



## Notice of public meeting of

### Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Committee

- To:** Councillors Douglas (Chair), Orrell (Vice-Chair), Fraser, Healey, Hodgson, King and Warters
- Date:** Tuesday, 12 November 2013
- Time:** 5.30 pm
- Venue:** The George Hudson Board Room - 1st Floor West Offices (F045)

## AGENDA

### 1. **Declarations of Interest**

Members are asked to declare:

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- Any prejudicial interests or
- Any disclosable pecuniary interests

which they may have in respect of business on this agenda.

### 2. **Minutes** (Pages 3 - 6)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2013.

### 3. **Public Participation**

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**4. Attendance of Cabinet Member for Environmental Services**

The Cabinet Member for Environmental Services will be in attendance to discuss his priorities and challenges.

**5. York and North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service (Pages 7 - 10)**

York and North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service will give a presentation on their work in support of the Safer York Partnership.

**6. Implementation of Recommendations from Previously Completed Scrutiny Reviews (Pages 11 - 24)**

This report provides Members with an update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the previously completed scrutiny reviews which fall within the remit of this overview and scrutiny committee.

**7. Work Plan and Verbal Update on Ongoing Scrutiny Reviews (Pages 25 - 26)**

- (i) Members are asked to consider the Committee's work plan.
- (ii) A verbal update will be given on ongoing scrutiny reviews.

**8. Urgent Business**

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent.

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Committee Minutes

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Meeting	Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Date	10 September 2013
Present	Councillors Douglas (Chair), Fraser, Healey, Hodgson, King, Warters and Reid (Substitute for Councillor Orrell)
Apologies	Councillor Orrell

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### 13. **Declarations of Interests**

Members were asked to declare at this point in the meeting any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, or any prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests they may have in respect of the business on the agenda.

Councillor Fraser declared a personal interest in respect of agenda item 4 (Night Time Economy Scrutiny Review), as Acting Chair of Micklegate Action Group.

Councillor King declared a personal interest in respect of agenda item 6 (Domestic Violence), as his daughter was Lord Mayor of York and IDAS (Independent Domestic Abuse Services) was one of her chosen charities for the year.

### 14. **Minutes**

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of 22 July 2013 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### 15. **Public Participation**

It was reported that there was one registration to speak under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

Mr Ken Sutcliffe, referring to the Safer York Partnership's (SYP) intention to cease the RACY (Retailers Against Crime in York) Coordinator's role and absorb into mainstream SYP and North Yorkshire Police operations, asked the scrutiny committee to consider whether this decision was in the best interests of the

city centre retailers and the City of York. He tabled information to the Committee explaining the reasons for his representation.

It was agreed that the Chair would be briefed by RACY on the situation and would report back at the next meeting.

## **16. Night Time Economy Scrutiny Review**

- (i) Members considered a report on the work of the Safer York Partnership Alcohol, Violence and Night Time Economy (AVANTE) Task Group.

Details were given of some of the strategies that had been implemented and the achievements that had been made to date, as outlined in the written report.

Members were given details of Operation Erase, which was a multi-agency operation aimed at tackling the problems caused by the high numbers of travelling groups arriving by train from the North East each Saturday to drink in local pubs and bars.

Discussion took place regarding the Alcohol Restriction Zone (ARZ) for the city centre and railway station. Members drew officers' attention to problems that had been reported in respect of Blossom Street and Micklegate and in other parts of the city centre.

Members were informed that partners had expressed concern at the growing number of off-license premises within the city centre. They had suggested that it would be beneficial for there to be improved coordination between the Planning and Licensing departments. Attention was drawn to the relevant statutory guidance.

- (ii) Verbal briefings were given on other related issues for possible scrutiny in respect of the night time economy including:
- Public toilets
  - Street cleansing
  - Licensing regulations
  - Commercial waste storage

- Resolved: (i) That the report on the work of the AVANTE Task Group be noted.
- (ii) That the Committee's work on the night-time economy scrutiny review focus on street cleansing.

Reason: To enable the committee to contribute to the night-time economy scrutiny review.

**17. Quarter 1 Finance and Performance Update for Environmental Services and Public Protection**

Members considered a report that provided an update on financial performance for Environmental Services and Public Protection.

Officers drew attention to the variations, including the shortfall in respect of Highways, Waste and Fleet, which was largely due to delays in implementing the savings surrounding Waste Services.

Resolved: That the report on the financial position of the portfolio be noted.

Reason: In accordance with budgetary and performance monitoring procedures.

**18. Report on Domestic Violence**

Members considered a briefing note which provided information on domestic violence.

The Domestic Violence Coordinator gave details of her role and of the work that was being carried out to tackle domestic violence within the city.

At the request of Members, details were given of the White Ribbon Campaign.

Resolved: That the briefing note on domestic violence be noted.

Reason: To ensure that Members are aware of the work that is taking place to tackle this issue.

**19. Work Plan**

Members gave consideration to the committee's work plan.

Referring to the minutes of the last meeting, clarification was sought as to when it would be possible to receive an update on the policy on tethered horses. It was agreed that this would be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Resolved: That, subject to the inclusion of the following agenda items, the work plan be approved:

- Update on Policy on Tethered Horses (meeting of 12 November 2013)
- Informal meeting of the committee to be convened in October to progress work on the street cleansing aspect of the night-time economy scrutiny review.

Reason: To ensure that the committee has a planned programme of work in place.

Councillor Douglas, Chair

[The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 7.30 pm].



**CITY OF YORK COUNCIL****COMMUNITY SAFETY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE****November 2013****North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service Community Safety Update**  
**York****Report of Group Manager David Dryburgh****1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1.1 To advise members of the City of York Council, Community Safety and Overview Committee of community safety activity involving North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service (NYFRS) and to provide an update regarding other issues from within the York District.

**2.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 2.1 The following report covers the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013.
- 2.2 The activities detailed in this report contribute to the vision of NYFRS which states that 'over the ten years to 2014, in North Yorkshire and the City of York, 125 people will still be alive through the work of the new Fire & Rescue Service. This will be due to the Service having significantly reduced the likelihood and severity of fire and other emergencies. We will achieve this through the dedication of our staff working in partnership with other agencies in the community.'
- 2.3 The most recent figures show that due to the efforts of NYFRS working alongside partners this vision should be achieved and it is currently being exceeded (based on current figures, which can change, 151 people will still be alive).
- 2.4 Locally, within The City of York, we ensure that our three main strands of activity; intervention (attending and dealing with emergencies), prevention (proactive community safety work) and protection (technical fire safety activity) all contribute towards delivering against our vision.

### 3.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY OVERVIEW

- 3.1 The following activity list provides an overview of the Community Safety initiatives conducted in The City of York area in the past 12 months.

<b>Community Fire Safety (Prevention)</b>	<b>October 2012 to September 2013</b>
Smoke Alarms fitted	572
Home Fire Risk Assessments	492
Matrix deployments	6
Targeted driving campaigns	7
School talks promoting community safety	29
Other community fire safety activities	117

<b>Technical Fire Safety (Protection)</b>	
Number of Fire Safety Audits Completed	424
All TFS job types completed	1093
Prohibition Notices Served	6
Enforcement Notices Served	5

- 3.2 Home Fire Risk Assessments and the fitting of smoke alarms in domestic properties are considered amongst the most effective measures for reducing risk and increasing the chance of survival if a fire does occur in the home.
- 3.3 To maximize the efficiency of our resources and ensure we target risk where it is highest we have mapped the risk across the City of York by 'super output area'. This process allows us to assign a risk score against each area and target those areas most at risk for prevention activities. However, we recognize that there are vulnerable people in those areas not falling within the highest risk so amongst other activities we work with partners within a Vulnerable Persons Referral Framework to pass on details of any individuals we consider to be at particular risk and likewise we accept and act on referrals from partner agencies.
- 3.4 Part of the '125 Alive' vision is targeting those who die in Road Traffic Collisions. To influence this we work in partnership with the York Road Safety Task Group to deliver campaigns targeted at vulnerable drivers

and to deploy speed matrix warning signs and radar recording devices to highlight where the greatest areas of risk lie.

- 3.5 'Other community fire safety activities' covers a wide variety of activities from bonfire awareness through to safety on water awareness campaigns. However it is worth noting from this list that following any fire in a domestic property, which would require NYFRS to act in its intervention capacity, we 'hot spot' the surrounding area. This allows us to carry out community safety prevention activity when vulnerable persons are most receptive to ensuring the risk is minimized in their own homes.
- 3.6 Complementing our prevention and intervention activities we also have a risk based inspection program to ensure that there is compliance with relevant fire safety legislation.
- 3.7 This protection activity involves NYFRS staff assuring that suitable risk assessments are in place under the Regulatory Reform Order (Fire) and where they are not, working with businesses and other stakeholders to ensure safety standards are raised.
- 3.8 As can be seen from the table above, in some cases, where breaches of the legislation are more serious it will be necessary to issue enforcement notices or to prohibit the use of part or all of a building where there is a serious risk to public safety.
- 3.9 Our protection activity also involves a wider range of activities beyond enforcing the Regulatory Reform Order (Fire) such as consulting on building regulations submissions and providing advice alongside partners at the Safety Advisory Group and Safety at Sports Ground Group.

#### **4.0 YORK PROJECT UPDATE**

- 4.1 The 'York Project', to relocate staff and appliances from their current location at Clifford Street to a purpose built station at Kent Street and the existing station at Huntington is progressing well and we plan to have relocated to both sites before the end of Spring next year.
- 4.2 Work is well underway at the Kent Street site where one appliance and the water rescue unit will be located and works are expected to commence imminently at Huntington station where an extension will be built at the rear of the station to house the aerial ladder platform

from Clifford Street and one fire appliance which will be located in the existing station.

- 4.3 It is not anticipated that this project will have any negative impact on the Service's prevention and protection activities but it is intended to deliver a more effective intervention service.
- 4.4 The project will be reviewed one year after its completion.

## **5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 5.1 That Members note the activities that have taken place.

Reason: To enable Members to be kept informed of the work of the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service in respect of community safety.

**David Dryburgh**  
**Group Manager York**

**01 November 2013**



**NORTH YORKSHIRE  
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**

# **North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service Community Safety Update**

**Dave Dryburgh  
Group Manager**

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- INTERVENTION**

<b>RESOURCES</b>		
	<b>2013</b>	
<b>YORK</b>	<b>ACOMB</b>	<b>HUNTINGTON</b>
2 X FIRE APPLIANCE	2 X FIRE APPLIANCE	1 X FIRE APPLIANCE
1 X BOAT	1 X IRU	
1 X AERIAL LADDER		
	<b>2014</b>	
1 X FIRE APPLIANCE	2 X FIRE APPLIANCE	2 X FIRE APPLIANCE
1 X BOAT	1 X IRU	1 X AERIAL LADDER



**NORTH YORKSHIRE  
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**

- **PROTECTION**

<b>RESOURCES</b>
1 X STATION MANAGER
2 X WATCH MANAGERS
2 X ASSISTANT INSPECTORS
WATCH BASED STAFF

<b>ACTIVITY</b>	
AUDITS	424
OTHER JOBS	1093
PROHIBITIONS	6
ENFORCEMENTS	5

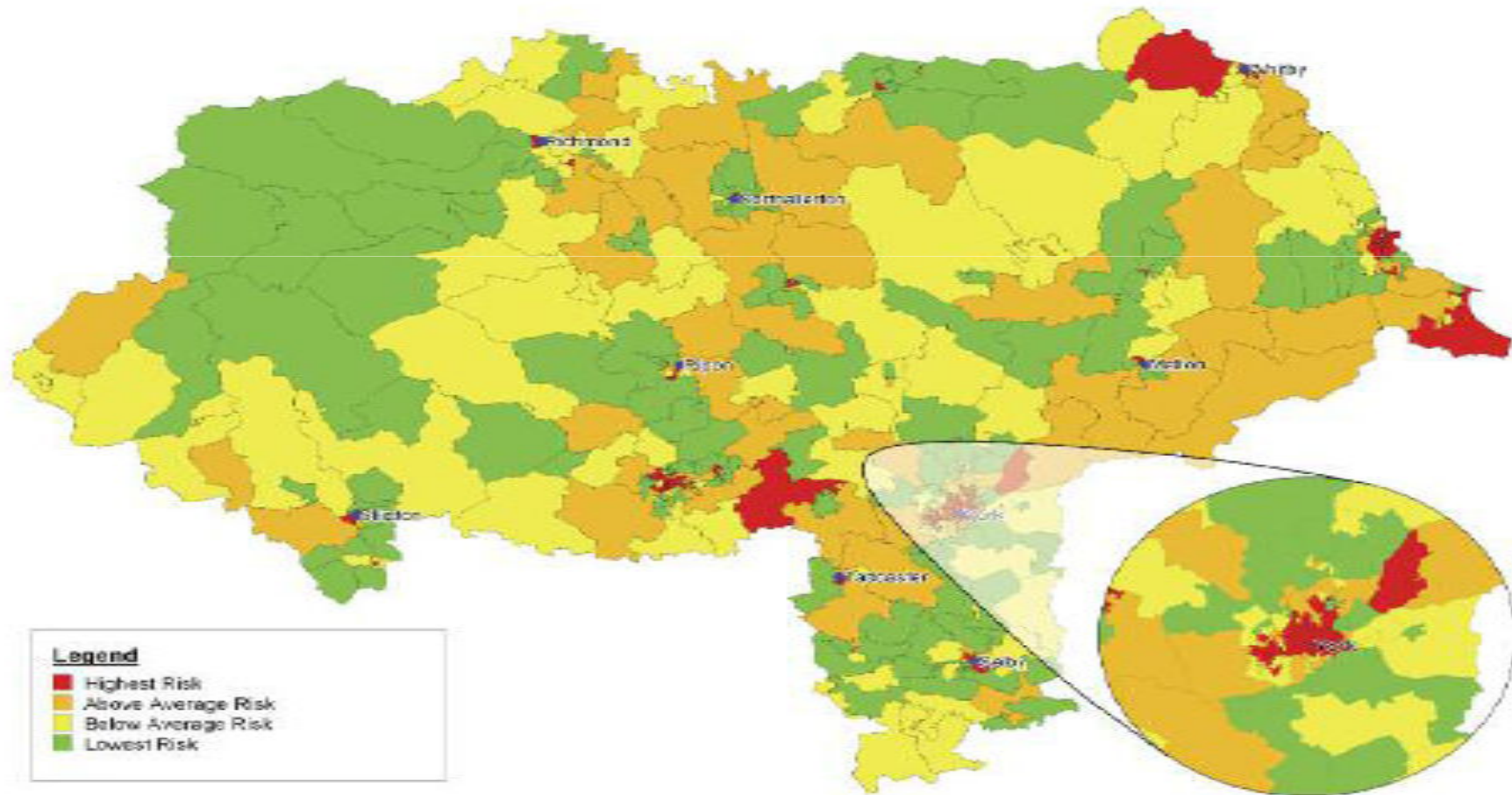
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**NORTH YORKSHIRE  
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**

- **PREVENTION TARGETING**







**NORTH YORKSHIRE  
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**

- **PREVENTION**

**RESOURCES**

2 x COMMUNITY SAFETY OFFICERS

WATCH BASED STAFF

**ACTIVITY**

SMOKE ALARMS	572
HOME FIRE RISK ASSESSMENTS	492
MATRIX DEPLOYMENTS	6
TARGETED DRIVING CAMPAIGNS	7
SCHOOL TALKS	29
OTHER COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITY	117



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## **OUTCOME OF COMMUNITY SAFETY**

**‘Over the ten years to 2014, in North Yorkshire and the City of York, 125 people will still be alive through the work of the new Fire & Rescue Service. This will be due to the Service having significantly reduced the likelihood and severity of fire and other emergencies. We will achieve this through the dedication of our staff working in partnership with other agencies in the community.’**

**(On target to achieve 151, but subject to change)**

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**Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Committee 12 November 2013**  
Report of the Assistant Director, Governance & ICT

**Update on Implementation of Recommendations from Previously Completed Scrutiny Reviews**

**Summary**

1. This report provides Members with an update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the previously completed scrutiny reviews which fall within the remit of this overview & scrutiny committee.

**Background**

2. Community Resilience Scrutiny Review  
At a meeting in September 2012, this Committee agreed they would like to carry out a review on adaptation to climate change. Their concerns centred on the increase in localised surface water flooding (not river flooding) and they questioned what plans the Council had in place to respond.
3. At a meeting in November 2012, the Committee received a presentation on the changing climate, flood risk and emergency planning in respect of flooding in general. They considered information on York's vulnerability to past events e.g. flooding, snow, wind and storms etc, and, the consequential disruption to Council and/or Partner organisations processes i.e. interference with day to day service delivery and normal operational regime. They also looked at the predicted changes in climate for the future and its potential impact.
4. In January 2013, the Committee received information on Surface Water Management and queried if there were ways in which communities could assist the council in identifying flood risks, and learnt that the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy included consultation and engagement with the community. Also, that the council encouraged residents to notify them when persistent surface water problems occurred in order that they could be assessed.

5. Having considered all of the information provided, the committee agreed that a review of Surface Water Management was not required following Cabinet's approval of a new Surface Water Management Plan. However having learnt that the new plan was generic for across the whole city, this raised the question of community preparedness for any form of emergency, as the Committee perceived a gap in emergency preparedness at community level. They therefore agreed that the focus of their scrutiny review should be on the arrangements in place to enable communities to be more resilient in times of emergency.
6. Work on the review concluded in April 2013 and the Committee concluded that:
  - The approach taken by East Riding of Yorkshire Council to community resilience planning could be adapted and combined with current practices in York e.g. Snow Wardens, Flood Wardens etc, for introduction across the city.
  - The introduction of community emergency plans could be supported by the Council's Emergency Planning Unit and the Communities & Equalities Team, and the completed plans could lie beneath the Community Contracts currently being drawn up.
  - The council's partners e.g. North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue and Yorkshire Water would be willing to support and help fund the process of introducing community resilience plans.
  - It would also be useful to provide individual households with advice and guidance on emergency preparedness.
7. In May 2013 the review recommendations were approved by Cabinet, and this report presents the first update on their implementation – see Annex A. Having been made aware of the update information provided, the Chair of this Committee has requested some additional information. The questions raised are also included in Annex A.
8. Winter Maintenance Review  
In January 2010, following a period of prolonged snowfall, this Committee agreed to carry out a review of the Council's Winter Maintenance Policy based on the following objectives:
  - i) To review current policy in regard to cycle paths to:

- understand the practicalities of gritting different types of cycleways and optimum timing for gritting and make available this information in order to control residents and visitor expectations
- draw up a priority list of cycle routes to be gritted where funding and resources allow, for inclusion in the manual
- Consult cycling groups to raise awareness of the issues

ii) To review current policy in regard to council funded salt bins:

- to understand the costs involved to the council of supplying and maintaining 200+ salt bins across the city, and filling / re-filling those salt bins
- to compare the advantages and disadvantages of providing those salt bins i.e. does the provision of salt via salt bins only benefit a minority of residents, could the money be put to better use funding the gritting of secondary routes across the city e.g. rat runs / roads with gradients, and public areas such as outside schools, public car parks etc

iii) To identify:

- current working practices not presently included in the manual e.g. working relationship with call centre to identify residents' concerns etc
- reasons why the council is unable to grit certain road, cycle and pedestrian routes within the city e.g. due to limitations in staff resources, suitable equipment and funding and make available this information in order to control residents' and visitor expectations
- a list of secondary roads / routes for gritting where funding and resources allow

iv) To review the Council's methods for raising awareness of the gritting policy and communicating with interested parties

9. The final report and the review recommendations were presented to Cabinet in July 2010. At the same meeting the Cabinet also considered revisions to the council's Winter Maintenance Policy drafted by officers based on the findings from the Scrutiny Review. Both the review

recommendations and the revised policy were subsequently approved by Cabinet.

10. Taxi Licensing Scrutiny Review

In September 2010 this committee were informed that a survey of unmet demand was required in spring 2011 with a view to reviewing the restriction policy on hackney carriage numbers. Officers welcomed this scrutiny review as a way of assisting with their revision of the policy within that timeframe.

11. A Task Group was set up to carry out the review and a timeframe for the review was agreed to enable the review findings to be fed into the Licensing Unit's policy review process. The agreed aim and objectives were:

To ensure the council has an up to date Taxi Licensing Policy which is robust and fit for purpose by:

- i. Considering the future allocation of hackney carriage vehicle licences having regard to the Department for Transport's Best Practice Guidance for Taxi & Private Hire Licensing, in meeting the needs of all potential members of the travelling public
  - ii. Examining the provision and usage of taxi ranks in the city
  - iii. Examining conditions attached to vehicle licences, in particular with regard to accessibility, emissions, vehicle colour and window tinting
  - iv. Looking at innovative ways in which the licensed taxi and private fleet may enhance the public transport provision both within the city and in rural communities
12. The recommendations arising were presented to the Gambling Licensing & Regulatory Committee in July 2011. Recommendations 1 & 5-15 were approved and recommendations 2-4 & 16 were noted to be officer delegated decisions. The recommendations were subsequently fed into revisions to the Taxi Licensing Policy which was later approved by Cabinet on 21 November 2011.

**Consultation**

13. The Assistant Director of Housing & Community Safety has provided the update information contained within Annex A, and will be in attendance at this meeting to answer any questions arising.

## **Options**

14. In regard to the Community Resilience Review, Members may choose to sign off any individual recommendations where implementation has been completed, and can:
  - a. request further updates and the attendance of the relevant officers at a future meeting to clarify any outstanding recommendations relating to the above reviews or;
  - b. agree to receive no further updates on those reviews
15. In regard to both the Winter Maintenance and Taxi Licensing Reviews, Members are asked to consider whether they would like reports to a future meeting on how successfully the associated revised policies have been embedded into working practices.

## **Council Plan 2011-15**

16. The Community Resilience Review supported the Council's priority to build strong communities and be a city full of active and self-reliant communities, where everyone has an effective voice in local issues and where there is a strong sense of belonging.
17. In regard to the Winter Maintenance Review, a robust gritting policy provides an environment which allows workers and visitors to travel freely and safely around the city in times of severe weather, therefore maintaining the city's economy. This supports the council's strategic aim to make the city safer and enabling it to thrive.
18. The Taxi Licensing Review supported a number of the priorities within the Council Plan i.e. to make York a thriving city with a successful economy, and a safer city.

## **Implications**

19. There are no known Financial, Human Resources, Equalities, Legal, ITT or other implications associated with the recommendation made in this report.

## **Risk Management**

20. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated with this report.

## Recommendations

21. Members are asked to note the contents of this report and
- i. Sign off all recommendations from the Community Resilience Review that have been fully implemented.
  - ii. Agree whether a future report on the embedding of council policies revised as a result of the Winter Maintenance Review and the Taxi Licensing Review should be brought to a future meeting of this Committee.

Reason: To raise awareness of those recommendations which are still to be fully implemented.

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**Report Approved**  **Date** 25 October 2013

**Wards Affected:** All

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**Background Papers:** None

## Annexes:

Annex A – Update on Community Resilience Review Recommendations  
Annex B – Update on Winter Maintenance Review Recommendations  
Annex C – Update on Taxi Licensing Review Recommendations



### Implementation Update of Approved Recommendations from Community Resilience Scrutiny Review

Recommendation	Implementation Status as of November 2013
<p>i) Strengthen Community Resilience by following best practice as implemented by others (e.g. East Riding of Yorkshire Council) through the introduction of Community Resilience Plans</p>	<p>Community (Resilience) Emergency Plans are already in place, the authority has 7 in place at the moment, albeit some of which have been in place without review for some time.</p> <p>Following Cabinet agreeing the recommendations from Scrutiny work has been ongoing to engage with communities approach to their own resilience</p> <p><u>Questions from Chair</u>  Were these 7 plans in place before the review?  When were they introduced?  How up to date are they?  Are they all Parish Council ones?</p>
<p>ii) Work with Communities to help them identify any available external funding</p>	<p>Will follow as a result of work coming out of (iii)</p> <p><u>Questions from Chair</u>  If any communities have decided to proceed what support has CYC given to help them identify ext. Funding?</p>
<p>iii) Work with appropriate partners to encourage their support and assistance</p>	<p>A community training event was carried out on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October supported by 5 Partners (Fire, EA, Met Office, British Red Cross &amp; NYP) - see flyer attached</p>

The aim was to provide focused information on how the agencies work and how communities could support them and how they could support the communities to become more resilient.

Questions from Chair

How many attended the event?

Which communities did they represent?

Are further events planned?

Does the pack produced contain the contact details for all the partners?

The follow on stage from this will be to work with interested communities to develop new Community (Resilience) Emergency Plans

Questions from Chair

How many have since expressed an interest in developing a community plan?

What follow up has been done to encourage them?

What response have Residents Forums given to the new Community Resilience Emergency Plans?



North  
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Police



in partnership with  
Environment  
Agency



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NORTH YORKSHIRE  
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

# What should you do in an emergency?

A training event for residents to meet  
York organisations involved in emergency  
planning and response

## Planning for Emergencies

Date: **Thursday 3 October**

Time: **5.30pm to 8.30pm**

Venue: **City of York Council, West Offices, Station Rise, YO1 6GA**

- Prepare for emergencies such as flooding, severe weather, power failure, influenza etc
  - Understand who does what in the case of incidents
- Learn how you, your family and community can avoid the worst effects, recover quickly and become more resilient.
- Meet volunteers such as snow and flood wardens and find out what other emergency volunteering opportunities exist

Free refreshments will be available and each participant will be given a free pack of useful information.

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## **Approved Recommendations arising from Winter Maintenance Scrutiny Review**

In relation to cycleways, that:

- i. Up-to-date information on the gritting of 'main' cycle access routes into the city centre to be provided via the council's website and in other ways, so that cyclists can make an informed choice on whether or not to use their bicycle and which route to take.

In relations to salt bins, that:

- ii. The current number of council funded salt bins be maintained
- iii. In times of severe and prolonged bad weather, the council provide self-help bags at various locations across the city.
- iv. A list of sites be identified for locating the self help bags through consultation with Ward Committees and Parish Councils
- v. The criteria for the provision of the self-help bags and the list of sites be included within the Winter Gritting Policy

In relation to secondary routes, that:

- vi. A list of secondary routes be identified based on the criteria detailed in paragraphs 36-38 above
- vii. The decision on when to treat those secondary routes be the responsibility of the Winter Maintenance Group
- viii. The list of secondary routes and the criteria be included in the council's Winter Maintenance Policy

In regard to the policy and raising awareness, that:

- ix. The policy be updated to reflect all current working practices and any approved recommendations arising from this review
- x. Information on why the Council are unable to grit some roads and cycle routes be included in the policy
- xi. The proposed methods of raising public awareness of the policy detailed in paragraph 45 of the final report, be adopted
- xii. The Council produce an information leaflet covering all the relevant services, with input where appropriate from the relevant providers as detailed in paragraph 51 of the final report – this information also to be made available via the council website

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## **Approved Recommendations arising from Taxi Licensing Scrutiny Review**

- i. Not to introduce deregulation. Future increases in the number of taxi licenses to be subject to the findings from future unmet demand surveys and the forthcoming quota to be set by the Government for wheelchair accessible vehicles. Outside of this, in an effort to introduce/increase the number of environmentally friendly vehicles into the city's taxi fleet, two additional licences to be made available to applicants with a hybrid or electric vehicle every 6 months. These to be over and above any additional licences issued as a result of future unmet demand surveys.
- ii. CYC Planning Dept to encourage the siting of new/additional taxi ranks adjacent to major new developments e.g. outside the new stadium or near the new council offices or major retail centres / supermarkets. (*Officer Delegated Decision*)
- iii. CYC to produce a map showing York's taxi ranks indicating times of use and incorporated into other local maps, to raise public awareness of little-used ranks in the city centre. Map to be made available on CYC website and hard copies to be provided to relevant external parties e.g. Visit York. (*Officer Delegated Decision*)
- iv. For a 12 month trial period, the rank at Duncombe Place to be made available for use on a full time basis. (*Officer Delegated Decision*)
- v. To reduce the emissions from hackneys and PHVs, the following European standards only to be accepted for replacement vehicles, as from 1 June 2012 for hackneys and 1 November 2012 for PHVs.
  - For petrol cars – Euro 4 petrol vehicle class
  - For diesel cars – Euro 5 diesel vehicle class
- vi. The number of low emission vehicles and to meet the forthcoming quota to be set by the government for wheelchair accessible vehicles, a hierarchy should be applied to issuing new licences in priority order as follows:
  - those applicants providing an electric car
  - those applicants providing a hybrid car or euro 3 standard gas fuelled car
  - those applicants providing a wheelchair accessible diesel car
  - those applicants providing a petrol car

- vii. No additional hackney carriage vehicle licences will be issued to 'non wheelchair accessible' diesel cars.
- viii. Where there are a number of applicants with cars of the same type (i.e. types shown above) the order they are issued plates should be based on the length of time they have been on the waiting list in line with the council's current policy.
- ix. CYC Taxi Licensing Unit to monitor emissions and the number of wheelchair accessible vehicles in York's taxi fleet (Hackneys and PHVs) by revising their annual inspection regime to ensure the gathering and recording of the relevant information, within the new Licensing Unit computer system (once its commissioned)
- x. Introduce as soon as is practicable, a requirement for new taxi drivers to undertake an Eco-driving course prior to the issue of a taxi licence.
- xi. Support for the council's current policy in regard to livery of the city's taxi fleet, but in the light of the court judgement, it be made advisory.
- xii. Subject to the adequate progression with new technologies making the application practical and the introduction of vehicle charging points as shown in the implementation plan at Annex D of the final report, introduce a zero tail pipe emissions policy similar to the Mayor's plan for London for hackneys and PHVs by 2021.
- xiii. The council to be sympathetic towards the introduction of taxi buses for use in rural areas and work with possible future providers to investigate how such services may be introduced.
- xiv. In regard to taximeters, the policy to include a new specification - 'the taximeter must comply with the Measuring Instruments (Taximeter) Regulations 2006 and must be of the calendar control type which is locked and sealed by an approved manufacturer/supplier and/or installer' The application of any GPS system must provide a comparable level of security for the customer.
- xv. The new specification to initially apply to new vehicle applications only and subsequently will apply to all existing vehicles, both hackney and private hire (where fitted) with effect from 1 April 2015.
- xvi. The council to continue to assist in raising all drivers' awareness of the training programme currently offered by Visit York. (*Officer Delegated Decision*)



## Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Committee – Workplan 2013-14

Dates	Work Programme
5 June 2013 @ 5pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introductory Presentations on Suggested Scrutiny Topics for Review in this Municipal Year:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) <i>Restorative Justice</i> – to look at the work of the Youth Offending Team and SYP</li> <li>ii) <i>Tenancy Enforcement</i> – to look at tenancy related issues affected by the relationship between mental health, and ASB and other crime.</li> <li>iii) <i>CCTV</i> - to understand any changes/developments in service provision as a result of the move to West Offices and the introduction of the new technologies.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Workplan</li> </ol>
22 July 2013 @5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attendance of Cabinet Member for Crime &amp; Stronger Communities – discussion re priorities &amp; challenges</li> <li>2. Safer York Partnership Bi-Annual Performance Report (Ian Cunningham)</li> <li>3. CYC Year End Financial &amp; Performance Monitoring Report (Patrick Looker)</li> <li>4. Workplan</li> </ol>
10 Sept 2013 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attendance of Police Commissioner (Julia Mulligan) <i>Unable to attend – deferred to following meeting</i></li> <li>2. CYC First Qtr Finance &amp; Performance Monitoring Report (Patrick Looker)</li> <li>3. Report on Domestic Violence (Joanne Beilby NYPS).</li> <li>4. Report on the work of AVANTE (Alcohol, Violence &amp; Night-Time Economy) (Tanya Lyon SYP)</li> <li>5. Night-time Economy Scrutiny Review – Briefing on other related issues for possible scrutiny review</li> <li>6. Workplan inc. verbal update on A-boards Scrutiny Review</li> </ol>
12 Nov 2013 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attendance of Police Commissioner (Julia Mulligan) – deferred to January 2014 meeting</li> <li>2. Attendance of Cabinet Member for Environmental Services</li> <li>3. Attendance of York &amp; North Yorkshire Fire &amp; Rescue Service – presentation on their work in support of SYP</li> <li>4. Update on implementation of recommendations from previously completed scrutiny reviews</li> <li>5. Workplan &amp; Verbal Update on Ongoing Scrutiny Reviews</li> </ol>
14 January 2014 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attendance of Police Commissioner (Julia Mulligan) – deferred from previous meeting (<i>awaiting confirmation</i>)</li> <li>2. CYC Second Qtr Finance &amp; Performance Monitoring Report</li> <li>3. Safer York Partnership Bi-Annual Performance Report (Ian Cunningham)</li> <li>4. Workplan &amp; Verbal Update on scrutiny review No.1</li> </ol>
11 March 2014 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attendance of Probation Service</li> <li>2. CYC Third Qtr Finance &amp; Performance Monitoring Report</li> <li>3. Scrutiny Topic No.1 – Draft Final Report</li> <li>4. Workplan &amp; Verbal Update on Scrutiny Review No.2</li> </ol>
22 April 2014	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attendance of Cabinet Mbr for Environmental Services - discussion re priorities &amp; challenges 2014/15</li> <li>2. Police &amp; Crime Panel Workplan 2014-2015 – Attendance of PCP Support Officer &amp; CYC Panel Members</li> <li>3. Scrutiny Topic No.2 – Draft Final Report</li> <li>4. Draft Workplan for 2014/15 – Discussion re Possible Topics for Scrutiny Review in coming Year.</li> </ol>

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