

# NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

## EXECUTIVE

26 MAY 2026

### QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE AND BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

#### Joint Report of the Chief Executive and Corporate Director – Resources

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

#### 1.0 Background

1.1 The Quarterly Performance and Budget Monitoring Report seeks to bring together key aspects of the Council performance on a quarterly basis. The Summary below captures the key points in this Quarterly update as set out in the main body of the attached report.

#### 2.0 Performance

2.1 The quarter 4 performance report covers the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2026 to the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 providing a comprehensive picture of performance across North Yorkshire.

#### 3.0 Revenue Budget 2025/26

3.1 At the end of Q4, there is a net overspend of £1,020k against the 2025/26 budget (**paragraph 2.2.1**). Despite including growth of £12.0m in the 2025/26 budget for Children & Young People's Services, the increasing demands in the service has led to a significant overspend of £16.2m gross. A number of funding sources (some of which are one-off in nature) are being applied to offset the forecast overspend from £16.2m to £11.3m.

3.2 The key drivers of the financial position are outlined in the sources set out below:

1. A breakdown of each Directorates forecast variance is provided in **Appendices B to F** with the financial position for NYES provided in **Appendix G**.
2. A detailed HRA forecast outturn position is provided in **Appendix H** which is reporting a £6,492k deficit.
3. Recommendation to make a Voluntary Revenue Provision contribution to Capital Financing Costs which will result in a revenue saving (**paragraph 2.2.6**).
4. Recommendation to create a £7m Reserve to provide for the potential non-repayment of loan to Brierley Homes (**paragraph 2.2.6** and **paragraph 2.6.7**).
5. An overview is provided on spending relating to the transition to the new unitary council (**section 2.5**).
6. The balance of the Strategic Capacity Reserve following the drawdown to balance the outturn position to budget (**paragraph 2.5.2**).

#### 4.0 Annual Treasury Management and Prudential Indicators

- 4.1 For North Yorkshire Council External debt stood at £350.4m at 31 March 2026. The average interest rate of this debt was 3.74% **(paragraph 3.7)**.
- 4.2 Investments outstanding at 31 March 2026 were £640.1m of which £120.6m belonged to other organisations who are part of NYC's investment pool arrangements. **(paragraph 3.43 & Appendix A)**.
- 4.3 For cash invested the average interest rate achieved in 2025/26 was 4.38% which above the 7 day benchmark rate of 4.02% and above average bank rate of 4.04%. **(paragraph 3.34)**.

## **5.0 Capital Plan**

- 5.1 Overall capital expenditure for 2025/26 is £219.3m against a budget of £268.8m – an underspend of £49.5m. When capital receipts and grants are taken into account, the net position shows an underspend of £3.3m **(paragraph 4.3.1)**.
- 5.2 A total carry forward of £49.5m worth of schemes (gross) to 2026/27 is required **(paragraph 4.4.2)**.
- 5.3 Financing of the 2025/26 capital plan is largely through grants, contributions and revenue contributions with the remaining element of £8.8m being funded from internal and external borrowing **(paragraph 4.5.1)**.
- 5.4 A total of six funding recommendations are presented for Executive approval:
1. to approve the allocation of £200k from the Capital Contingency Reserve to fund the shortfall affecting the Catterick Garrison Levelling Up project as set out in **paragraph 4.3.2**.
  2. to approve the allocation of £823k from the Whitby Harbour Reserve to fund the fitting out of floors one and two of the Whitby Maritime Hub and a further £126k to meet additional construction costs as set out in **paragraph 4.3.3**.
  3. to approve the allocation of £750k from the Strategic Capacity Unallocated Reserve to support the Strategic Land Programme as set out in **paragraph 4.3.5**.
  4. to approve the allocation of £350k from the Strategic Capacity Unallocated Reserve to fund the acquisition of Crosby Road Car Park, Northallerton, as set out in **paragraph 4.3.5**.
  5. to approve the allocation of up to £3m from the Strategic Capacity Unallocated Reserve to fund the acquisition of leisure equipment to be used in the Active and Well Being Hubs across the county as set out in **paragraph 4.3.5**.
  6. to approve the allocation of £250k from Strategic Capacity Unallocated Reserve to fund the feasibility costs associated with the identification of potential accommodation arrangements that will eliminate any unregulated/unregistered provision as set out in **paragraph 4.3.5**.

RICHARD FLINTON  
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