

North Yorkshire County Council
Harrogate and Knaresborough Area Constituency Committee
16 September 2021
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.

The County Council's Forward Plan

The County Council publishes a Forward Plan which gives 28 days' notice of key decisions due to be taken. The Forward Plan is published at least once a month and includes:- a description of each matter; details of the decision to be made; consultees; and contact details. Below is a link to the relevant page on the County Council's website, from which the Forward Plan can be viewed. This is provided in case Committee Members wish to refer to the Forward Plan in identifying possible issues for inclusion in this Committee's work programme:-

<https://democracy.northyorks.gov.uk/>

Recommendation

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

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Harrogate and Knaresborough Area Constituency Committee Work Programme

Informal meetings of the Committee were held on the follow dates during the Covid-19 pandemic when formal meetings of the Council for most committees were postponed

In 2020:- 2 April, 23 April, 14 May, 4 June, 24 June, 23 July, 20 August, 24 September and 16 October

Thursday 12 November 2020, 9.30am, Live broadcast remote meeting

Subject	Description
Schools, Educational Achievement and Finance	To consider an annual report about schools, educational achievement and finance, to include attainment data, the landscape regarding organisational status/school places, school finances, and the position in relation to exclusions
North Yorkshire Healthy Child Programme	To comment on a consultation regarding Service changes

Friday 8 January 2021, 9.30am, Live broadcast remote meeting

Annual Council Budget Review	To review the annual Council budget and make recommendations to the Executive Member
Highway Transport Improvement Programme	To hear about the outcomes of the Programme study and the recommended next steps in the Programme development work streams

Thursday 18 March 2021, 10.00am, Live broadcast remote meeting

Update from Andrew Jones MP	To receive an update from Andrew Jones MP
Covid-19 Pandemic in North Yorkshire - Update	To receive an update from County Councillor Michael Harrison (Executive Member for Adult Services and Health Integration and Chair of North Yorkshire Health and Wellbeing Board)
Stronger Communities – Covid-19 Social Isolation and Approach to Community Efforts	To consider an annual report about Stronger Communities initiatives
Active Travel Schemes in Harrogate and Knaresborough – Progress Report	To receive updates on progress on the Active Travel Fund schemes, Beech Grove Low Traffic Neighbourhood and Otley Road cycle scheme
Forthcoming Public Consultation on Detailed Design for a Cycle Facility on Oatlands Drive, Harrogate	To receive information about this forthcoming Public Consultation
Harrogate Transforming Cities Fund Update	To receive an update on the Transforming Cities Fund proposals for Harrogate
Significant Investment Schemes by NYCC	To receive updates on the Harrogate York railway project, A59 Kex Gill and Junction 47 major schemes

Thursday 10 June 2021, 10.00am, Live broadcast remote meeting.

Due to the expiration of Government Regulations, this is an informal meeting, held in public and managed as through it is a formal meeting open to the public.

Initial Approach to Economic Recovery Following the Pandemic	To receive a report and presentation from Matt O'Neill (Assistant Director – Growth Planning and Trading Standards)
Outcome of Changes to Stroke Services at Harrogate Hospital	To consider, from Simon Cox of NHS North Yorkshire Clinical Commissioning Group the effects of recent changes made to Stroke Services at Harrogate Hospital
Harrogate Hospital - Waiting times for operations etc	To consider, from Beth Barron (Operational Director for Elective Care) HDFT, the situation regarding waiting times for operations etc at Harrogate Hospital
Appointments to Local Bodies – Extension of appointments made in 2017	To consider extending, until May 2022, the appointments made to local bodies by the former Harrogate Area Committee in June 2017

Thursday 16 September 2021, 10.00am, Live broadcast remote meeting.

Due to the expiration of Government Regulations, this is an informal meeting, held in public and managed as through it is a formal meeting open to the public.

North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner – Introduction and discussion	The new North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, Philip Allott, will attend to introduce himself to Members and undertake a discussion on relative issues with the Committee
Receipt of Petition “Remove the barriers blocking Beech Grove and Lancaster Road, Harrogate and stop this proposed LTN”	To advice of a petition and ask the Committee to respond

Thursday 25 November 2021, 10.00am, Live broadcast remote meeting

Schools, Educational Achievement and Finance	To consider an annual report about schools, educational achievement and finance, to include attainment data, the landscape regarding organisational status/school places, school finances, and the position in relation to exclusions
Rural Commission – Findings and Recommendations	To discuss the findings and recommendations of the Rural Commission
Stroke Services - The impact of the greater time spent travelling the longer distances to Leeds and York (subject to the availability of Simon Cox of NHS North Yorkshire Clinical Commissioning Group)	To consider and discuss data regarding the impact of the greater time spent travelling the longer distances to Leeds and York. Item identified by ACC at its meeting on 10 June 2021
Promotion of good nutrition and what more could be done to improve such promotion	To consider and discuss the promotion of good nutrition and what more could be done to improve such promotion. Item identified by ACC at its meeting on 10 June 2021. Possible attendance of a NHS Dietitian.

Possible additional meeting in early January 2022, Live broadcast remote meeting	
Annual Council Budget Review	Possible additional meeting to review the annual Council budget and make recommendations to the Executive Member
Thursday 17 March 2022, 10.00am, Live broadcast remote meeting	
Update from Andrew Jones MP (subject to Parliamentary business)	To receive an update from Andrew Jones MP
Stronger Communities	To consider an annual report about Stronger Communities initiatives
June 2022, 10.00am, Live broadcast remote meeting	
Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman	
Stroke Admission Pathway	Simon Cox of NHS North Yorkshire Clinical Commissioning Group

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Background documents: None