

**Chief Executives' Group – North Yorkshire and York
6 September 2018 at County Hall, Northallerton
Minutes and action points**

Present and apologies		Action
<p>Present: Justin Ives Nigel Hutchinson Leah Swain Tony Clark David Smurthwaite</p> <p>Jim Dillon David Butterworth</p> <p>Gary Fielding</p> <p>Rachel Bowles</p> <p>Lisa Winward Gary Housden</p> <p>Dave Caulfield</p> <p>Neil Ferris</p> <p>Paul Bell</p> <p>In attendance: Adam Bedford Neil Irving Odette Robson James Farrar</p> <p>David Bowe Deborah Hugill</p> <p>Apologies: Richard Flinton Mary Weastell Paul Shevlin Stacey Burlett Amanda Bloor Janet Waggott Caroline Lacey Andy Wilson</p> <p>Wallace Sampson</p>	<p>Hambleton District Council North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Community First Yorkshire Richmondshire District Council Craven District Council (on behalf of Paul Shevlin) Scarborough Borough Council Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority North Yorkshire County Council (on behalf of Richard Flinton) Harrogate Borough Council (on behalf of Wallace Sampson) North Yorkshire Police Ryedale District Council (on behalf of Stacey Burlett) Selby District Council (on behalf of Janet Waggott) City of York Council (on behalf of Mary Weastell) East Riding of Yorkshire Council (on behalf of Caroline Lacey)</p> <p>National Farmers Union North Yorkshire County Council North Yorkshire County Council York, North Yorkshire and East Riding LEP North Yorkshire County Council North Yorkshire County Council (secretariat)</p> <p>North Yorkshire County Council City of York Council Craven District Council Ryedale District Council Harrogate and Rural District CCG Selby District Council East Riding of Yorkshire Council North York Moors National Park Authority Harrogate Borough Council</p>	
<p>The group congratulated Lisa Winward on her appointment to the post of Chief Constable and she expressed her thanks for all the support she had received.</p>		

1	Minutes of last meeting – 7 June 2018 – and matters arising	Action
	The minutes were agreed as a true record.	
Part 1 2	National Farmers Union	Action
	<p>Adam Bedford, North East Regional Director, National Farmers Union (NFU) explained the role of the NFU in the North East Region, which includes Yorkshire, Durham and Northumberland. All sectors of farming are represented in the region and there is a large number of processing facilities too. He explained the Pride and Provenance campaign which aims to promote the strength and value of Yorkshire's agri-food sector. Results from the regular confidence survey of farmers and food processors has shown concerns about the future post Brexit relating to access to labour, rules and regulations and financial support.</p> <p>The NFU is working with the LEP in the area to support the food and farming industry, including structural change in the sector and developing opportunities for young people. It is acknowledged that the changes required are broader than just new business models but will also need to include changes in mind-set and wider cultural change. They are also hoping to do more around health and wellbeing in the countryside.</p> <p>Pilots in East Riding and with the National Trust were mentioned, and vital links between agriculture and the tourism offer emphasised.</p> <p>Adam was thanked for his presentation and it was agreed that building relationships between organisations in the area would be beneficial.</p>	
3	Update – North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership	Action
	<p>Odette Robson presented a report on progress against the priorities of the community safety partnership, including the partnership plan, inter-board arrangements, community safety hubs, domestic abuse, serious and organised crime, and hate crime and community cohesion.</p> <p>An independent evaluation has been undertaken of the hubs which will feed into future plans. The need for clarity around roles was emphasised.</p> <p>Odette explained that a new case management system across all the hubs has been funded by the PCC and will be rolled out shortly.</p> <p>A domestic homicide review is currently underway in Selby and it is likely that the report from this will be published in late autumn. Other reviews are likely to be coming forward in the next few months. The point was made that there is no specific budget for these reviews and that partners may need to contribute to funding in the future.</p> <p>It was agreed that further updates should concentrate on the priority areas, but also give an update on wider issues which might not otherwise be highlighted elsewhere.</p> <p>There was a discussion about CCTV which is being considered through the Directors of Development group. A detailed report for Leaders will be prepared once there has been more work on costings and cost benefit analysis.</p>	

4	Strategic data working group update	Action
	<p>Nigel Hutchinson presented a report updating the group on work which has been ongoing looking at the feasibility of developing a common approach to data sharing across North Yorkshire and York, particularly around vulnerable people.</p> <p>The working group has proposed some practical and relatively low-cost actions which will form the basis for good data sharing, rather than recommending a wholesale shared data initiative which would be costly and a challenge to implement. It was felt that it might be useful to make it clear within organisations that a single data hub was not envisaged.</p> <p>Data sharing is already happening in the community safety hubs and the new case management system should help.</p> <p>Lisa Winward agreed to lead this area of work as there are links with work already being carried out by North Yorkshire Police. The principles proposed in the paper will need to be worked through by those with responsibility for data in organisations to be clear about the impacts.</p> <p>A practical plan will be brought back to a future meeting about how to progress this work.</p>	LW
5	Future meetings of the group	Action
	<p>Neil Irving consulted the group on the potential content of a report on the strategic priority area of housing which is due to be brought to the November meeting of the group, and on proposed future meeting dates of the group.</p> <p>It was agreed that homelessness and affordability would be the best focus of the report and that the Chief Housing Officers' Group would be asked to lead on this.</p> <p>The dates for future meetings were agreed and will be circulated.</p>	<p>NI/DH</p> <p>DH</p>
Part 2 6	Business rates pool	Action
	<p>Gary Fielding gave a verbal update on the proposed business rates pool bid on behalf of the North Yorkshire Finance Officers Group. The deadline for submitting the proposed pilot is 25 September and the details are still being worked up.</p> <p>Government have invited councils to form pilots and keep 75% of business rates in the area. In North Yorkshire and East Riding this could result in around £5 - £10 million being available. There are a number of issues being considered in relation to the pilot, including whether all districts and East Riding would wish to be involved, which will affect potential sustainability and monies available.</p> <p>There are also decisions to be made about tier split and the use and size of a strategic pot.</p>	
7	LEP review	Action
	<p>James Farrar presented a report providing recommendations for responding to the LEP review 'Strengthening Local Enterprise Partnerships' published by</p>	

	<p>government in July 2018. The requirements of government were explained and an options analysis provided.</p> <p>The concern is that whilst there are benefits from the economies of scale of joining with West Yorkshire, there is a risk of being marginalised in a larger, and more urban geography.</p> <p>The recommendation was to explore two potential models – preferably a West and North Yorkshire LEP, and, as a second option, if specific assurances could not be made, a York and North Yorkshire LEP with a formal collaboration, including allowing City of York Council to retain the benefits of West Yorkshire transport scheme.</p> <p>The assurances required to protect the interests of York and North Yorkshire were agreed as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whilst West Yorkshire Combined Authority (WYCA) might act as accountable body, it should not be the final decision maker on investment decisions for York and North Yorkshire • Place based decisions must include the Local Authority where the investment is based. • Strategies need to be place-based to protect levels of investment in rural and coastal areas <p>These were agreed.</p> <p>The point was made that the essential ingredient in any future arrangement will be a culture of trust, which will need to be nurtured.</p>	
8	Report of the YNYER Directors of Development Group	Action
	<p>David Bowe provided an update on the work of the Directors of Development Group, particularly in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing delivery and a housing deal • Local energy strategy • Mobile telephony • Spatial framework • Transport project pipeline <p>There was a discussion around housing and the factors involved in failure to delivery developments.</p>	
9	Yorkshire Water issues	Action
	<p>Neil Irving led a discussion about issues with a relevance to Yorkshire Water which are likely to be raised when the Chief Executive of the utility company attends the next LGNYY meeting.</p>	
10	LGNYY meeting 5 October 2018	Action
	<p>It was agreed that, in addition to the items already mentioned in the report, a short update for Leaders should be provided in relation to work currently being undertaken on the CCTV issue.</p>	NI/DH
11	Any other business	Action
	<p>Nigel Hutchinson confirmed that this would be his last meeting as he would be retiring in October. He thanked the group for their support. The Police and</p>	

	<p>Crime Commissioner will be taking over governance of the Fire and Rescue Service from mid-November, so as an interim arrangement the Fire Authority have appointed Jez Rushworth for a three month period from October.</p> <p>Nigel was warmly thanked for his contribution to the group and wished a long and happy retirement.</p>	
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