Landing.

2.2 Scarborough Harbour is primarily used for commercial fishing, leisure craft, and tourism-related activities. The surrounding area is heavily tourism-dependent, with a vibrant seafront that attracts visitors year-round. Whitby Harbour is a historic fishing and maritime port, closely associated with tourism, boat trips, and heritage-related activities. The local economy thrives on a mixture of fishing, tourism, and small-scale marine industries. Filey Cobble Landing is a small-scale coastal slipway, traditionally used for coble fishing boats and beach landings. The area is scenic but underdeveloped for modern tourism and recreational use.

2.3 There are a number of challenges in managing the harbours, with some of the main issues being set out below for the committee to consider.

#### **3.0 HARBOUR STRATEGY AND INVESTMENT PLAN**

3.1 There is currently no strategy or investment plan for the harbours and it is proposed to develop this strategy over the next year.

3.2 The North Yorkshire Harbour Strategy will set out the future direction of management for the harbours at Scarborough, Whitby and Filey Cobble Landing, and how each of these unique assets will be developed over the period of the strategy. It will set out a mission statement and a set of strategic goals and actions to help achieve the vision.

3.3 The proposed outline of the contents of the strategy for comment by the committee is included in Appendix A.

3.4 It is proposed to prepare a draft of the strategy and this will be presented to the Area Constituency Committee for comment and approval as a draft for consultation. It is important for the service to know stakeholders views on the services we provide and to have their assistance in making improvements. We want to make sure that users have the opportunity to have their say and to be more actively involved if they want to. Therefore, once approved as a draft for consultation it is proposed to consult on the strategy with key stakeholders and harbour users. The document will also be available for public comments on the council website.

3.5 Comments on the draft strategy can be reported to the Area Constituency Committee with a final draft to be reported to Executive for adoption.

#### 4.0 HARBOURS INFRASTRUCTURE

4.1 The harbours are historic structures, some of which are in poor condition and are subject to an aggressive wave climate which requires a proactive approach to maintenance and management

4.2 Common problems associated with the harbour infrastructure include:

- Accelerated low water corrosion
- Thinning of sheet pile thickness
- Holes in sheet steel piles
- Loss of fill materials
- Areas fenced off or load restrictions in place
- Risk of collapse
- Negative public image and perception



4.3 Scarborough Borough Council previously undertook a number of major capital refurbishment schemes, and also regular revenue maintenance works. Despite this investment several areas of both harbours continue to need further attention.

4.4 Discussions are ongoing and the future investment requirements at the harbours are being developed, with the requirements for Council funding and opportunities to access and utilise external grant funding being explored. Members will be brought a further update report at the appropriate time.

#### 5.0 DREDGING

5.1 Since 2020 the dredging of the harbours was outsourced under Ship Management Agreement.

5.2 The current dredging situations in both Scarborough and Whitby harbours are being closely monitored as both harbours have not been dredged for some time and risk becoming silted up. Notwithstanding this, both harbours remain operational.

5.3 There are a number of commercial and contractual reasons as to why this has happened, and the Council has therefore changed its approach to dredging which will now be brought back in house following the termination of the external Ship Management Agreement in September 2024.

5.4 As the Council's dredging licences for both Scarborough and Whitby have now both expired, new licences are in the process of being applied for. The new applications process has been quite drawn out compared to previous years applications and the Marine Management Organisation (MMO), who manage the licencing process seem to be taking a more rigorous approach in respect of the technical information being required.

5.5 This is considered to be in response to the recent shellfish die-off.

5.6 The Council has submitted all of the information requested by the MMO and is hopeful that the licences will be issued shortly. We have also undertaken a number of repairs and checks to made sure that the dredger is seaworthy and in good operational order ready to dredge once the licences are received.

5.7 The Dredger Master (captain) was previously employed by the outsourced ship management company with the Council providing two crew. A decision has been taken to bring this post in house, with the position currently being advertised. While the Council is going through the recruitment process, but if the licences are issued before a captain is employed then an Agency captain will be employed to operate the dredger.

## **6.0 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN AND RESPONSES**

6.1 Consultation is undertaken with harbour users at the regular harbour user group meetings and will continue.

## **7.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 There are no financial implications as a result of this update report.

## **8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

8.1 There are no legal implications as a result of this update report.

## **9.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 There are no equalities implications as a result of this update report.

## **10.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

10.1 There are no climate change implications as a result of this update report.

## **11.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

11.1 The report was provided at the request of the Area Constituency Committee.

11.2 To update the Area Constituency Committee on general matters ongoing within the Harbours.

## **12.0 RECOMMENDATION**

12.1 It is recommended that the report is received, and the contents noted.

### **APPENDICES:**

Appendix A – Proposed Contents Harbours Strategy and Investment Plan

### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:** None

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Presenter of Report – Chris Bourne, Head of Harbours and Coastal Infrastructure

## HARBOURS STRATEGY AND INVESTMENT PLAN PROPOSED CONTENTS

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## North Yorkshire Council

### Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

29 November 2024

### Annual Report of Performance Against the Safety Plan (Port Marine Safety Code)

#### Report of the Corporate Director – Environment

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To ensure North Yorkshire Council, in its role as the Statutory Harbour Authority for Whitby and Scarborough Harbours, meets its obligations to report an annual assessment of performance against the Safety Plan.
- 1.2 To reassure the Council's Area Committee that procedures are in place to ensure the Corporate Director - Environment, as the "Duty Holder", is fully informed of the port's performance against the plan, as required by the Port Marine Safety Code.

#### 2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Port Marine Safety Code (the code) is a nationally agreed standard designed to implement safety standards for marine operations, at ports, harbours and marine facilities throughout the United Kingdom.
- 2.2 The aim of the code is to enhance safety for everyone who uses or works in the UK port marine environment. It is endorsed by the UK Government, the devolved administrations and representatives from across the maritime sector and, while the code is not mandatory, these bodies have a strong expectation that all harbour authorities and facilities will comply. Numerous sections of the Code are based upon mandatory legislation. The Code is intended to be flexible enough that any size or type of harbour or marine facility will be able to apply its principles in a way that is appropriate and proportionate to local requirements.
- 2.3 The code consists of two documents namely the Port Marine Safety Code itself and an associated "guide to good practice on port marine operations". The code was last updated in November 2016 and the Guide to Good Practice was updated in February 2018. The code aims to assist Harbour Authorities and facilities, who are accountable for managing marine operations within their jurisdiction, in maintaining a safe environment.
- 2.4 These code aims are designed to be achieved through the implementation of individual Marine Safety Management Systems (SMS) that are based on a formal risk assessment process. This ensures that the risks associated with marine operations are properly identified and managed to a level which is tolerable and as low as reasonably practicable. It should be noted that this does not mean that all risks have been removed but rather that risks have been identified and mitigation measures put in place, where possible, reasonable and appropriate.
- 2.5 NYC's Safety Management System, along with the Safety Policy and Safety Plan, are based upon the concepts and standards contained within the PMSC and the Guide to Good Practice published by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA).

- 2.6 The aims of the SMS, as defined by the Duty Holder are:
- To ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, the safety of all users of the Harbours and their services.
  - To undertake and regulate marine operations in a way that, as far as is reasonably practicable, safeguards the harbour, its users, the public and the environment.
  - To conserve and promote a safety culture within the Harbour environment.
  - Provide adequate resources to successfully discharge the Council's obligations under the Port Marine Safety Code.
  - Ensure that procedures are in place for the effective maintenance, operation, improvement or conservancy of the Harbours.
  - To prevent loss or injury caused by the Authority's negligence.
  - To manage the relevant assets of the Authority safely and efficiently.
  - To discharge the duties and powers described in the PMSC.
  - To recruit and train operational staff to nationally agreed competence levels.
- 2.7 The Duty Holder publishes a Statement of Compliance to the Chief Executive of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency every three years which was last submitted on 1 April 2023.
- 2.8 The SMS is reviewed and enhanced on an ongoing basis including formally at quarterly Port Marine Safety Code Management Committee meetings. These enhancements incorporate changes made following publication by the MCA of updated versions of the PMSC, the Guide to Good Practice, annual Health Check Trend analysis and internal (February 2024) and external audits (February 2024). Internal audits are conducted annually by the Designated Person (DP). External audits are required by the PMSC to be conducted every three years however, NYC has opted to enhance this by conducting these annually with an independent marine consultant.

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

- 3.1 The Statutory Harbour Authority has a proven Safety Management System which aims to ensure that policies, plans and procedures undergo review and are developed, where necessary, to satisfy the requirements of the code. Upon completion of reviews, any amendments are consulted upon with the PMSC Management Committee, which includes user representation and upon agreement are implemented. Amendments can be seen in a change log as the SMS is updated and the SMS is reapproved annually by the Duty Holder who signs the SMS Statement of Compliance. An internal audit of the SMS was conducted by the Designated Person in February 2024 and an external audit by Independent Marine Consultants was undertaken in February 2024.
- 3.2 The Code states that the 'Duty Holder' is accountable for the organisation's compliance with the Code and its performance in ensuring safe marine operations. The Duty Holder is the Council's Executive Director – Environment and undertook external 'Duty Holder' training on 5 December 2022 which satisfies one of the requirements of the code for the Duty Holder to have received training. The Code outlines how that responsibility is discharged, based on the general principle that the duty holder is ultimately accountable for safe and efficient operations. The Duty Holder makes a clear published commitment to comply with the standards laid down in the Code. The PMSC also states that the Duty Holder may not abdicate responsibility on the grounds that they do not have particular skills.
- 3.3 The PMSC requires that each organisation must appoint an individual as the Designated Person (DP) to provide independent assurance directly to the Duty Holder that the marine safety management system, for which the Duty Holder is responsible, is working effectively. Their main responsibility is to determine, through assessment and audit, the effectiveness of the marine safety management system in ensuring compliance with the Code. The DP

must have direct access with both the Duty Holder and senior harbour management. Ultimately it is the Duty Holder who is responsible for deciding who should be appointed as the DP in order to provide the level of assurance that they believe is necessary to comply with the Code.

- 3.4 The current DP is an interim appointment following a recent staff restructuring in the Environment Directorate. Following the most recent inspection the DP role is in the process of being permanently reassigned to a Senior Health and Safety Advisor within the Resources Directorate to ensure a separation and independence between the DP and the Duty Holder.
- 3.5 The MCA is responsible to the Secretary of State for Transport in advising on the composition and application of the Code to all ports in the UK. This includes but is not limited to the conducting of Health Checks and the monitoring of compliance of harbour authorities against the code. The MCA generally endeavours to conduct health checks of eight harbour authorities per annum and North Yorkshire Council as the Harbour Authority undertook a health check in March 2024. This Health Check confirmed compliance with the code and highlighted a number of 'good practice' areas which have since been shared with other Authorities around the UK. Unless targeted specifically, it is not likely that another routine health check will take place in our ports for a number of years however, it is important that compliance be maintained and complacency avoided.
- 3.6 In addition to marine activity, the Harbours and its extensive associated infrastructure are also utilised by a significant volume of general public either for leisure or work based activities. The code highlights the need to protect all persons from dangers arising from marine activities within the harbour or associated facilities. The Harbour Authority are committed to safeguarding the Harbours for all users to ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, the safety of all and uses the following **measures** :
- **Vessel traffic within the harbours limits** are monitored 24 hours, 365 days per year from the Local Port Services (LPS) offices, commonly referred to as 'Port Control'. Harbour watch keepers are trained in LPS, and have the delegated power of the Harbour Master to advise and direct vessels.
  - **Senior Harbour Management** are available on a 24/7- 365 day rota system to ensure that a Duty Harbour Master is always available to give support and guidance to LPS staff and to react to any emergencies.
  - **Issuing Navigational Notices.** The Harbour Authority is responsible for the timely promulgation of navigation information to all harbour users and liaison with external partners including HM Coastguard and the UK Hydrographic Office.
  - **Harbour Works Management.** The Harbour Authority is responsible for managing many aspects of harbour works within its jurisdiction. Applications are reviewed to ensure they do not adversely affect the harbour, its regimes or environments and ultimately the users and safety of navigation.
  - **Port Conservancy.** Conservation of the hydrographic regime and the aids to navigation of the ports is achieved under the Authority's powers as a Local Lighthouse Authority and through a programme of dredging utilising the Authority's own dredging equipment. Whilst the Authority has powers to dredge the harbours, separate licensing is required for the disposal of spoil at sea. This licensing is managed by the Marine Management Organisation.
  - **Incident Investigation.** Incidents relating to marine/port user activities within harbour limits are the subject of an investigation process, carried out by a member of the Harbour Management team and if required, external agencies. The main aim of this process is to prevent any recurrence. Where required or of particular interest, incidents are reported to the Marine Accident Investigation Branch (MAIB) and the Harbour Authority will assist external agencies with their investigations, as appropriate.

- **Environmental Protection.** The Harbour Authority maintains compliance with the Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-operation (OPRC) requirements. This includes the maintenance of an Oil Spill Plan, equipment necessary for the handling of small incidents and a contract with a tier 2 responder for larger incidents. Harbour staff have undertaken training to deal with oil spill incidents and regularly exercise locally. The plans implementation has been the subject of an external audit during 2022 conducted by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency. A very successful major multi-agency exercise took place in January 2023 including involvement from the MCAs Counter Pollution team, HM Coastguard, North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue and the Council’s own emergency response organisation.
- **Safety Management System.** The Designated Person conducts the internal audit annually, and additionally external independent marine consultants undertake an external audit. The objective is to provide assurance to the Duty Holder that the SMS is working effectively and that the Harbour Authority is complaint with the recommendations of the PMSC.

## 4.0 PERFORMANCE

4.1 The following information while not exhaustive is a guide to the harbour authority’s performance against the plan.

Measure	Objective	Measurement of Performance
Availability of Senior Harbour Management	Ensure 24/7 availability of Senior Harbour Management	24/7-365 rota system maintained ensuring availability of a Harbour Master at all times to support the port functions.
Advise and direct vessel traffic within the harbours limits.	Ensure the Safety of Navigation through advice and direction.	Ensured 24/7 Local Port Services availability, provided LPS refresher training to staff. Continued to enhance watchkeeper procedures and training with the implementation of additional Standard Operating Procedures. Continued to expand digitisation to ensure all members of staff can rapidly access SOPs, emergency procedures and vessel information.
Issue of navigational information	Ensure the safety of vessels navigating within the harbour limits.	Timely promulgation and dissemination of notice to mariners and local notice to mariners. Utilised social media, where appropriate, to ensure wider dissemination of safety notices.
Harbour works management	Ensure works within the harbours are conducted in a safe and compliant manner.	Provided input to external parties and consulted on planning applications. Collaborated on major project groups. Issued Permits to Work after assessment of appropriate Risk Assessments and Method Statements.
Port Conservancy	To take reasonable care to ensure the harbours are maintained in a fit condition for vessels to use them safely.	Maintained Local Aids to Navigation in excess of the national target (97%) achieved at 99.56%. Maintained Dredger capabilities and Marine License compliance. Continued to work with the Marine Management Organisation to

		establish a marine license for the disposal of dredged spoil at Scarborough Harbour in the face of increasing resistance to the disposal of spoil at sea.
Incident investigation	Ensure incidents/accidents are investigated to allow analysis and reduction in risk	Conducted all investigations, analysed and implemented appropriate measures, liaised and assisted external agencies as required. See further information below.
Environmental Protection	Ensure preparedness for risk of pollution been discharged into harbour waters and Port Waste Management regulations adhered to.	Port Waste Management Plans have been developed which meet Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) requirements. Successful undertook an audit of the Oil Response Plan implementation by the MCA and established the groundwork for a harbours led multi-agency exercise, early in 2023.
Safety Management System	DP provides independent assurance to the Duty Holder that the SMS is operating effectively.	Achieved through internal and external audits, results implemented in the SMS and re-adoption. Enhanced systems and procedures developed including digitalisation allowing for increased efficiency and enhanced monitoring capabilities. Ensured importance of PMSC understood within the context of Local Government Reorganisation and establish agreement about the requirement for the Duty Holder to be at the most senior level within the new organisation.

### Accident Investigation

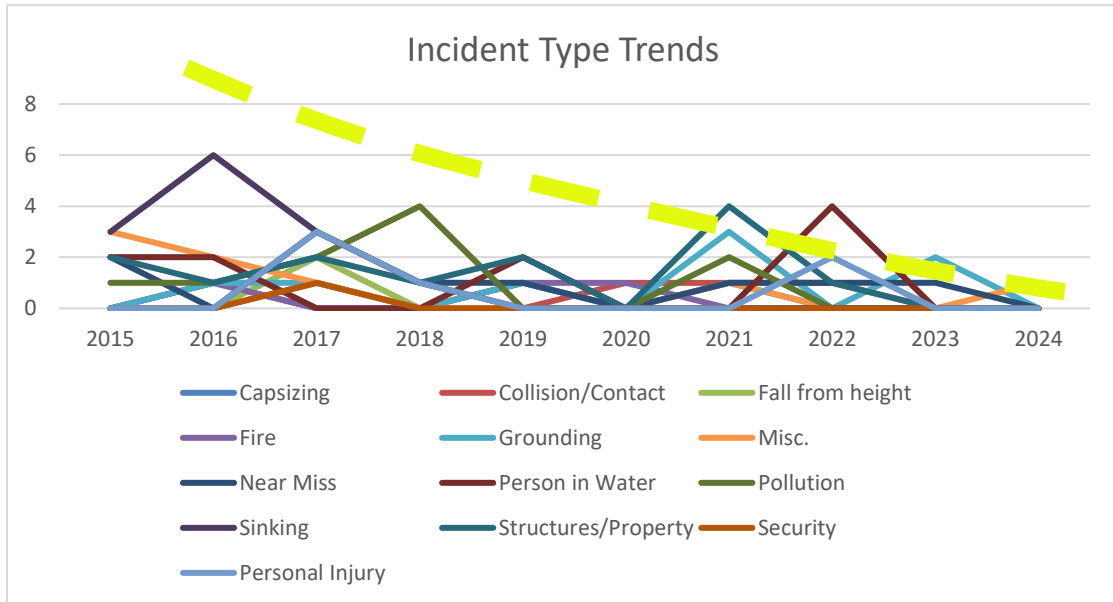
Incidents during period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31 March 2024 :

	Filey	Scarborough	Whitby	Total
<b>Capsizing</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Collision/Contact</b>	0	0	1	1
<b>Fall from heights</b>	0	0	1	1
<b>Fire</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Grounding</b>	0	2	0	2
<b>Misc.</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Near Miss</b>	0	1	1	2
<b>Person in Water</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Pollution</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Sinking</b>	0	0	1	1
<b>Structures/Property</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Security</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Personal Injury</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	0	3	4	7

- 4.2 The Harbour Authority analyses incident trends to identify any emerging hazards and if possible, implement control measures to reduce the number of incidents.
- 4.3 The effects of the pandemic can be clearly seen on incident statistics throughout 2020 and into 2021. During this period, owing to vastly reduced numbers of users around our harbours, the number of incidents had dropped to a minimal level. This has been carefully

monitored to ensure that the drop in reported incidents was in fact as a result of the pandemic and wasn't from a failure of incident reporting and investigation procedures. Since the pandemic years, incident rates have return to pre-pandemic levels are roughly comparable to 2018/19.

Figure 1 Cumulative data from 01 Jan. 2015 – 31 March 2024



## 5.0 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN AND RESPONSES

5.1 Since implementation in 2000 the Port Marine Safety Code has been widely consulted on. Harbour stakeholders and user representatives have been consulted as necessary. The harbours Safety Management System is supported by the requisite legislation which has been previously consulted on before becoming law.

## 6.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

6.1 None. There are no alternative options. While the Code is not mandatory, there is a strong expectation that all harbour authorities and facilities will comply. Compliance also reduces the legal risks for the Council.

## 7.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 This is a performance report. There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

## 8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 This is a performance report. There are no legal implications as a result of this report.

## 9.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9.1 This is a performance report. There are no equalities implications as a result of this report.

## 10.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 This is a performance report. There are no climate change implications as a result of this report.

## 11.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 To ensure the safe running of the harbour authority and to provide oversight and scrutiny of the compliance with the Port Marine Safety Code.

### 12.0 RECOMMENDATION

12.1 To accept and acknowledge the Harbour Authority's report of performance against the recommendations of the Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC).

**APPENDICES:** None.

**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:** None.

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## **Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee**

**29th November 2024**

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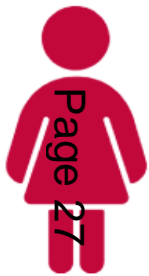
Examples of addressing health inequalities on the coast

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# Scarborough and Whitby – Local Context

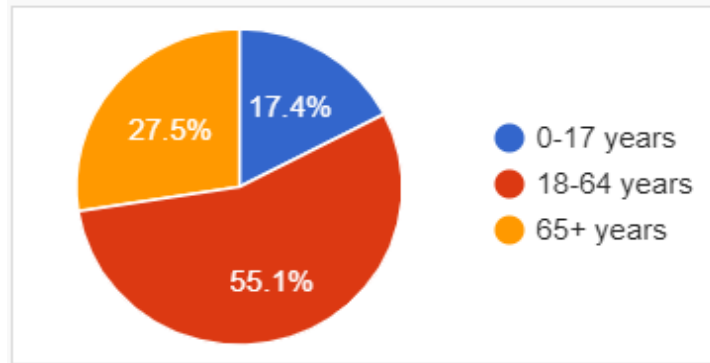
The population of Scarborough district is approximately 109,000 (based on 2021 census data).

The Whitby area has a population of around 24,400 people. It has an older age profile than that of England.



48.6%  
are  
female

51.4%  
are male



## Sex

Whitby & District (England)

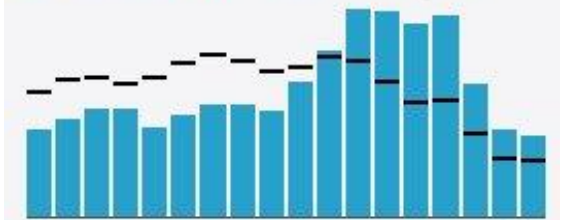
Female 51.2% (51.0%)

Male 48.8% (49.0%)

% of all people

## Age profile

Whitby & District (England)



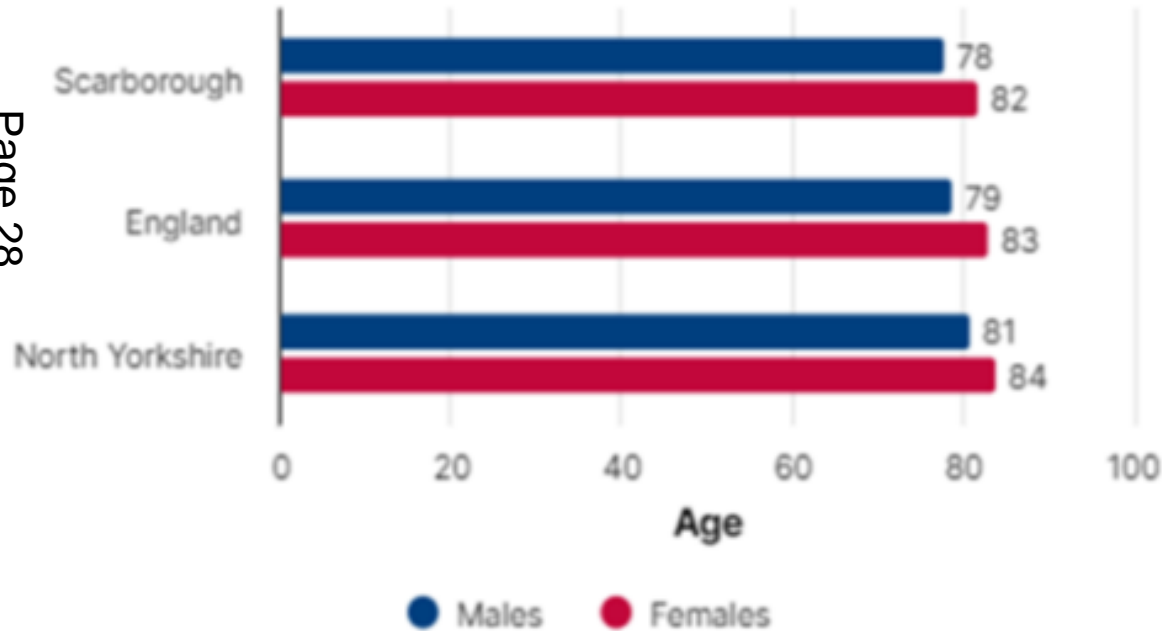
0 years 85+  
% of all people, 5 year age bands



Census 2021 Data

# Life Expectancy

## Life Expectancy at Birth (2020-22)



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## Healthy Life Expectancy at Birth (2018 - 20) in North Yorkshire



66

years for females



67

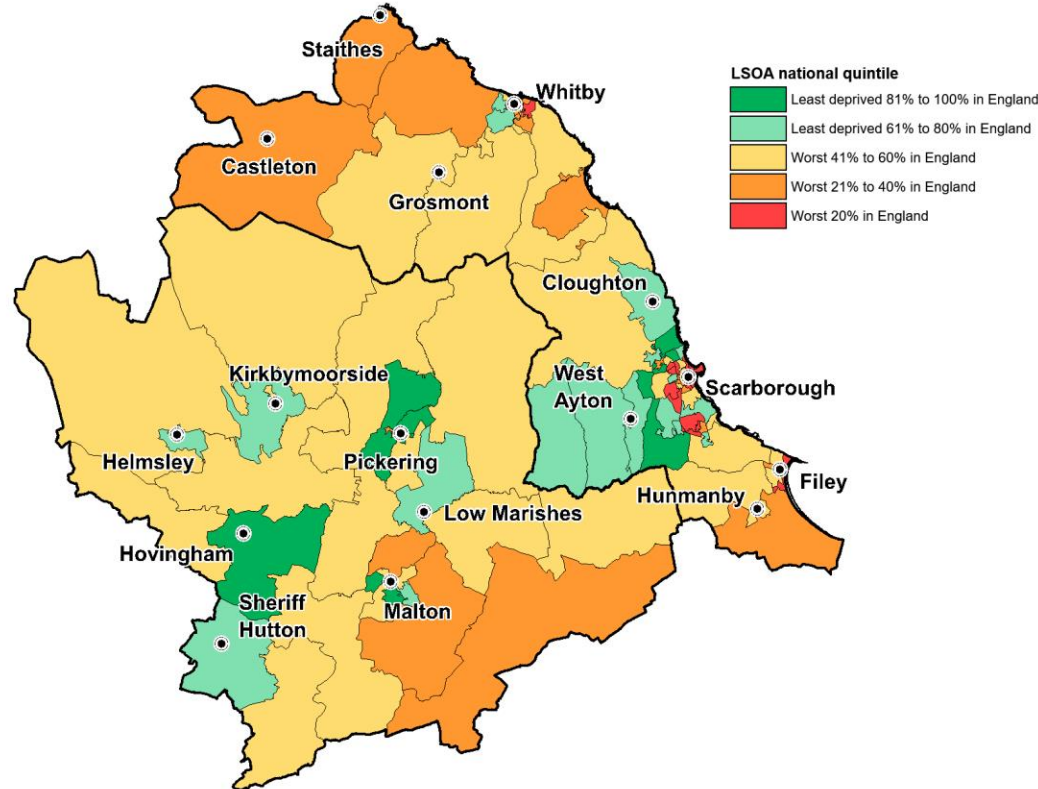
years for males

ONS data as found on [Fingertips | Department of Health and Social Care](#)



# Deprivation

Index of Multiple Deprivation - Indices of Deprivation 2019  
Scarborough and Ryedale LSOAs by National Quintile



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Notes  
1. Source: Indices of Deprivation 2019, MHCLG  
2. Ordnance Survey Map Data: © Crown Copyright and Database Rights [2023] Ordnance Survey 100017946  
3. Compilation & Analysis: Strategy & Performance (HAS), NYC

In Scarborough 24.1% (26,000 people) live in the 20% most deprived areas in England.

In Whitby & District 15.1% (3,681 people) live in the 20% most deprived areas in England.

Across North Yorkshire the proportion is 5.8%.



Indices of Deprivation 2019  
data

# Employment & Housing

## Scarborough



53%

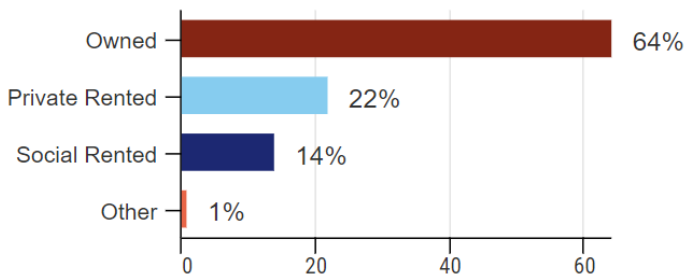
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of residents are economically active

Of those who are inactive:

- **5.2%** are long term sick or disabled
- **32%** are retired

Tenure of Households in Scarborough



**78%** of people live in a whole house or bungalow

### Economic activity status

Whitby & District | (England)

Economically active: In employment **50.2%** (57.4%)

Economically active: Unemployed **2.0%** (3.5%)

Economically inactive **47.8%** (39.1%)

% of people aged 16 years and over

### Accommodation type

Whitby & District | (England)

Whole house or bungalow **86.5%** (77.4%)

Flat, maisonette or apartment **13.4%** (22.2%)

A caravan or other mobile or temporary structure **0.1%** (0.4%)

% of all households

## Whitby

**50.2%** of residents are economically active.

Of those who are inactive:

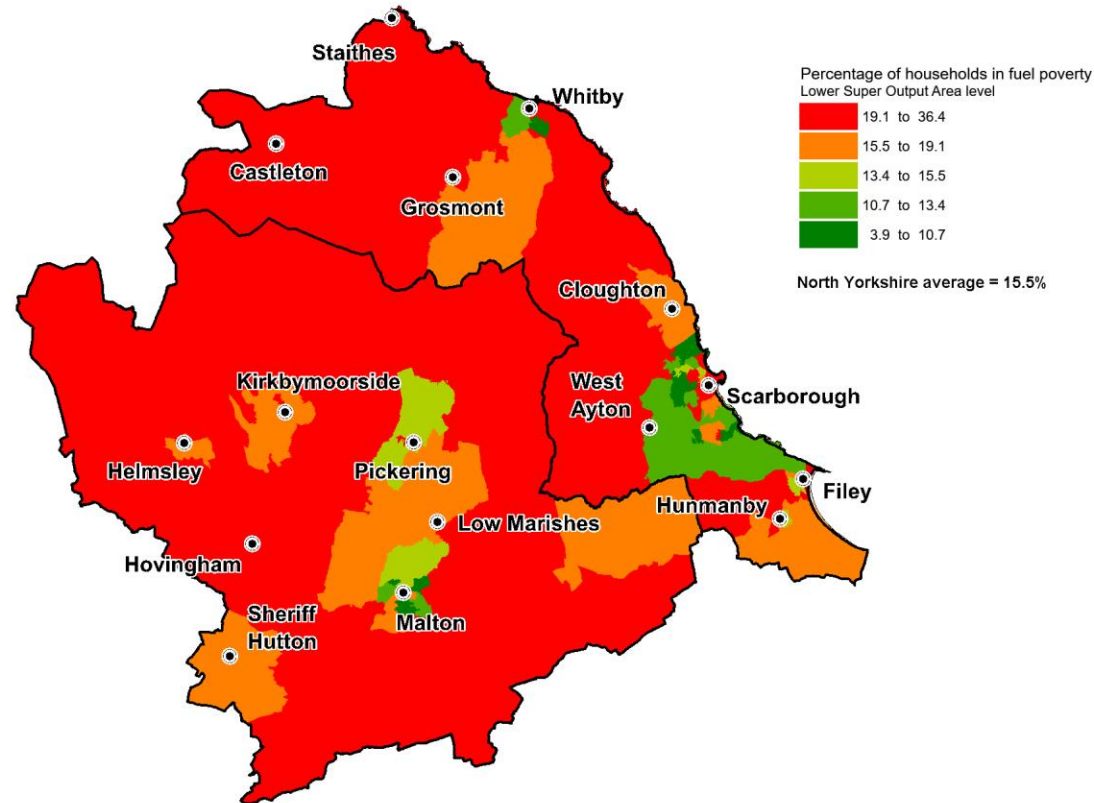
- **4.7%** are long term sick or disabled
- **33.2%** are retired

- **86.5%** of people live in a whole house or bungalow



# Fuel Poverty

Sub-regional fuel poverty estimates 2021



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Notes  
1. Source: Sub-regional Fuel Poverty Estimates 2021, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero  
2. Low Income Low Energy Efficiency (LILEE) fuel poverty definition  
3. Ordnance Survey Map Data: © Crown Copyright and Database Rights [2023] Ordnance Survey 100017946  
4. Compilation & Analysis: Strategy and Performance Team, NYC, 2023

## Scarborough

- **19.0%** of households are in fuel poverty
- **1.8%** of households have no central heating
- **71.7%** of households have mains gas central heating

## Whitby & District

- **19.5%** of households are in fuel poverty (13.1% in England) in 2022
- **2.1%** of households have no central heating (1.5% in England)
- **59.7%** of households have mains gas central heating (73.4% in England)

[Fuel poverty statistics - GOV.UK.](#)



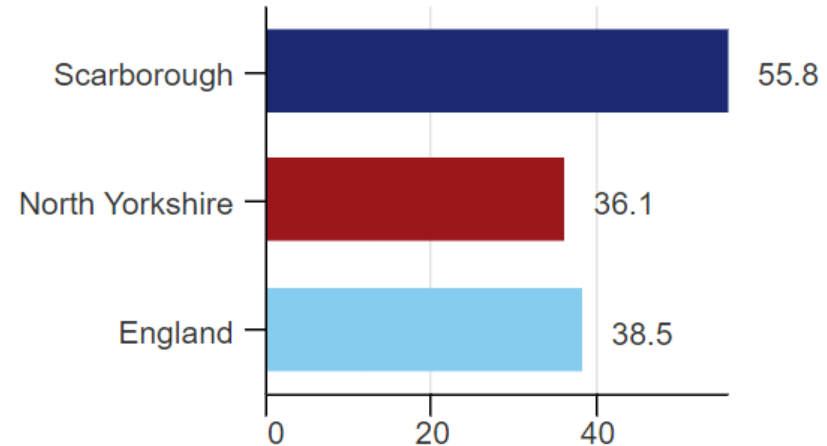
# Wider Determinants



Smoking prevalence in adults (18+) in Scarborough – current smokers (2022 OHID data)

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Alcohol related mortality per 100,000 people (2021) (2021 OHID data)



65% of people in Scarborough are physically active & 25% are physically inactive (2021-22) (2021-22 OHID data)



# Coastal Health Needs Assessment

# Coastal Health - rationale

We know that... **“Coastal communities, the villages, towns and cities of England’s coast, include many of the most beautiful, vibrant and historically important places in the country. They also have some of the worst health outcomes in England, with low life expectancy and high rates of many major diseases”**. Chief Medical Officer’s Annual Report 2021 - Health in Coastal Communities ([publishing.service.gov.uk](https://publishing.service.gov.uk))

National drivers of poor health in coastal communities can include:

- In-migration of older, retired citizens with complex health needs
- Outmigration of younger populations in search of further education and employment opportunities
- Deprivation is often highly concentrated on the coast
- Reliance on a single industry that has moved/radically changed, leading to employment that is often scarce, low paid, or seasonal

# Coastal Health - Health Needs Assessment

- The Public Health team are looking closely at available data, to better understand the specific health burden our coastal communities face, which can be hidden in the data with relatively affluent inland neighbours.
- The Healthy Lives, Community and Economy team are doing this by undertaking a Health Needs Assessment (HNA) to examine the data we have available at a local level.  
The aim is to highlight local variations that contribute to worse health outcomes - building on what we already know at a District level.
- We are currently analysing Middle Super Output Area (MSOA) level data – comparing the three coastal towns to the rest of North Yorkshire.
- Nearly all indicators are demonstrating that these three towns have a higher burden of disease across a range of physical and mental health conditions.

# Coastal Health – Health Needs Assessment

- Insight gathered from over 30 individuals, community groups and health providers will be included in the HNA, to provide a rich picture of what it's like to live and work in North Yorkshire's coastal localities – including the positives!
  - We are also gathering data on the wider determinants of health (such as transport, education, employment, and housing).
- A first draft of the HNA will be ready for comments and feedback early in 2025.



# Children and Young People East Coast

November 2024

← Advantage: Strong Local Care Partnership with a Children and Young People's subgroup with identified priorities and workplan →

### **Mental health**

- My Happy Mind
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Mental health support team in schools
- Sidewalk older CYP wellbeing support
- Pilot of talking therapies with virtual reality (GP led)

### **Vaccinations**

- Local work on vaccinations has increased Scarborough school children's flu vaccination uptake compared to previous years

### **Teen pregnancy**

- High levels of teenage pregnancy
- Specific work to enhance community support for young parents

### **Challenges identified:**

#### **Speech and language**

- Challenges with service

#### **School attendance**

- Scarborough secondary schools lowest attendance in NY
- Project planned to map mental health support and levels of absence

#### **Community safety**

- Health and wellbeing strategy consultation identified particular safety concerns in young women highlighted to local community safety



**Healthy Schools**  
North Yorkshire



**Healthy Early Years**  
North Yorkshire

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The next Healthy Schools event at East Barnby Outdoor Learning Centre is on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November

### **Asthma Friendly Schools**

- Sidewalk taken on this programme
- 2 schools expressing interest
- Still very new!

### **Babi Scarborough**

- New research initiative, based on Born and Bred in Bradford
- Bringing together multiple sources of routine data to answer health-based questions

### **Oral health**

- Supervised toothbrushing in 9 EY settings + 1 special school
- PAT initiative in 4 primary schools
- Flexible commissioning in 2 practices
- Child-only contract where NHS contracts handed back

# Scarborough Teenage Pregnancy Taskforce

The Scarborough Teenage Pregnancy Partnership group aims to:

- Reduce teenage pregnancy rates in Scarborough and in particular to reduce the gap between Scarborough, national rates and the rest of North Yorkshire.
- Ensure that pregnant teenagers and teenage parents are empowered and supported to achieve good health and wellbeing, reduce their risk of long-term social exclusion and provide the best start in life for their child.

NYC Public Health (Chair)	YorSexual Health Service	0-19 Service (HDFT)	GP Practices/SCORE PCN
Social Prescribers	Community Pharmacy North Yorkshire	Early Help/Youth Justice (NYC)	Education and Skills (NYC)
Leaving Care (NYC)	Children and Families Social Work (FAST, NYC)	Placement and Fostering (NYC)	Sidewalk Youth Group
Young People Pathway (Foundation UK)	North Yorkshire Youth	Communities (NYC)	Maternity (YSTHFT)

Uni of York







# Protecting Health

# Autumn vaccinations

- Flu and COVID-19 vaccines available for free for eligible cohorts through community pharmacies and participating GP practices  
<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/seasonal-health/keep-warm-keep-well/>

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For people who are not eligible for free vaccines on the NHS, flu and COVID-19 vaccines can be accessed via participating local pharmacies for c.£20 and c. £100 respectively.

# North Yorkshire Council staff vaccination programme

- Flu and COVID-19 vaccination clinics were arranged starting from the w/c 7th October and until 23<sup>rd</sup> October.
- Staff had the option to get either vaccine or both at the same appointment.
- Frontline social care staff were eligible i.e. NYC staff who were directly involved in the care of patients or clients, including employees who provide community-based care services to people in their own homes, or who care for people in residential care homes or other facilities, or others involved directly in delivering care such that they and vulnerable patients/clients are at increased risk of exposure to flu.
- As in previous years, eligible staff could also pay for a flu vaccine at a pharmacy and get the cost reimbursed through MyView.

# Scarborough focused work

- North Yorkshire vaccine uptake rates are generally better than England but there are pockets where rates are low (e.g. some areas within the Scarborough locality).
- Established multi-agency group led by NY Public Health in collaboration with partners including NHS England, the School Age Immunisations Service, ICB colleagues, Primary Care Networks, GPs, Early Help colleagues, Localities team, libraries and others.
- Work to date includes:
  - Work with our behavioural science team within Public Health to improve invitation letters to vaccination appointments
  - Research into reasons for vaccine hesitancy amongst migrant populations
  - Support to projects aiming to increase uptake of cancer screening programmes
  - Promotion of local and bespoke screening clinics (e.g. cervical screening through YorSexualHealth)
  - Organisation of ad hoc immunisation clinics
  - Support to vaccinate refugee and asylum seeking families and unaccompanied asylum seeking children
  - Multiagency attendance at community events
  - Support with translating resources

# Migrant Health

- Working with CYPS colleagues who support Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children in Scarborough to ensure offer of vaccinations and screening as appropriate (e.g. TB screening).

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Working closely with POMOC who highlight issues pertaining to Eastern European communities in Scarborough to find solutions (e.g. providing translated materials on cancer screening).

# Achievements

- **Secured funding:** ICB Health Inequalities Funding for a Public Health Practitioner, who has been in post since May 2024.
- **Academic partner:** We have developed a partnership with University of York, who conducted research into the [experiences of young parents in Scarborough](#). This ensures our work has a strong evidence base.
- **Young parents' advisory group established:** 8 young parents from Scarborough share their experiences to shape this work. Developed relationship with NYC Libraries service to run these groups.
- **Systems working:** Continued to develop and establish links with between system partners. For example between YorSexual Health and teams within North Yorkshire Council's Children and Young People Directorate including Leaving Care, Early Help, Trusted Relationships, Permanence and Reunification. YorSexual Health will deliver training on sexual health awareness, consent and developing staff confidence in discussing sexual health at a locality event. This will cover all CYP teams who work in Scarborough.
- **Young parent's champions scheme:** Recruited professionals within NYC CYP Directorate to attempt to challenge stigma of being a young parent. This will build on Uni of York's research, and there has been lots of interest from a range of organisations.

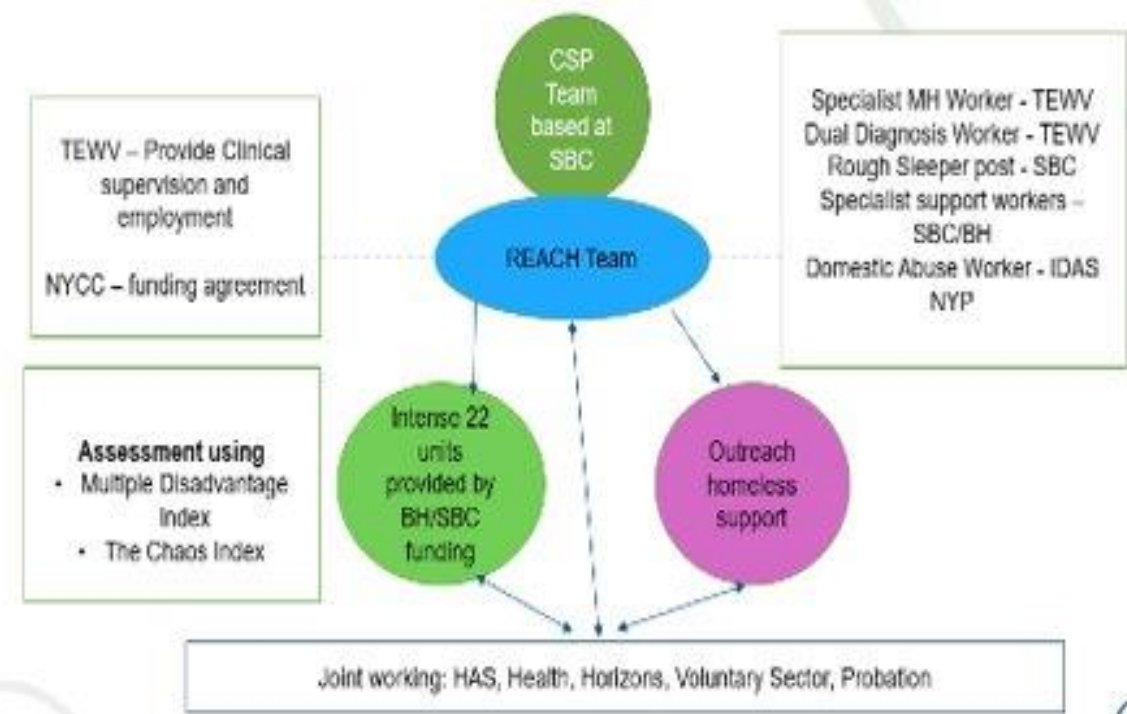
# Examples of addressing health inequalities on the coast

# REACH Project

- Reducing
- Exclusion for
- Adults with
- Complex
- Housing needs

3-year service to provide dedicated units and intensive and community support to people who are currently homeless or likely to be made homeless due to a range of social and long term health needs including

- mental health/substance misuse,
- physical health needs or
- because of their criminal activity or anti-social behaviour.



## Successes

- Hep C screening and advice
- Harm reduction (embedded practice)
- Sexual health
- Think On coaching
- System Influence
- Trauma informed care



# REACH Project

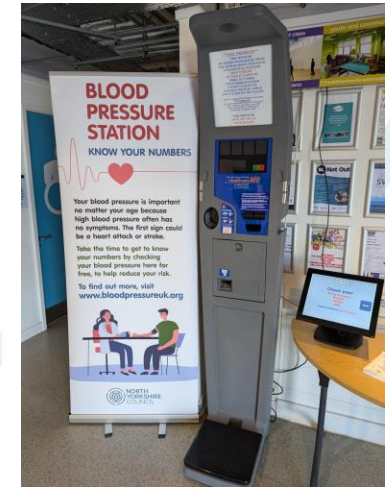
## Published pathway of engagement

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# Know Your Numbers

- Funded through ICB Health Inequalities funding and the aim is to improve awareness of blood pressure and increase the number of people having their blood pressure checked.
- 2 x public events at Scarborough Sports Village before Scarborough Athletic FC match during **KYN Week 2023 & 2024**
- First community-based self-service 'pressure station' launched in Whitby library in **March 2024**
  - 30 libraries and supermobile library had pressure stations during KYN Week 2024. 26 libraries to continue with this offer.
- Health kiosk installed at The Street in Scarborough in **June 2024**
- 6 x NYC staff events delivered by Occupational Health, 4 on the coast:
  - Castle House (Scarborough), Eastfield Highways Depot, Scarborough Town Hall and Whitby Highways Depot
- Over **600** people have had their BP checked so far
  - **242** of which had theirs actively checked
  - At least **166** people have been advised to go to their local community pharmacy for follow up



Whitby: New library blood pressure scheme launched

© 11 April



The new scheme is a pilot at Whitby Library, which includes a blood pressure station for people to pop-in and use



# CVD checks in workplaces

- Successful in gaining funding from the DHSC to deliver a short-term pilot (up to March 2025)
  - Aim is to assess viability of health checks in the workplace
  - Target groups are those who are less likely to access health checks through traditional routes, such as routine and manual workers
- 2 providers:
- NYC Occupational Health – focus on NYC staff countywide
  - NHS provider – focus on external workplaces in Scarborough and Ryedale
- Delivery commenced early October 2024 for Occupational Health, early November 2024 for NHS provider
  - Maximum of 1,440 checks to be delivered



Funded by  
UK Government

## FREE Heart Health Checks available for staff

Free Heart Health Checks are coming here to help you find out about your heart health and risk of heart attack or stroke.

These life-saving checks with a health professional last 20 minutes and include:

- ✓ a discussion about your health, family history of coronary heart disease, how much you drink and smoke
- ✓ blood pressure check
- ✓ cholesterol and blood sugar finger-prick test
- ✓ height and weight measurement
- ✓ an assessment to check your risk of developing a heart attack or stroke in the next 10 years
- ✓ personalised advice to make healthy lifestyle choices
- ✓ signposting support to other services

These results will not be shared with any third party without your consent.

Speak to your line manager about how to access your check.

They will be able to provide further details on upcoming clinics and book you in for your Heart Health Check.

Date and time of upcoming clinic:

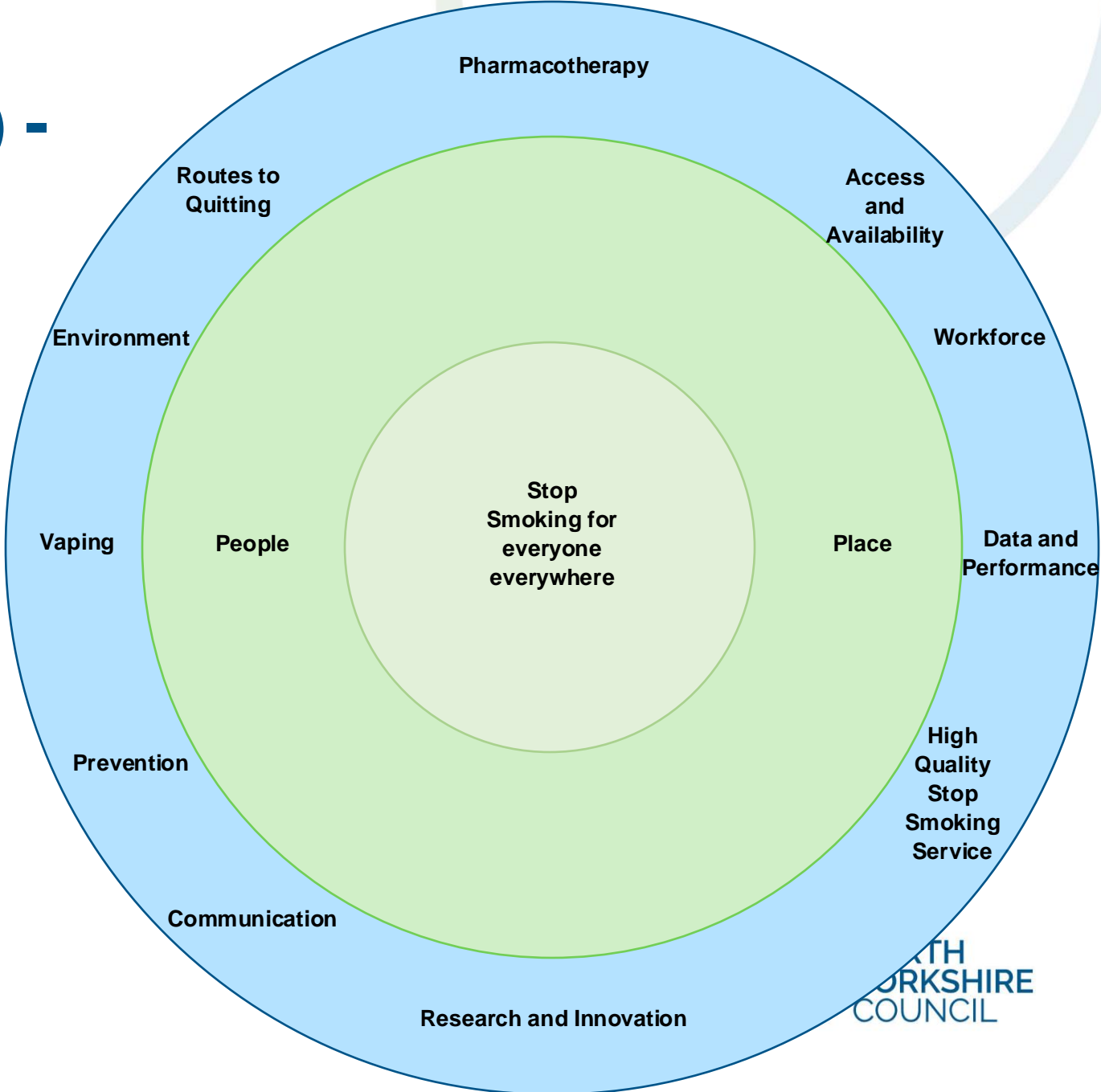


This programme is part of a national pilot programme funded by the Department of Health and Social Care to help deliver cardiovascular disease (CVD) checks in workplaces across North Yorkshire by the end of March 2025.

# Tobacco Control Strategic Framework (2025 onwards) - DRAFT

**Aim: to provide a high-quality stop smoking service**  
 Focused on priority groups and place-based action

1. Intelligence led (use of population data sources including performance data)
2. Informed by insights and evidence base
3. Delivered by a talented, resilient competent workforce
4. Providing an easily accessible and user-friendly customer facing front door
5. Providing access to a range of tailored advice, support and treatment options for all ages
6. Speedy access to a range of pharmacotherapy including e-cigarettes to support quit attempts
7. Implementing innovative practice using lived and living experience the
8. Evaluative and reflective
9. Communication of messages that drive behavioural change
10. Harnessing community assets to drive referrals and sustain quit success
11. Collaborative working across clinical pathways



## The current offer

- 12 week stop smoking programme including behavioural support and access to evidence-based stop smoking medications
- People are 3 times more likely to quit and stay quit if they access this combination
- Provided by specialist, trained stop smoking advisors
- Available to ages 12 and upwards
- Free if exempt from prescription charges otherwise prescription charges apply
- E-cigarette friendly service
- Service is available however many times it takes to quit, no cap.
- Face to face/remote/hybrid consultations available
- 5 lead advisors working with priority populations

# Priority populations

Mental Health

Substance  
Misuse

Pregnancy

Long Term  
Conditions

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Social Housing

Low Income/Debt  
Advice

Homelessness

Routine &  
Manual

Criminal Justice  
System

LGBTQ+

Young People &  
Prevention

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**LivingWell**  
Smokefree

# Funding

Living Well Smokefree have benefitted from national funding aimed at creating a smokefree generation. The Government has provided a framework that Local Authorities must apply to meet the objectives of this funding.

Page 55 This framework is based on Public Health evidence of local stop smoking interventions and has a focus on strengthening resources, capacity and enhancing infrastructure. The funding could be used for:

1. Leadership, coordination and commissioning
2. Increasing local resources to help people quit
3. Building demand for local stop smoking service support and services

# Next Steps/Future developments

- Adult smoking prevalence in NY is currently 9.6%, the aim is to get below 5%
- Recruitment and increase of team capacity is almost complete with one vacancy in the Harrogate area
- Transformation programme for the service focusing on:
  - Staff culture
  - Workforce development
  - Service communications
  - Review of pathways into the service
  - Conducting behavioural insights work alongside Public Health to inform the focus of our work





# Director of Public Health Annual Report (DPHAR)

## Healthy Ageing

# Context

North Yorkshire has more people aged over 65 (25%) than the England average (18%) (Census 2021 data)

- will increase to 33% by 2043 (Census 2021 data)
- 49.3% of population are over 50 (Census 2021 data)
- 200,000 extra GP appointments a year needed in NY by 2035 (Humber and North Yorkshire ICB data).

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CMO report: “The NHS, social care central and local government must start planning more systematically on the basis of where the population will age in the future”



Talking with older people



What works?

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North Yorkshire data



Agreed priorities



1. Health and reducing inequalities

2. Housing

3. Employment and financial security

4. Making North Yorkshire an age-friendly place



# North Yorkshire is an age friendly place

- Embedding healthy ageing into work around localities – access to activities, volunteering and community anchor organisations
- Celebrating the contribution older people make – valuable not vulnerable. Challenging ageism and no more wrinkly hands pictures
- Developing intergenerational programmes
- Digital inclusion work
- Accessible venues, age friendly seating
- Work with older people to increase uptake of bus passes and access to transport
- Embedding the voice of older people in everything that we do – age-friendly network

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“I sometimes find it hard to get information as phoning people is now less effective or takes a long time on hold”

“Area has a good community spirit with a lot of opportunities for different activities. This though is reliant on the hard work, enthusiasm and commitment of local organisations.”



# Any Questions?

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## Scarborough Cross-Council Task Force

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### **Background**

With a significant amount of activity taking place in Scarborough to address a variety of priorities in the town, there are numerous council services working across different groups and boards – some internal, and others also including external stakeholders.

With the large number of groups established (currently over 18), there can sometimes be a duplication of work and meetings, or some activities can come into conflict with the actions of another group. With North Yorkshire Council (NYC) being established as a new unitary authority, there is a clear opportunity to remove duplication across groups and ensure activity is better coordinated amongst services in order to drive forward improvements for Scarborough.

### **Scarborough Cross-Council Task Force**

To oversee the coordination of NYC activity, it is proposed that a Scarborough Cross-Council Task Force be established as an internal officer group to regularly meet, discuss and coordinate activities in Scarborough. This group will be chaired by Rachel Joyce, Assistant Chief Executive – Local Engagement.

The Task Force will primarily focus on the geography of Scarborough Town Centre, due to the concentration of issues and impact the town centre has for the wider economic and social success of Scarborough. However, if other issues or opportunities occur outside the town centre, the Task Force can consider this.

### **Objectives:**

For the initial 12 months, the Task Force will focus on the following objectives to drive its work:

- To understand the breadth of projects, programmes and activity already underway in Scarborough to remove duplication and develop a more holistic approach to resolving issues in the town centre.
- Coordinate the Council's efforts and resources in Scarborough to maximise impact where possible, particularly in response to the priorities identified through the recent Let's Talk Scarborough consultation.
- Provide reassurance to residents, businesses and partners that the Council is acting and listening to stakeholders' concerns, including the development of a specific NYC comms plan for Scarborough.
- Identify the most 'demand intensive' areas of work and target activity to reduce demand on Council services.
- Look to maximise the value and input of partners, including the voluntary and community sector.

To support the objectives outlined above, actions already underway at service level will be identified against the objectives. After the first 12 months, the objectives will be reviewed.

### **Membership:**

It is proposed that the Task Force will meet monthly and include representation from the following Council services:

- Waste & Street Scene
- Community Safety
- Highways
- Tourism
- Economic Development
- Regeneration
- Public Health
- Adult Social Care
- Children Social Care
- Strategy and Performance
- Parking
- Coastal Infrastructure and Harbours
- Communications
- Parks & Grounds
- Planning
- Environmental Enforcement
- Localities
- Housing

Through the representation of the teams above, the Cross-Council Task Force will link-in and support other Scarborough based groups or partnerships, including the Scarborough Towns Board, the Town Centre Team, the South Bay Summit, and the Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee.

**Focus:**

Members of the Task Force will challenge themselves to address the fundamental issues in the town and identify how services can better come together to tackle long-term issues, including:

- Rough sleeping and homelessness;
- Anti-Social Behaviour;
- The private rented sector and temporary accommodation;
- The high street, including the look and feel of the town centre;
- Alcohol and substance misuse;
- Regeneration opportunities;
- The visitor economy.

To focus the initial activities of the Task Force, three key issues are proposed as the priority areas. These are:

1. Improving the 'on-street' look and feel of the town centre.
2. Enabling residents and visitors to feel safer in Scarborough.
3. Identifying how services can be better joined up to support young or vulnerable residents.

The creation of an action plan will initially be structured around these three priority areas.

As referenced in the objectives, the Task Force will also engage with the priorities identified by the Let's Talk Scarborough consultation, and how Council services can better link in with future areas of work associated with the York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority, for example, Town Plans.

The Task Force is designed to bring services together and focus on specific challenges. Therefore, it should be noted that although the Task Force will coordinate services on specific issues or opportunities, it will not be the main driver for regular operational actions taken at service level Scarborough.

Engagement on the potential work of the Task Force has already taken place key partners in the town. Looking forward, the Chair of the Task Force will ensure that key stakeholders, including local members and business leaders, are regularly engaged on the activities and progress of the Task Force.



## North Yorkshire Council

### Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

29 November 2024

### Scarborough Open Air Theatre Performance Report 2024

### Report of the Corporate Director Community Development

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report provides an overview of the impact of the 2024 season at Scarborough Open Air Theatre

#### 2.0 SUMMARY

2.1 The report provides the following information regarding the performance and impact of the Scarborough Open Air Theatre in 2024

- Background information
- Review of the 2024 season
- Number of tickets sold split into travel duration.
- Estimated economic benefit.
- Additional spending
- Other events within the venue

#### 3.0 BACKGROUND

3.1 Scarborough's Open Air Theatre was built by Scarborough Corporation in the 1930's. The Lord Mayor of London opened the Open Air Theatre in Northstead Manor Gardens in 1932, and audiences flocked to see 'Merrie England', the first production to be staged at the outdoor venue.

3.2 Following its closure in 1986 Scarborough Borough Council invested £3.5m in restoring the venue, commencing works in 2009. Following a major refurbishment, the late HM The Queen accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh officially opened the newly refurbished Scarborough Open Air Theatre on 20 May 2010.

3.3 Since its official re-opening, the Scarborough OAT has played host to some of the music industry's biggest stars, including Elton John, Britney Spears, Gary Barlow, Kylie, Noel Gallagher, Lionel Richie, Nile Rodgers & CHIC, Biffy Clyro, Little Mix, Lewis Capaldi, Christina Aguilera, Tom Jones, Bryan Adams, Hollywood Vampires, Pulp, Blondie, Rag n Bone Man and many more. Sales have shown an upward trend with 2024 breaking all records for season sales.

#### 4.0 REVIEW OF THE 2024 SEASON & ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT

4.1 In 2024 there were 18 concerts at Scarborough Open Air Theatre with attendances reaching 116,606. This is the highest number of tickets sold for a single season of concerts at the Open Air Theatre since reopening.

4.2 A standard methodology to estimate the economic benefit of the venue has been used for a number of years and has been adapted to reflect the increased knowledge around people's habits when attending a show. The methodology is based on assumptions about likely behaviour in terms of day trips v overnight stays as shown in the table below:-

Duration of Travel in hours	% of ticket sales that stayed 1 night	% of ticket sales that returned home
Up to 1 hours	10	90
1-2 hours	20	80
2-3 hours	50	50
3-4 hours	70	30
over 4 hours	100	0

4.3 In 2024, having fully analysed Post Code Data from Ticketmaster the following durations of travel have been established for concert attendees.

Duration of Travel	Tickets Sold
0 - 1 hours	35,551
1 - 2 hours	40,950
2 - 3 hours	31,062
3 - 4 hours	2,636
Over 4 hours	6,407
<b>Total Tickets</b>	<b>116,606</b>

4.4 Applying the assumptions based on travel time and using the STEAM data for calculating the value, shows an estimated value of the Open Air Theatre to the local economy in excess of £8.5million as shown in the table below. It is important to note that these figures do not take into account the cost of ticket sales or spend per head when inside the venue.

Duration of Travel in hours	% of ticket sales that stayed 1 night	% of ticket sales that returned home	Tickets per band	STEAM Spend Data	Total Value of Concerts
Up to 1 hours	10		3,555	£114.43	£406,798.65
		90	31,996	£54.72	£1,750,821.12
1-2 hours	20		8,190	£114.43	£937,181.70
		80	32,760	£54.72	£1,792,627.20
2-3 hours	50		15,531	£114.43	£1,777,212.33
		50	15,531	£54.72	£849,856.32
3-4 hours	70		1,845	£114.43	£211,123.35
		30	791	£54.72	£43,283.52

<b>over 4 hours</b>	100		6,407	£114.43	£733,153.01
		0	0	£54.72	£0.00
			<b>116,606</b>		<b>£8,502,057.20</b>

4.5 The Open Air Theatre is now becoming one of the more attractive medium sized venues on the music touring circuit regularly attracting arena style acts through the partnership arrangement with Cuffe and Taylor (part of the Live Nation family). This brings wider benefits to the local area and economy, including:

- Tourism benefits from the shows themselves and also generating new visits and repeat visits to the local region.

In addition, clear benefits are evident in a number of private sectors such as

- Hotels, B&B's and Guest House – many reports that they are full as soon as shows are announced in addition there are some establishments that offer a minimum 2-night stays on concert nights.
- Local Public House – report the significant increase in customers on show nights.
- Taxis – using the dedicated pick-up area are heavily utilised.
- Buses – Shoreline Sun cruisers run a number of services after the shows.
- Local Eateries / Takeaways – extremely busy around the town
- Backstage Catering and Supplies – all artist riders for the season have been purchased from local supermarkets.
- Local Catering Company – a local catering company are employed to provide food on all show days for the artist and crews.

4.6 There are also other very significant contributions made to employment in the area directly from the OAT. Each year (2024 figures) we spend money on the following.

- Electrical works (£10,000)
- Security, Safety & Medical Teams (£299,193)
- Toilet hire (£77,250)
- Box Office Staff (£45,000)
- Noise Monitoring Staff (£25,110)
- Local Catering Concessions (on show nights)

4.7 The following groups of people are employed at the venue by contractors.

- Bar & Catering staff – the majority are local. (£370k)
- Local Crew and riggers (£225K)
- Agents and Promoters and associated hotel stays. (£65,000)

4.8 In addition Scarborough Open Air Theatre will once again host Scarborough Sparkle. A 3-day Christmas Market at the venue which has grown year on year in both size and attendances. This well received event is now a regular feature on the calendar as the area prepares for Christmas attracting audiences of around 25,000 each year.

4.9 Throughout the winter the venue also hosts Scarborough's unique 'The Tipi Venue' offering weddings, Oktoberfest, parties and other functions throughout the winter months.

4.10 In 2025, building on the success of Scarborough Sparkle Christmas Market we will also be hosting a Scarborough Food and Drink Festival on 12 & 13 April.

## 5.0 CONTRIBUTION TO COUNCIL PRIORITIES

5.1 AS a vibrant cultural venue, the Open Air Theatre contributes to the Council Plan Priority “Economy”, The venue supports tourism and wider economic benefits for the area, supporting local businesses and employing local people.

## 6.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

6.1 There are no alternative options to consider from this report as it provides information only.

## 7.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The budget for the operation of the Open Air Theatre for 2024/25 is £171,500. However, the forecast after Q2 is of a spend of £135,021 against budget. Therefore, an underspend of £36,479. This forecast includes an estimated figure for the annual profit share that is due to the Council as part of the contract with Live Nation. This figure has not yet been finalised and is likely to be more than the estimate included in Q2 reporting. Therefore, the overall cost of the venue will reduce further once this has been finalised.

	Budget	Forecast	Variance
<b>Operating Costs</b>			
Staff Costs	36,900	37,418	518
Energy & Rates	69,300	69,900	600
Maintenance	60,000	65,000	5,000
Event costs	486,600	527,521	40,921
Other Misc	68,400	73,940	5,540
<b>Total</b>	<b>721,200</b>	<b>773,779</b>	<b>52,579</b>
<b>Income</b>			
Rent and Lettings Income	-408,700	-408,700	0
Event Income	-141,000	-230,058	-89,058
<b>Total</b>	<b>-549,700</b>	<b>-638,758</b>	<b>-89,058</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>171,500</b>	<b>135,021</b>	<b>-36,479</b>

7.2 The table above shows the current forecast for the current year and highlights the expectation that the costs of the OAT will come in under budget, with a £36k saving. This is as a result of increased income and ticket sales. Whilst the higher levels of attendance have also increased costs (for example around security) this is more than offset by the increased income derived from ticket sales and other income.

## 8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

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

## 9 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no equalities implications arising directly from this report. The Venue strives to provide an accessible experience and in October 2023 were proud to have been

awarded the **silver** level of Attitude is Everything's Live Events Access Charter for 2023-2025, demonstrating our commitment to improving the live music experience for our disabled audiences, artists, and team.

## 10.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 The venue works closely with Live Nation and their Green Nation charter, with a target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 50% by 2030 and ending the sale of single-use plastics at all owned and operated venues and festivals by 2021.

Their agreed position across the world is to reduce the negative environmental impacts often associated with live events including waste generation and single-use plastics, energy and water use, transport and food sourcing.

## 11.0 CONCLUSIONS

11.1 The Open Air Theatre is a respected music venue, delivering world class acts, through the partnership with Cuffe and Taylor (as part of the live nation family). The contribution to the local region is significant and continuing to grow with increasing attendances year on year.

## 12.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

i) To note the impact and performance of the Open Air Theatre. .

### APPENDICES:

Appendix A – Open Air Theatre Timeline  
Appendix B – Social Media Overview  
Appendix C – Ticket Sales Year on Year

### BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

*Ticketmaster sales reporting information*

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Corporate Director – *Community Development*  
County Hall  
Northallerton  
17 November 2024

Report Author – *Stuart Clark, Head of Venues and Attractions*  
Presenter of Report – *Stuart Clark, Head of Venues and Attractions*

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

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

## APPENDIX A

### Scarborough Open Air Theatre Timeline

- **1930's** – Built by Scarborough Corporation
- **1932** – Opened by the Lord Mayor of London
- **1968** - Musicals ceased after 'West Side Story' apart from a YMCA production in 1982.
- **1986** - James Last performs last Show at Scarborough Open Air Theatre
- **2009** - Scarborough Council embark on a £3.5m restoration project.
- **20 May 2010** - Open Air Theatre is Officially opened by HM The Queen
- **23 July 2010** -The Gala Opening featuring Dame Kiri Te Kanawa and Jose Carreras marks the start of a new chapter in the venues history
- **2010** - the Open Air Theatre hosted 6 acts, attracting 15,068 concert-goers
- **21 June 2011** – Elton John performs to 7,500 people with the lake covered temporarily to increase capacity for this show
- **18 June 2012** - The Olympic Torch passes through the Venue on the way to London 2012
- **2017** - Scarborough Council enter into a partnership agreement with Cuffe and Taylor
- **30 July 2016** - Wet Wet Wet perform 50th show at the Open Air Theatre
- **2017** - part of the lake in front of the stage is filled in increasing the capacity from 5454 to 8,500
- **24 May 2017** - Beach Boys concert takes place - 2 days after the tragic events at Manchester Arena
- **2017** – full season sales exceed 75,000 for the first time
- **2018** – Cuffe and Taylor became part of the Live Nation family
- **2018** onwards - the council embark on a continual improvement programme working with Counter Terrorism Advisors to protect the venue and concert goers.
- **2018** – 17 August Britney Spears performs at Scarborough OAT attracting worldwide media coverage
- **2020** - whole season lost to the Covid 19 pandemic
- **14 August 2021** - 100th event at the venue featuring Culture Club
- **2023** – Season ticket sales exceed 100,000 for the first time
- **1 July 2024** – 150<sup>th</sup> event featuring Gregory Porter
- **2024** – recorded sales of over 116,000 people attending 18 shows

## APPENDIX B

### Scarborough Open Air Theatre Timeline social media and Marketing information 2024

The following information has been provided by Live Nation and is a reflection of the Marketing activity in terms of editorial pieces, Social Media reach and Live Nations general activity where Open Air Theatre is included.

#### Media Reach

783 editorial pieces published.  
84.14 million audience reach

#### Social Media

5.6k new followers since 13th October 2023  
3.8 million reach on Facebook in the last 12 months

637k views in the last 90 days & 11.3k interactions on Instagram

#### Marketing Comms from LN

Average weekly LN UK digital channel reach: 9.3million  
Annual users of LN.co.uk (2023): 16million  
Average weekly social channel reach: 5.3million  
Average weekly CRM channel reach: 3.8million Active CRM audience: 4.4million • Weekly newsletter subscribers: 2million

In addition, there have been numerous comments on social media sites or direct to the venue from artists. A snapshot of some from 2024 are below.

“This is SKA-borough. It’s so lovely to see you all. Isn’t it great” Suggs - Madness

“Scarborough, thank you so much for coming out tonight, it’s so beautiful to see you all... here I am with my own show and you guys have sold it out. Thank you for supporting live music”  
Becky Hill

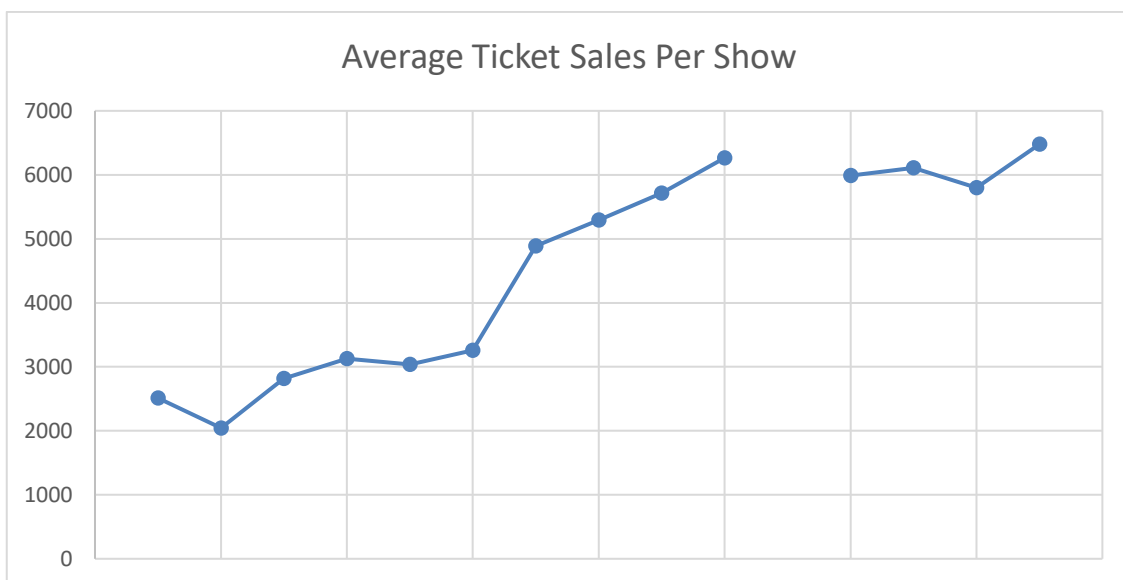
“This is our very last show of the summer so its going to be a big one. Come on Scarborough”  
Busted

“Brilliant to see you all here - what a great place. We’ve been here a few times and its very nice to be back. This is one of the nicest venues in England and we love coming here” Francis Rossi  
- Status Quo

**APPENDIX C**

**Scarborough Open Air Theatre Ticket Sales Year on Year**

Year	Shows	Tickets	Average per show
2010	6	15,068	2511
2011	6	12,264	2044
2012	6	16,894	2816
2013	8	24,998	3125
2014	10	30,383	3038
2015	11	35,824	3257
2016	10	48,861	4886
2017	14	74,096	5293
2018	16	91,431	5714
2019	10	62,645	6265
2020	Season Cancelled due to Pandemic		
2021	12	71,846	5987
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# Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee 29 November 2024

## Scarborough Open Air Theatre Performance Report 2024

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# 2024

## 2024 marked another chapter in the growing success of the OAT

- Significant improvements to the venue including bars, catering, infill of part of the lake, backstage improvements and some key safety improvements to the venue in readiness for Martyn's Law
- Improvements were made to the venue to enhance the concert goers experience and protect them within the venue
- We received much praise around the works done from Counter Terrorism colleagues, Project Servator and from Touring Managers
- Tickets sales reached the highest levels of any year since re-opening
- We had the joint highest number of concerts in any season (18) since re-opening in 2010

# Cuffe and Taylor

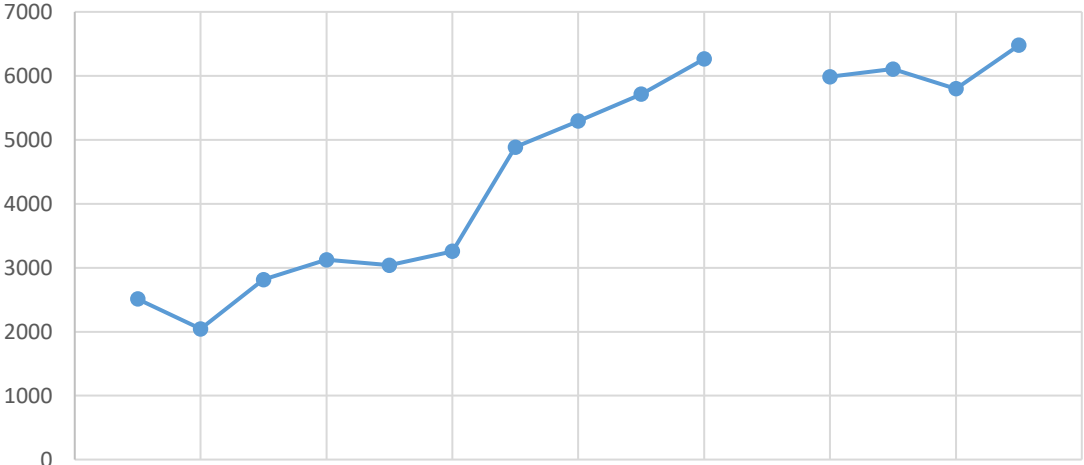
## Benefits of working with Cuffe and Taylor / Live Nation

- The ability to attract large scale acts – the cost of some of the acts this year are well beyond what we were able to pay when we were booking
- A significant Marketing budget to promote the venue, in turn promoting the Town and Borough a huge investment in marketing each year, adverts in national newspapers on TV
- Money spent on employing local crews at each show – significant investment in local staff
- De-risking the Council in terms of all costs associated with the booking of acts taken all the financial risks away from the council in booking acts – past experience shows that 2-3 poor bookings can affect a whole season
- Payment of a hire fee for each show which covers a number of associated costs
- Council can hold its own events at the venue
- This year the Council will receive a profit share estimated to be around 6 figures

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Average Ticket Sales Per Show



# Estimated Economic Benefit

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<b>Total Tickets</b>	<b>116,606</b>

# Contributions to businesses

- Hotels, B&B's and Guest House – many reports that they are full as soon as shows are announced in addition there are some establishments that offer a minimum 2-night stays on concert nights.
- Local Public House – report the significant increase in customers on show nights.
- Taxis – using the dedicated pick-up area are heavily utilised.
- Buses – Shoreline Sun cruisers run a number of services after the shows.
- Local Eateries / Takeaways – extremely busy around the town
- Backstage Catering and Supplies – all artist riders for the season have been purchased from local supermarkets.
- Local Catering Company – a local catering company are employed to provide food on all show days for the artist and crews.

# Contribution to the Local Economy

**There are also other very significant contributions made to employment in the area directly from the OAT. Each year we spend money on the following.**

- Electrical works, Security, Safety & Medical Teams, Toilet hire, Box Office Staff Noise Monitoring Staff, Local Catering Concessions (on show nights)

And in addition, the following are employed at the venue by contractors.

- Bar & Catering staff – the majority are local.
- Local Crew and riggers
- Agents and Promoters



**IN TOTAL IT CAN BE REALLISTICALLY ESTIMATED THAT THE VENUE CONTRIBUTES NEARLY £10m TO THE LOCAL ECONOMY THROUGH SHOWS AND WORKING WITH LOCAL PEOPLE**

# 2024 - In Summary



*“Thank you Scarborough, can’t wait for next year”*

*social media comment following concert*



# Questions?



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## North Yorkshire Council

### Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

29 November 2024

#### ACC Economic Development, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund Updates – November 2024

#### Report of the Corporate Director of Community Development

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

1.1 To provide an update on the projects endorsed by the committee.

##### **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 Six projects have been endorsed by the committee, and this report provides an update on all of them.

##### **3.0 Updates**

3.1 Coastal Access at Cayton Bay – project now complete

3.2 Offshore Economic Opportunities – project progressing successfully. Its development process has already led to a major local business with a strong maritime skills element signing Heads of Terms for the largest workshop in the building.

3.3 Active Travel Social Prescribing Pilot Project – Progress is on track. The training and learning team are being provided with the necessary information and the package is in development.

3.4 Scarborough 400 – Project progressing well, with 3D scanning completed. Feasibility work is now in development.

3.5 Sea bird nesting – Project development is going well, with preliminary discussions with the RSPB and University of Exeter. Brief now ready for procurement process.

3.6 Sea Swimming – Initial discussions completed. Brief now ready for procurement process.

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21 November 2024

Report Author – Joe Russell – Principal Regeneration Officer

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

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

**Friday 7 June 2024 at 10am**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Description</b>
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**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Description</b>
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**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Description</b>
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 Morritt, 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
Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund for the Area Committee	Update on projects endorsed by the Area Committee - Joe Russell, Senior Economic Development Officer
Scarborough Open Air Theatre	Review of the theatre's performance during the 2024 season – Stuart Clark, Head of Venues and Attractions
Scarborough and Whitby harbours	Update on harbour issues – 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
DEFRA Consultation on Reform of the Bathing Water Regulations 2013	Presentation by Hugh Clear Hill, Principal Environmental Policy Officer
Future venues and livestreaming	Chair, Cllr Liz Colling
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>
	<i>North Yorkshire Climate Change Strategy – local delivery update – Jos Holmes, Climate Change Strategy Manager and Ed Rouse, Climate Change Business Partner</i>
	<i>Providing public vehicular access to Oliver’s Mount, Scarborough update - Richard Marr, Area Manager – Area 4 (Highways)</i>
	<i>Whitby Cliff Lift update – Chris Bourne, Head of Harbours and Coastal Infrastructure</i>
<b>Monday 6 January 2025 at 10am - Remote Informal Meeting</b>	
Budget 2025/26 Proposals	Overview of Budget proposals for 2025/26 – Gary Fielding, Director of Strategic Resources
<b>Friday 21 March 2025 at 10am</b>	
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Description</b>
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 Chief Executive of the Mayoral Combined Authority on the work of the MCA and update on local issues
Economic, Regeneration, Tourism and Transport Project Development Fund for the Area Committees	Update on projects endorsed by the Area Committee - Joe Russell, Senior Economic Development Officer
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
<i>Items to note</i>	<i>Education update - an overview of the local educational landscape, educational achievement and the financial challenges which affect schools in the Scarborough &amp; Whitby area</i>
	<i>De-registration of designated Children’s Centres in area – update – Mel Hutchinson, Assistant Director Children and Families</i>

**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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NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE  
RURAL CRIME REPORT  
SCARBOROUGH/WHITBY  
DISTRICT

MAY-OCTOBER 2024

Crime figures pertinent to the Scarborough district for the last six months have been added below.

During the months of May to October the Scarborough district saw an increase in the number of quad bikes stolen through the months July, August and September which resulted in Operation ALIBI being re launched using cross border partnership working with Cleveland police as well as utilising our roads policing/operational support units and rural task force to assist local policing in increasing patrols and stop checking vehicles. This has seen a drop in the number of reported quad bike thefts (2 July / 2 August / 1 September) to zero in October but also a steep reduction in reported rural thefts from 10/12 per month May to August to 6 in October. There has been a steady report of stolen motor vehicles throughout the reporting period but tailing off in September only to see an increase in October, stolen motor vehicle records (SMV) record the number of cars, vans, pickups, motorbikes, mopeds, road registered agricultural vehicles, wagons and motorhomes.

Heating oil and agricultural oil/diesel theft incidents have thankfully declined over the reporting period, oil prices have generally been lower than this time last year. However, we are fully aware this may change over the coming months with the long dark nights as temperatures dip and demand increases.

In July we saw a spike in Autocrime offences with 12 being reported in the month for Scarborough, these were thefts from vehicles. Following successful investigations and proactive patrols these incidents subsided with only 2 being reported in October.

As expected, poaching incidents for the Scarborough area have been low compared to other districts in North Yorkshire (see figures below). Poaching figures across the county have continued to see a decline compared to the last year which is positive however this may change due to a dry autumn and early winter meaning farmland is more accessible for vehicles.

The farming sector this year has seen subsidy payments reduced again the RPA with again half being paid during late spring and the other half being paid in the autumn. The weather this year following the extremely wet spring has been a lot kinder to the farming sector which has reduced the stress that was seen this time last year.

Avian bird flu thankfully has been in decline over the summer and the number of recorded cases has been low resulting in no current restrictions being placed on both farmers and the general public regarding housing of birds. Although on typing this report there have been a couple of new cases nationwide and farmers are being asked to be vigilant where biosecurity is concerned.

The rural task force are continuing to record all domestic abuse incidents in rural locations, working closely with partner agencies such as the FCN and RABI to signpost vulnerable households in the hope of offering assistance.

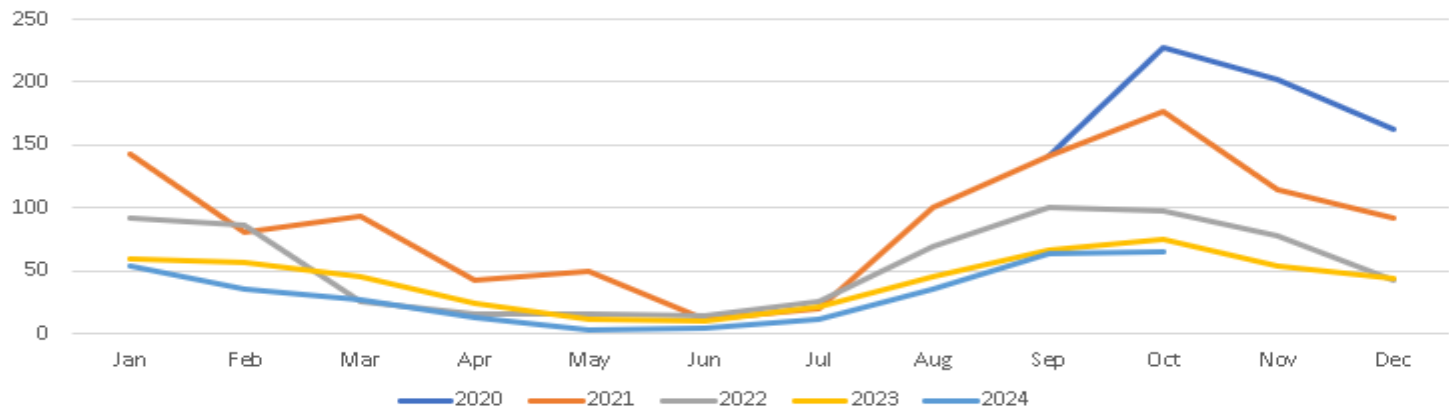
As reported previously our rural watches are now becoming fully active in their own right following the slowing down of their workload from harvest and autumn drilling. We are currently in the process of starting up a new Scarborough rural watch group with the support of the NFU in helping us get the right rural members from the community involved. The continued value to the police in intelligence gathering and support for ongoing incidents from our rural watches is invaluable, but what we would like to see is an increase in numbers of our rural communities joining these groups and using “WhatsApp” to assist in them being able to communicate information more easily between themselves and the police. “WhatsApp” which has been used successfully by NYP is now being looked at Nationally by the police chiefs council as a recognised tool by which the police can assist their rural communities. For more information about how members of the rural community can join a rural “WhatsApp” group please contact Mark Atkinson – rural Crime Coordinator RTF [mark.atkinson@northyorkshire.police.uk](mailto:mark.atkinson@northyorkshire.police.uk)

SCARBOROUGH 2024	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPT	OCT
ANIMALS/WILDLIFE	10	10	13	12	6	3
ARSON	1	0	0	2	1	0
AUTOCRIME	2	3	12	3	6	2
BURGLARY BUSINESS & COMMUN	2	3	4	5	5	2
BURGLARY RESIDENTIAL	1	0	3	4	6	9
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	4	5	3	2	5	6
QUAD	0	0	2	2	1	0
MAKE OFF	0	0	0	0	0	0
BYWAY	2	1	2	1	1	1
SMV	5	1	4	3	2	6
THEFT GENERAL	10	10	10	12	9	6
VIOLENCE	0	5	6	9	2	7
EYEBALL	0	0	0	0	0	1
HERITAGE	0	0	0	0	0	0
LIVESTOCK THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LIVESTOCK WORRYING	3	0	0	0	0	0
NIGHT POACHING	0	0	2	1	0	0
DAY POACHING	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROTEST/DEMONSTRATION	0	0	0	0	0	4
HUNT RELATED INCIDENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	40	38	61	56	44	45

# NYP POACHING DATA

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTALS	
2020										142	227	202	162	
2021	143	81	93	43	50	12	20	100	141	176	114	92	1065	
2022	92	86	25	16	15	14	26	70	100	97	78	42	661	
2023	60	57	46	24	12	10	21	45	67	75	54	44	515	
2024	54	35	27	13	3	5	11	35	63	65				

Monthly Poaching Figures



SCARBOROUGH POACHING							
<b>JAN</b>							
DAY	2		SEASON S TOTALS	% YR RISE/	FALL FROM 20/21		
NIGHT	0		2020/21	1155			
<b>FEB</b>			2021/22	891	-23%		
DAY	1		2022/23	622	-27%	-46%	
NIGHT	0		2023/24	443	-28%	-61%	
<b>MARCH</b>			2024/25				
DAY	0						
NIGHT	2						
<b>APRIL</b>							
DAY	0						
NIGHT	0						
<b>MAY</b>							
DAY	0						
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<b>OCTOBER</b>							
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## North Yorkshire Council

### Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

29 November 2024

#### Climate Change activity in the Scarborough and Whitby Area

##### Report of the Corporate Director - Environment.

<p><b>1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT</b></p> <p>1.1 To provide an update on recent climate change activities that have taken place in the Scarborough and Whitby Area.</p>
<p><b>2.0 BACKGROUND</b></p> <p>2.1 North Yorkshire Council's Climate Change Strategy was approved by Executive in July 2023 in response to the declared climate emergency. The council's Climate Change Delivery Pathway (CCDP) was approved by Executive on 20 August 2024 and sets out how the Strategy will be delivered.</p> <p>2.2 The council's overall progress on the climate change strategy is reported biannually to the Transport, Economy, Environment and Enterprise Overview and Scrutiny Committee, alongside an annual progress report direct to Executive. The most recent Overview and Scrutiny report was made on 17 October 2024.</p>
<p><b>3.0 CLIMATE CHANGE ACTIVITY</b></p> <p>3.1 A report on progress on the CCDP was made to 17.10.24 Transport Economy Environment and Enterprise Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p>
<p><b>3.2 GOVERNANCE</b></p> <p>3.3 Territorial greenhouse gas emissions data was included in the above report for North Yorkshire area. Since Local Government Reorganisation this is the lowest level of administration for which the figures are available.</p> <p>3.4 Carbon Disclosure Project In September 2024 the council for the first time submitted a response to the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP). This international scheme is a voluntary reporting and accountability platform for local governments, investors and companies to help them understand their impact and take action. The council's submission is now being independently assessed, with results expected in April 2025. This will provide a benchmark mark on our activity and the feedback will provide an opportunity to learn and continually improve on our climate progress.</p> <p>3.5 Council Climate Scorecards The council has provided information (principally via freedom of information requests) to the campaign group Climate Emergency UK for the completion of their Council Climate Scorecards process. A score and "league table" of all councils will be published in 2025.</p>

#### 4.0 MITIGATION: REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

4.1 Various decarbonisation and climate mitigation projects are underway in the Scarborough and Whitby area. A snapshot of activity over the past twelve months is given below:

4.2 UK Shared Prosperity Fund (SPF) – capital and revenue grants  
Six projects have applied for grant funding under UKSPF within the Scarborough and Whitby area, with a total of £89,842.00 in agreed grant funding. This has supported projects including solar PV installations and energy efficiency improvements for both business and community buildings.

Project name	Project	Community/Business
Danby Village Hall	Insulation, solar panel installation and EV Charge Point	Community
Animated Objects Community Arts Ltd	LED lights, Kinetic energy generation and rechargeable batteries	Community
Wread Head Hall Hotel	Renovation of derelict hayloft to a minimum of EPC C	Business
Wheeliams Ltd	Installation of borehole for heating and upgrade of insulation	Business
Ayton & Snainton Medical Practice	Improved roof insulation	Business
Burniston & Cloughton Village Hall and Playing Fields	Insulation, air source heat pump and electric heating installed. Solar panel and battery storage	Community

4.3 UK Shared Prosperity Fund – community and business decarbonisation audits  
Specialist audits have been carried out for three community groups and buildings (Filey Bird Garden & Animal Park Ltd, Filey Playing Fields Association and Aikmo Medical t/a Peregrine House) under the support element of the UKSPF scheme and an earlier scheme. These enabled groups to gain a clear understanding of decarbonisation measures needed for their buildings, some of which have led to successful funding bids.

4.4 Devolution Deal Net Zero Fund (DDNZF)- decarbonising community buildings  
DDNZF helps fund carbon and energy reduction measures in community buildings around North Yorkshire. Two projects from Scarborough and Whitby (Steven Joseph Theatre and Wreyfield Drive Methodist Church) have successfully applied for DDNZF funding to support their decarbonisation journeys.

4.5 Office for Zero Emission Vehicles (OZEV)  
Funding has originated from the Office for Zero Emission Vehicles (OZEV) through the On-street Residential Charge Point Scheme (ORCS) and Connected Kerb. This is on a 13-year concession contract, with charge points currently owned by Connected Kerb. Following the end of this contract, ownership will transfer to North Yorkshire Council. This fund has supported the installation of 50 charging socket in Scarborough and 24 sockets in Whitby.

4.6 Home Upgrade Grant (HUG)  
38 homes in the area have been supported to install over 80 energy and carbon saving measures between April 2023 and August 2024. These include the installation of Air Source Heat Pumps, Solar Panels and insulation. Between this time, it is estimated this fund has saved over £25,000 for the homes upgraded and reduced emissions by approximately 100kgCO<sub>2e</sub>.

- 4.7 Scarborough Dial a Ride – DDNZF Community Transport  
The purchase of an Electric Vehicle for Scarborough Dial A Ride and Electric Vehicle Charge Point. Scarborough Dial A Ride supports Scarborough residents 60 or over, living with mobility issues or disability. This service provides individuals with the ability to access local amenities and further afield such as York and Leeds.
- 4.8 Heather Hopper - DDNZF Community Transport  
The purchase of an Electric Vehicle for Heather Hopper and Electric Vehicle Charge Point. Heather Hopper is a volunteer run service which facilitates residents of the Upper Esk Valley who may struggle to access adequate public service provision due a number of reasons including health, age and socio-economic reasons.
- 4.9 School Streets pilot  
Seamer and Irton Community Primary School is currently undergoing a trial period as a designated School Street. An Experimental Traffic Regulation Order has been made to introduce a pedestrian and cycle zone. The intention is to reduce congestion and improve road safety at school start and finish times and facilitate sustainable trips to and from the school. This pilot scheme (mirrored in Harrogate) is being monitored and reviewed to decide on potential continuation and roll-out to other areas in North Yorkshire.

## **5.0 ADAPTATION: PREPARING FOR THE CHANGING CLIMATE**

- 5.1 Work to develop an Adaptation section of the CCDP will be concluded in 2025 and this is now the focus of policy development. The Council is working alongside the Combined Authority who will be commissioning a comprehensive Climate Risk and Vulnerability report for North Yorkshire. This will identify detailed geographical areas of risk for climate change.
- 5.2 Linked to this work, the area committee has previously received a 2024 Resilience and Emergencies Annual Update from the Head of Resilience and Emergencies in October 2024, and receives regular updates on emergency planning.
- 5.3 As a result of climate change, the Scarborough and Whitby area can expect to see weather changes in line with wider regional projections, specifically, hotter, drier summers and warmer, wetter winters. Extreme weather events such as intense rainfall and heatwaves are likely to become more frequent.
- 5.4 Environment Agency flood warning and alert areas exist along the River Esk and some of its tributaries, with coastal regions being subject to coast flooding events from hightides and storms. There were 22 flood alerts issued for Scarborough and Whitby areas associated with the North Sea and 15 for the River Esk catchment between September 2023 and September 2024.
- 5.5 Concrete Coasts is an Environment Agency funded project managed and run by the Yorkshire Marine Nature Partnership. It is designed to support the biodiversity at coastal sea defences. Currently there is one pilot project of 6 muscles boxes in the inter-tidal zone on the slipway near Scarborough Sea Life Centre. Currently monitoring is being conducted by the University of Hull, however engagement with local groups is being undertaken to look at the potential for these to conduct continues monitoring. The Concrete Coast project is exploring additional sites around Scarborough South Bay to install further measures to support local marine biodiversity.

## **6.0 CONTRIBUTION TO COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

- 6.1 The Council has declared a Climate Emergency and pledged to play its part in tackling the causes and impacts of climate change.

- 6.2 The activities outlined above contribute towards the council climate change strategy objectives, and deliver the following specific Council Plan ambitions:
- Place and Environment:
    - 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
  - Economy
    - 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
  - Health and Wellbeing
    - 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
    - In times of hardship, support is provided to those that need it most
  - Organisation
    - A carbon neutral council

## **7.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

7.1 This report is for information only.

## **8.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS)**

8.1 This report is for information only.

## **9.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 This report is for information only.

## **10.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

10.1 This report is for information only and an Equalities Impact Assessment is therefore not required.

## **11.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

11.1 This report is for information only and a Climate Change Impact Assessment is therefore not required.

## **12.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

12.1 As requested by the Area Committee, this report outlines some of the local activity being undertaken to address climate change, contributing towards the council's climate change strategy objectives. The activities described above enable the council as an organisation, as well as resident in the Scarborough and Whitby area, to make climate responsible choices.

### **13.0 RECOMMENDATION**

- 13.1 It is recommended that the Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee note the recent climate change activities that have taken place in the area, which are outlined in this report.

#### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**

1. North Yorkshire Council Climate Change Strategy
2. Transport, Economy, Environment and Enterprise Overview and Scrutiny Committee, report on the CCDP, 17 October 2024

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**North Yorkshire Council  
Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee**

**29 November 2024**

**Providing public vehicular access to Oliver's Mount  
Briefing Note of the Corporate Director of Environment**

The Council recognises the importance to the local economy of the motorcycle race events at The Oliver's Mount race circuit in Scarborough and officers have been working closely with the event organiser to ensure a safe means of access using a strictly controlled traffic management solution and regular geotechnical monitoring surveys.

Recently the council has allocated £780k capital funding to procure a design and build contractor to design a suitable permanent geotechnical design solution to this complex land instability problem. As the design solution is not yet known it is not possible to provide a timescale or cost for delivery however, the allocation of the funding for the design stage illustrates the high importance being given by the council to delivering a solution.

Officers have met with the event organiser earlier this month to discuss the implications for the future of events on Oliver's Mount and the latest survey information which shows that the traffic management solution that has been successfully implemented during events this year is no longer considered possible going forward. North Yorkshire Council is actively looking at feasibility of an alternative access route up to the circuit for the public to use on race days when the other roads up to Oliver's Mount are closed because they form part of the race track.

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## North Yorkshire Council

### Scarborough and Whitby Area Committee

29 November 2024

#### Whitby Cliff Lift

#### Briefing Note of the Corporate Director of Environment

##### 1.0 Background

- 1.1 Whitby's Cliff lift, on North Terrace was opened in 1931 and it consists of a lift within a vertical shaft running down from the cliff top through the boulder clay, leading to a 221ft long pedestrian tunnel out to the beach.
- 1.2 The lift was closed in April 2022 when corrosion was discovered in its structure. For the last three years the borough and then unitary council ran a free subsidised bus service over the summer to replace the lift.
- 1.3 No income has historically been generated from the lift. Chalet users used to get a free lift pass but this was removed when the charge was dropped. Income from non-chalet users did not cover the cost of the lift operator.

##### 2.0 Nature of the Problem

- 2.1 A steady increase in water ingress is causing corrosion of the structure. There is no easy solution to prevent this. Water ingress also causes more frequent renewal of operational parts to lift car and mechanisms. Some parts require to be renewed annually due to this.
- 2.2 The top station building needs structural remedial works as there is cracking in the brick pillars, and the roof is bowing in places. The lifting gear is within the top station so would need to be removed or protected in situ.
- 2.3 A ventilation system needs to be incorporated within the facility to reduce the humidity.
- 2.4 It is possible to restore the lift to working order, but this does not address the water ingress and ventilation problems and would still require significant ongoing revenue funding for yearly maintenance and parts replacements and the employment cost of a seasonal lift operator.

##### 3.0 Solution

- 3.1 No formal decision has been made yet.
- 3.2 Align Property Partners have been commissioned to carry out surveys and further work to refine costs.

3.3 Ultimately the decision will come before the Executive and as part of that there will be discussion with local members.

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