

**North Yorkshire County Council**  
**Harrogate and Knaresborough Area Constituency Committee**  
**16 March 2023**  
**Committee Work Programme**

**Purpose of Report**

To ask Members to consider, amend and add to the Committee's work programme.

**Work Programme**

The Committee's work programme is at Appendix 1.

**Remit of the Committee**

The Area Constituency Committees:

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

**Work Programme Items**

The intention is for the Committee to develop a work programme that: is owned by the Committee; has items on it that are important locally but relevant at a strategic, county level; evolves over time and is not static.

The Committee Chairman, Vice-Chairman and the Democratic Services Officer will keep the work programme up to date and determine which items need to be considered at a public committee meeting and which could be picked up elsewhere.

Alternative ways of dealing with issues that come to the Committee could include:

- Referral to an officer at the County Council and/or District Council for a response;
- Referral to the Democratic Services Officer to conduct further research to ascertain whether it was appropriate for the committee to review;
- Referral to County Council and/or District Council Overview and Scrutiny;
- Referral to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to consider, outside of a formal committee meeting;
- Referral to the appropriate Executive Member to consider.

**Recommendation**

Members are asked to consider, amend and add to the Committee's work programme.

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Background documents: None

## Harrogate and Knaresborough Area Constituency Committee Work Programme

<b>Thursday 9 June 2022, 10.00am at Harrogate Civic Centre</b>	
Appointments to Outside Bodies	To appoint the County Council's representatives on various outside bodies within the Harrogate and Knaresborough constituency area
Area Constituency Committees – Ways of Working	A guide about how Area Constituency Committees work during the period ending 31 March 2023
Data Profile for the Harrogate and Knaresborough constituency area	To review key data for the committee area and determine whether any issues highlighted in the data profile merit further investigation and inclusion on the committee work programme
North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service – Risk and Resource Model 2022-25 Consultation	To enable Committee Members to review the consultation and determine what action to take
<b>Thursday 28 July 2022, 10.00am at Harrogate Civic Centre (special meeting)</b>	
North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service – Risk and Resource Model 2022-25 Consultation	To enable Committee Members to question the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner and management of the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service and consider its response to this consultation
<b>Cancelled, after publication of the agenda papers, due to national mourning. Thursday 15 September 2022, 10.00am at Harrogate Civic Centre</b>	
20mph Speed Limit and Zone Policy	To provide the existing Policy for discussion by the Committee.
Harrogate Transport Improvement Programme Update	To provide an update requested by Members at the ACC's meeting on 9 June 2022.
North Yorkshire Cultural Framework	To provide information as part of an ongoing engagement process.
River Nidd Water Management – Member discussion.	Exploration of this issue was requested by the ACC Chairman and Vice-Chairman.
<b>Wednesday 12 October 2022, 10.00am at Harrogate Civic Centre</b>	
20mph Speed Limit and Zone Policy	To provide the existing Policy for discussion by the Committee.
Climate Change – Feedback from the meeting of the Climate Change Sub-Group held on 27 September 2022	To present feedback from the Sub-Group.
Harrogate Transport Improvement Programme Update	To provide information requested by Committee Members at the meeting on 9 June 2022.
A Cultural Framework for North Yorkshire	Identification of local cultural assets.

<b>Thursday 10 November 2022, 10.00am at Harrogate Civic Centre (special meeting)</b>	
Update from Andrew Jones MP	To receive an update from Andrew Jones MP regarding issues of key concern in the constituency.
<b>Thursday 24 November 2022, 10.00am at Harrogate Civic Centre</b>	
Schools, Educational Achievement and Finance	Annual report about schools, educational achievement, and finance.
Fuel Poverty Update	Presentation by a representative of the Director of Public Health, NYCC, about fuel poverty in North Yorkshire, its impact on health, actions being taken nationally and locally, and future opportunities including LGR, Levelling Up/Shared Prosperity funding, and the co-benefits of addressing climate change.
Harrogate District Hospital's Recovery from the Covid Pandemic	Sarah Armstrong (Chair) and Jonathan Coulter (Chief Executive) of Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust) provided a briefing on the Hospital's recovery from the Covid pandemic (waiting lists, backlogs, pressures, Nightingale etc).
Youth Council Update	Oral update by representatives of the Youth Council on issues of importance to the Youth Council.
<b>Private briefing using Microsoft Teams Thursday 12 January 2023, 3.00pm – Private briefing using Microsoft Teams</b>	
Annual Council Budget Review	To review the annual Council budget
<b>Thursday 16 March 2023, 10.00am at Harrogate Civic Centre</b>	
Management of Yorkshire Water's CSOs and Nidd Assets	Presentation by a representative of Yorkshire Water.
Bathing Water Quality at Knaresborough Lido	Oral update from Members of the Committee's Task and Finish Group.
Update on Active Travel Schemes	Written report from the Corporate Director – Business and Environmental Services.
Stronger Communities Annual Report	Annual report about Stronger Communities initiatives.
Update on the Climate Sub Group	Written report from Cllr Arnold Warneken (Chair of the Sub-Group).
Harrogate Destination Management Organisation – Achievements during its first year	Presentation from representatives of Harrogate DMO.
<b>Special Meeting Friday 5 May 2023, 10.00am at Harrogate Civic Centre</b>	
Harrogate Station Gateway	Outcome of public consultation. Attendance of County Councillor Keane Duncan (Executive Member).
<b>Thursday 8 June 2023 at 10am at Harrogate Civic Centre</b>	
Otley Road Phase 2 Sustainable Transport Package. <i>(This item is 'likely for early summer, subject to confirmation'.)</i>	Written report from Highways Officers.
Any appointments required by this ACC to new outside bodies	Written report from Democratic Services.

Youth Council Update	Oral update by representatives of the Youth Council on issues of importance to the Youth Council.
<b>Thursday 14 September 2023 at 10am at Harrogate Civic Centre</b>	
<i>No specific business is allocated to this meeting yet</i>	
<b>Thursday 23 November 2023 at 10am at Harrogate Civic Centre</b>	
Update from the Member of Parliament for the Harrogate and Knaresborough constituency (subject to the MP being invited and accepting the invite to this meeting)	To receive an update from the Member of Parliament regarding issues of key concern in the constituency.
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Other topics which the Area Constituency Committee wishes to discuss, although the precise meetings have not yet been identified:-

- Harrogate Transport Improvements Programme – Stage 2 Findings and Recommendations – Report from Highways Officers – For a meeting to be held in 2023.
- Harrogate Bid to be invited to an ACC meeting to express its views.
- Antisocial Behaviour – To invite the Youth Service and the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner to attend an ACC meeting to give an account of the measures they are taking to address youth-related ASB in a collaborative way across the constituency.
- Support for small businesses – To invite the business community to advise the ACC how it can best be supported.
- Update on Beyond Carbon – A briefing on how this impacts the Harrogate and Knaresborough constituency area.
- Feedback from the Scrutiny of Health Committee on the results of its scrutiny work concerning wait-times for ambulances, NHS dentistry, and GP services.