



**Notice of a public meeting of
Communities and Environment Policy and Scrutiny Committee**

- To:** Councillors Gunnell (Chair), Richardson (Vice-Chair),
Dew, Funnell, Hunter, Kramm and Mason
- Date:** Wednesday, 15 March 2017
- Time:** 5.30 pm
- Venue:** The Auden Room - Ground Floor, West Offices (G047)

AGENDA

1. Declarations of Interest

At this point, Members are asked to declare:

- any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests
- any prejudicial interests or
- any disclosable pecuniary interests

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

2. Minutes (Pages 1 - 8)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Communities and Environment Policy and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 25 January 2017.

3. Public Participation

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4. 2016/17 Finance and Performance Monitor 3 Report

(Pages 9 - 20)

This report provides details of the 2016/17 forecast outturn position for both finance and performance across services within this scrutiny committee's remit.

5. Flood Risk in York - the York 5 Year Plan Update

(Pages 21 - 28)

The Environment Agency (EA) is leading on the development of a five year flood plan for York. City of York Council are working closely with the EA on the development of this plan. An update to the plan is given at Annex 1 and a further presentation will be made at the meeting

6. Update on Implementation of Recommendations from Previously Completed Goose Management Scrutiny Review (Pages 29 - 38)

This report provides the committee with their first formal update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the previously completed Goose Management Scrutiny Review.

7. Workplan 2016/7 (Pages 39 - 40)

Members are asked to give consideration to the committee's work plan for 2016/7.

8. Urgent Business

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

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City of York Council

Committee Minutes

Meeting	Communities and Environment Policy and Scrutiny Committee
Date	25 January 2017
Present	Councillors Gunnell (In the Chair agenda items 1 to 9), Richardson (Vice-Chair in the Chair agenda item 10), Dew, Funnell, Hunter and Mason
In attendance	Councillor Carr (agenda items 6 to 9) Councillor Waller (agenda items 1 to 4 and item 9)
Apologies	Councillor Kramm

33. Declarations of Interest

Members were asked to declare any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, or any prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest that they might have in respect of the business on the agenda. No additional interests were declared.

34. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the Communities and Environment Policy and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 16 November 2016 and the Ward Funding Scrutiny Review Task Group meeting held on 4 January 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

35. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

36. Update on Mixed Recycling & Waste Collection - Executive Member for Environment

Members considered a report from the Executive Member for Environment that provided an update on the progress that had been made in obtaining new vehicles to replace the ageing FAME lorries and the changes that had been made to waste collection and recycling. Members had also received a copy of the report that had been presented at the Decision Session held on 9 January 2017, and which detailed the waste collection calendar and arrangements for 2017.

Members commented on the need to ensure that there was good communication with residents to clarify which items could be recycled, particularly in respect of plastics. The Executive Member informed Members that regular discussions took place with Yorwaste and that a Community Recycling Fund had been set up to engage with groups regarding this issue.

The Executive Member for Environment was thanked for his attendance at the meeting.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

Reason: To ensure that the committee is kept updated on the arrangements for recycling and waste collection.

37. CYC Second Qtr Finance & Performance Monitoring Report

Members gave consideration to a report which provided details of the 2016/17 forecast outturn position for both finance and performance across services within Economy & Place and Health, Housing & Adult Social Care.

Members' attention was drawn to the main variations by service plan, as detailed in paragraphs 3 to 9 of the report.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

Reason: To update Members on the latest finance and performance position.

38. Update on Current Community Safety Plan & Hate Crime Strategy

Members considered a report which provided an update on tackling hate crime and the development of the Community Safety Plan for 2017-20.

Officers explained why the Safer York Partnership Board had agreed that hate crime should not be the subject of a separate strategy but should, in future, feature within the priorities for the new Community Safety Plan. Details were given of the ways in which hate crime was reported and recorded, and the follow-up action that was taken when sufficient information was provided to enable this to happen.

The Executive Leader (incorporating Housing and Safer Neighbourhoods) stated that hate crime would continue to be taken very seriously and to be tackled in a range of ways. It was, however, important to note that incidents of hate crime in the city remained low.

Members acknowledged that it was a more efficient use of resources to bring hate crime within the overall Community Safety Plan and to take a more holistic approach, but they expressed concern that this type of crime may be underreported. It was suggested that, in some instances, online bullying was a form of hate crime. Officers confirmed that a more joined-up approach and cross-cutting approach was being taken to tackle this type of issue.

Consideration was given to the priorities that had been identified for inclusion in the Safer York Partnership's three-year plan, as outlined in the report. Officers explained that each partner would be responsible for reporting on the priorities on which they were leading. The plan was currently in draft format and was due to be finalised in March 2017.

Members were invited to identify particular strategic objectives relating to the priorities contained within the Community Safety Plan and any issues they would like to see reflected in the action plans.

Noting that Tackling Organised Crime had been included as a priority in the Community Safety Plan, Members commented on the challenges faced in tackling cybercrime, including the

resource implications. It was of particular concern that crimes such as scams often targeted vulnerable members of the community.

- Resolved:
- (i) That the decisions made by the Safer York Partnership in December 2016 regarding the Community Safety Plan and the incorporation of hate crime within that plan be noted.
 - (ii) That, at their meeting in March 2017, the committee would give further consideration to the draft Community Safety Plan, and in particular, the draft strategic objectives that would drive the delivery of the priorities identified in the Plan.
 - (iii) That, in view of the new approach to tackling hate crime, the work planned by the Hate Crime Strategy Scrutiny Review Task Group was no longer required.

Reason: To update the committee on hate crime and the development of the Community Safety Plan.

39. Safer York Partnership Bi-annual Performance Report

Members considered a report which provided an overview of the detailed data contained within the Safer York Partnership bi-annual performance report (annex A of the report).

Resolved: That the report be noted.

Reason: To update the Committee on the performance of the Safer York Partnership.

40. Report on Domestic Abuse & Drug Related Crime

Members considered a report which provided an update on domestic abuse and drug related crime.

(i) Domestic Abuse

Officers drew Members' attention to Annex A of the report, which provided statistics on domestic abuse in York. Members noted that core services to support victims of domestic abuse were commissioned through the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and monitored by a Joint Co-ordinating Group (JCG) for York and North Yorkshire. An Annual Report was being produced which would include quantitative statistics and information on the performance of service providers in supporting victims. The report would be presented to the committee when completed.

At the request of Members, details were given of the training that was being provided. Officers confirmed that this issue was being addressed by the JCG and that a more consistent approach was now being taken. Officers also explained the ways in which victims were encouraged to put forward their views on their experiences as a victim of such crime. This information was being used to improve service delivery.

Members also sought assurances from officers about the support that was in place for children who were subject to, or were witness to, incidents of domestic abuse, and the mechanism by which schools were made aware of such incidents.

(ii) Drug related crime

Members questioned officers as to whether more could be done to tackle the issue of substance misuse, particularly in respect of young people. Concerns were expressed that data was not available to identify the scale of the problem in terms of the accessibility of drugs. There were also concerns at the difficulty in identifying children and young people who were at risk of engaging in substance misuse, particularly if they were not already engaged with the agencies. Officers explained the multi-agency approach that was being taken, including the involvement of public health and the work that was taking place in schools. Tackling Substance Misuse had been included as a priority in the draft Community Safety Plan, as had Tackling Serious Organised Crime, which included drug related criminal activity. In response to questions about support that was available at ward level, it was suggested that consideration could be given to using ward funding to support particular

initiatives and that applications could also be made to access funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner for local projects.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

Reason: To update the committee on domestic abuse and drug related crime.

The Executive Leader (incorporating Housing and Safer Neighbourhoods) was thanked for his attendance at the meeting.

41. Ward Funding Scrutiny Review - Draft Final Report

Members gave consideration to the draft final report of the Ward Funding Scrutiny Review. The Chair of the Task Group went through the main findings and drew Members' attention to the draft review recommendations, as detailed in paragraphs 32 and 33 of the report.

Members expressed their support for the recommendations contained within the report and agreed that they would wish to the committee to receive an update on their implementation six months after the report had been considered by the Executive.

The Chair thanked the Task Group members and the officers who had supported the review for the work they had carried out.

Resolved: (i) That the report and its recommendations be approved.

(ii) That an update of the implementation of the task group recommendations be reported to the committee in six months time.

Reasons: (i) To conclude the review in line with scrutiny procedures and protocols, and to enable the review final report to be presented to a future meeting of the Executive in March 2017.

(ii) To enable the committee to monitor the implementation of the recommendations.

42. Work Plan 2016/17

Consideration was given to the committee's work plan for the municipal year 2016/17.

Resolved: That the committee's work plan for 2016/17 be approved subject to the following additions:

- Further consideration of Community Safety Plan and action plans (March 2017)
- Consideration of Joint Co-ordinating Group (JCG) Annual Report (May 2017)

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

Councillor Gunnell, Chair

[The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 7.25 pm].

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Communities and Environment Policy & Scrutiny Committee

15 March 2017

Report of the Corporate Directors of Economy & Place, Health, Housing & Adult Social Care, Customer & Corporate Services and Children, Education & Communities

2016/17 Finance and Performance Monitor 3 Report

Summary

1. This report provides details of the 2016/17 forecast outturn position for both finance and performance across services within this scrutiny committee's remit.

Analysis

Finance – General Fund

2. A summary of the Service Plan variations which relate to services within this scrutiny are shown below:

	Budget £'000	Projected Outturn £'000	Variance £'000
Economy & Place			
Waste	8,861	9,039	+178
Public Realm	2,681	2,766	+85
Public Protection	1,004	999	-5
Licensing	-341	-335	6
Housing, Health & Adult Social Care			
Housing General Fund	1,914	2,044	+130
Community Safety	644	673	+29
Customers & Corporate Services			
Bereavement Services	-1,388	-1,455	-67
Registrars	-258	-258	0
Children, Education & Communities			
Community Centres	71	71	0
Communities and Equalities	1,285	1,285	0

Note: '+' indicates an increase in expenditure or shortfall in income
'-' indicates a reduction in expenditure or increase in income

3. Details of the main variations by service plan are detailed in the following paragraphs.

Economy and Place - Waste (+£178k)

4. The overall Waste Services budget is forecasting an overspend of £178k however there are a large number of variances across the service. In waste collection the main variations, totalling £450k, are additional staffing and transport costs. New rounds have been agreed to be implemented from April 2017 which will significantly reduce this overspend in future years. There are also shortfalls in income at HWRCs from trade waste/customer charges (£164k) and from green waste subscriptions (£56k) and additional cost from co-mingled recyclates of £165k. The position has been mitigated this year due to significantly higher than budgeted income from our recycling rebate (£374k), additional income for landfill gas (£70k) and a saving from Waste procurement costs and Yorwaste Loans Interest (£145k).

Economy and Place - Public Realm (+£85k)

5. There have been delays in finalising redundancies across public realm which has led to a forecast overspend of £85k.

Health, Housing and Adult Social Care – Housing & Community Safety (+£159k)

6. Overall there is a projected overspend of £159k. The majority of this is an overspend in relation to legal fees within Housing. This relates to a long-standing legal dispute between the council and a housing developer regarding the obligation to pay a commuted sum in lieu of on site affordable housing. There is also a projected overspend on repairs and maintenance at travellers sites.

Customer and Corporate Services – Bereavement (-£67k)

7. There is a forecast increase in income from the crematorium.

Health, Housing and Adult Social Care - Housing Revenue Account

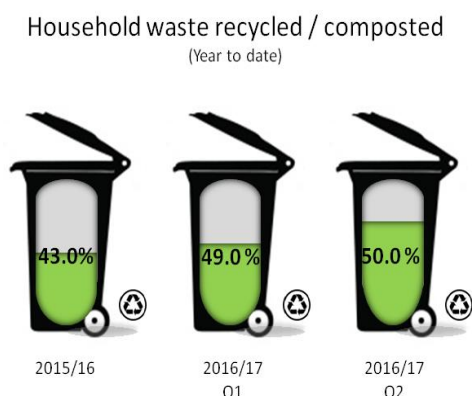
8. The Housing Revenue Account is budgeted to make an in year surplus of £3m. A review of the budgets in the area shows that, overall, a slight reduction of £127k in the overall surplus is forecast. Repairs and maintenance is forecast to overspend by £660k. There has been an initial increase in the productivity of the workforce following the introduction of mobile working and improvements in management controls. The service anticipates being able to use this increased capacity to pick up some of the work currently allocated to subcontractors. This reduction in subcontractor expenditure has yet to come through, the service remains confident that reductions will be made but that the full year saving will not be achieved in this financial year. Therefore the forecast expenditure has been increased by £660k to take this into account.
9. Underspends totalling £96k are anticipated on utilities and repairs in temporary accommodation budgets. Delays in the capital IT and Water Mains programmes will mean that the expected contribution to the capital programme from the revenue budget will be reduced by £436k. In addition, leaseholder charges are forecast to be £63k higher than budget. Dwelling rents are expected to underspend by £215k. The original budget did not reflect the 0.9% rent increase for supported housing as this exemption from the 1% decrease had not been announced at the time of budget setting. In addition, delays to the implementation of the high value sales policy are likely to lead to a small increase in rents recovered.
10. The working balance position at 31 March 2016 was £18.4m. This was higher than forecast in the latest business plan (£16.6m) due to the underspend achieved in 2015/16.
11. The projected outturn position outlined in paragraph 8 means the working balance will increase to £21.5m at 31 March 2017. This compares to the balance forecast within the latest business plan of £20.2m.
12. Detailed information and regulations are still awaited regarding forthcoming changes to HRA legislation including the sale of high value properties. While the full extent of the impact of these changes is not yet known, the HRA will be required to make significant efficiencies in order to mitigate the reduction in income

without reducing the HRA balance below prudent and sustainable levels.

Performance

13. The 2016/17 scorecard for Communities and Environment is attached at Annex 1. Other key performance information is included in the following paragraphs.

14. The amount of landfill waste, in Q2, increased slightly to 23,890 tonnes (from 23,864 in Q2 2015/16) and the residual waste per household remained constant at 279kg per household (279kg in Q2 2015/16). The recycling rate within the city, in Q2, of 50% is the same as in Q2 2015/16 and higher than at year end but this is, seasonally higher in the first half of the year. 52% of the respondents to the latest Talkabout survey think that the Council and partners are doing well helping to reduce amount of household waste.



15. A report proposing to improve the efficiency of York's household waste collection service was approved on 9th January by the Executive Member for Environment. The proposals include a saving of around £400k, reducing the amount of waste going to landfill and enabling the roll out of recycling collections to rural areas of the city that don't currently have them. There will be a change to the day of collection for around a third of all properties in the city. Rubbish (grey bin/black bags) and garden waste (green bin) collections are not affected.
16. For the fourth year running, the British Heart Foundation (BHF) shops teamed up with University of York, York St John's University and the Council to encourage students to responsibly dispose of unwanted items by recycling them or by donating them to the charity. Between October 2015 to September 2016, 7,380 bags were donated which may have raised over £100,000 towards the fight against heart disease.
17. Up to the end of Q3, there have been 1,743 alcohol related ASB incidents which is a significant reduction on the 1,838 reported during the same period in 2015/16. There have been 7,009 NYP

recorded ASB Calls for Service up to December which is in line with the number recorded during the same period in 2015/16. Multi-agency work to tackle alcohol-related violence and disorder in the city centre continues through Operation Erase and AVANTE Task Groups. A new multi-agency group, focussing on Street ASB (begging, street drinking, rough sleeping, nuisance traders and buskers) has recently been established. This has led to the launch of a new campaign #NoNeedToBegYork , encouraging members of the public to give to local charities rather than to those on the street through a 'text to give' facility. The Neighbourhood Enforcement team continue to work in partnership with North Yorkshire Police and the BID Rangers to ensure there is a frontline response to the above issues on a day to day basis in addition to other forms of enviro-crime such as litter, graffiti and fly-posting.

Implications

18. There are no financial, human resources, equalities, legal, crime & disorder, information technology, property or other implications associated with this report.

Risk Management

19. The report provides members with updates on finance and service performance and therefore there are no significant risks in the content of the report.

Recommendations

20. As this report is for information only, there are no recommendations.

Reason: To update the scrutiny committee of the latest finance and performance position.

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Report
Approved ✓

Date: 6 March 2017

Annexes

Annex A – Performance Scorecard

			Previous Years			2016/2017					Polarity	DoT		
			2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Target				
Building Works	<u>BW05</u>	Gas safety – % of properties having valid Gas Safe registered gas certificates - (Snapshot)	Monthly	98.79%	99.71%	99.65%	99.92%	99.87%	99.99%	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	
	<u>BW19</u>	% of Urgent Repairs completed within Government Timescales	Monthly	97.70%	94.73%	96.21%	95.81%	96.34%	95.77%	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	
	<u>BW20</u>	% of Urgent Gas Repairs completed within Government Timescales	Monthly	96.17%	89.71%	95.52%	98.38%	97.88%	97.31%	-	-	Up is Good	◀▶ Neutral	
Climate Change	<u>OPC00</u>	One Planet Council - All Resources - Total Cost (£)	Annual	-	5,496,059	(Avail 2017)	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral	
		One Planet Council - Energy - Total Cost (£)	Annual	-	3,694,403.97	(Avail 2017)	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral	
		One Planet Council - Water - Total Cost (£)	Annual	-	478,733.31	(Avail 2017)	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral	
		One Planet Council - Travel - Total Cost (£)	Annual	-	1,166,383.94	(Avail 2017)	-	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral
		One Planet Council - Waste - Total Cost (£)	Annual	-	156,537.78	(Avail 2017)	-	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral
Crime	<u>CSP01</u>	All Crime (IQUANTA data)	Monthly	11380	10807	12015	2880	3012	2688	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral	
	<u>CSP03</u>	Domestic burglary (incl. attempts)	Monthly	560	446	448	98	137	85	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral	
		IQUANTA Family Grouping (Rank out of 15)	Quarterly	7	7	6	6	6	6	-	-			
	<u>CSP11</u>	Theft or unauthorised taking of a cycle	Monthly	1010	782	1066	281	250	198	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral	
		IQUANTA Family Grouping (Rank out of 15)	Quarterly	15	15	15	15	15	15	-	-			
	<u>CSP12</u>	Criminal damage (excl. 59)	Monthly	1632	1389	1612	401	393	363	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral	
		IQUANTA Family Grouping (Rank out of 15)	Quarterly	9	6	10	11	11	9	-	-			
	<u>CSP15</u>	Overall Violence (Violence Against Person Def.)	Monthly	1938	2130	2513	567	640	646	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral	
IQUANTA Family Grouping (Rank out of 15)		Quarterly	6	6	6	4	4	4	-	-				
Crime - Anti Social	<u>CSP24</u>	Number of Alcohol related ASB incidents	Quarterly	2347	1852	1749	379	445	341	-	-	Up is Bad	▼ Green	
	<u>CSP28a</u>	Number of Incidents of ASB within the city centre ARZ	Quarterly	2301	2576	2305	619	624	500	-	-	Up is Bad	◀▶ Neutral	



Communities & Environment Policy & Scrutiny 2016/2017

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				Previous Years			2016/2017						
				2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Target	Polarity	DoT
			Collection Frequency										
Crime - Domestic Violence	<u>CSP51</u>	Number of Reports of Domestic Abuse Incidents reported to NYP	Monthly	2823	2745	2858	796	803	784	-	-	Up is Bad	▲ Red
Crime - Hate Crime	<u>CSP23</u>	Hate Crimes or Incidents as Recorded by NYP	Monthly	98	108	141	37	56	58	-	-	Up is Bad	▲ Red
		IQUANTA Family Grouping (Rank out of 15)	Quarterly	4	3	5	4	3	7	-	-		
Earnings	<u>CJGE170</u>	Housing affordability (house prices to earnings ratio)	Discontinued	6.80	7.66	-	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◄ Neutral
		Benchmark - National Data	Discontinued	6.20	6.51	-	-	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Discontinued	4.22	4.26	-	-	-	-	-	-		
		Regional Rank (Rank out of 15)	Discontinued	15	15	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Homelessness	<u>HOU259</u>	Households accepted as being homeless and in priority need - Relationship Breakdown Violent - (YTD)	Quarterly	16	17	17	6	9	15	-	-	Up is Bad	▲ Red
		Benchmark - National Data	Quarterly	6,130	6,530	6570	1850	3600	-	-	-		
	<u>HOU268</u>	Households accepted as being homeless and in priority need - Relationship Breakdown Violent	Quarterly	16	17	17	6	3	6	-	-	Up is Bad	▲ Red
		Households accepted as being homeless and in priority need - % Relationship Breakdown Violent - (YTD)	Quarterly	14.70%	16.50%	18.70%	21.4%	17.0%	18.5%	-	-	Neutral	◄ Neutral
		Benchmark - National Data	Quarterly	11.73%	12.27%	11.40%	12.20%	11.96%	-	-	-		
		Households accepted as being homeless and in priority need - % Relationship Breakdown Violent	Quarterly	14.70%	16.50%	18.70%	21.4%	12.0%	21.4%	-	-	Neutral	◄ Neutral
<u>HOU281</u>	Households accepted as being homeless and in priority need - % Domestic Violence - (YTD)	Quarterly	3.70%	9.40%	12.50%	14.3%	24.0%	12.3%	-	-	Neutral	◄ Neutral	
	Benchmark - National Data	Quarterly	2.83%	2.82%	2.41%	2.31%	2.26%	-	-	-			
	Households accepted as being homeless and in priority need - Domestic Violence	Quarterly	4	3	2	4	2	4	-	-	Neutral	◄ Neutral	

			Previous Years			2016/2017					Polarity	DoT	
			2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Target			
		Collection Frequency											
Housing	<u>HOU107</u>	Number of active applicants on North Yorkshire Home Choice who are registered with CYC (Waiting List) - (Snapshot)	Quarterly	2306	1545	1612	1746	1653	1540	-	-	Up is Bad	◄ Neutral
	<u>CAN061</u>	Number of new affordable homes delivered in York	Quarterly	50	136	109	25	3	-	-	-	Up is Good	◄ Neutral
	<u>CAN200</u>	Number of council homes let by direct exchange - (YTD)	Monthly	247	153	138	36	73	113	-	-	Up is Good	◄ Neutral
	<u>CJGE178</u>	Private rents (Average) - All (£)	Annual	738	841	840	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◄ Neutral
		Benchmark - National Data	Annual	720	788	820	-	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Annual	535	557	556	-	-	-	-	-		
		Regional Rank (Rank out of 15)	Annual	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-		
<u>HOU210</u>	Bring empty private sector properties back into use	Annual	103	106	60	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	▼ Red	
Housing Debt and	<u>HOU108</u>	Current council tenant arrears as % of annual rent due - (Snapshot)	Quarterly	1.32%	1.62%	1.62%	1.91%	2.13%	2.21%	-	-	Up is Bad	▲ Red
	<u>HOU109</u>	% of rent collected (including current arrears brought forward) - (Snapshot)	Quarterly	98.04%	97.84%	97.62%	92.38%	95.31%	96.47%	-	-	Up is Good	▼ Red
Housing Voids	<u>HOU215</u>	Rent lost through voids - (Snapshot)	Quarterly	0.69%	0.75%	0.78%	0.20%	0.37%	0.54%	-	-	Up is Bad	◄ Neutral
	<u>HOU245</u>	Average number of days to re-let empty properties (overall) - (YTD)	Monthly	21.49	25.62	20.7	20.4	19	18.3	-	-	Up is Bad	▼ Green
Public Protection	<u>PP01</u>	% of businesses reporting that contact with officers was helpful	Annual	97.27%	97.28%	98%	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	▲ Green
	<u>PP02</u>	% of businesses reporting that they were treated fairly	Annual	99.09%	98.56%	95.50%	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	▼ Red
	<u>PP03</u>	% of businesses reporting that the information provided was useful	Annual	97.27%	98.14%	98.10%	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◄ Neutral
	<u>PP04</u>	% of customers who were satisfied with the action taken to resolve their complaint	Quarterly	97.27%	95.57%	79.10%	88.50%	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◄ Neutral
	<u>PP06</u>	% of food premises that are classified as broadly compliant	Quarterly	93%	93%	94%	94%	94%	94%	-	-	Up is Good	◄ Neutral
	<u>PP07</u>	% of businesses that were compliant with legislation concerning the illegal use and sale of alcohol and tobacco	Annual	75%	100%	63.20%	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	▼ Red
	<u>PP08</u>	% of births registered within 42 days	Monthly	99%	98%	98%	96%	98%	98%	-	-	Up is Good	◄ Neutral
		Benchmark - National Data	Monthly	-	-	97%	96%	95%	96%	-	-		
Benchmark - Regional Data		Monthly	-	-	98%	98%	97%	99%	-	-			

			Previous Years			2016/2017					Polarity	DoT		
		Collection Frequency	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Target				
Public Realm	PP09	% of still births registered within 42 days	Monthly	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	N/A	-	-	Up is Good	◄	
		Benchmark - National Data	Monthly	-	-	99%	99%	98%	99%	-	-			
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Monthly	-	-	99%	100%	96%	98%	-	-			
	PP10	% of deaths registered within 5 days	Monthly	93%	93%	90%	77%	95%	86%	-	-	Up is Good	◄	
		Benchmark - National Data	Monthly	-	-	76%	76%	81%	82%	-	-			
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Monthly	-	-	85%	86%	89%	87%	-	-			
	PP11	% certificate applications dealt with within 5 days of receipt	Monthly	100%	100%	NC	100%	-	-	-	-	Up is Good	◄	
	Public Realm	CSPEC1	Calls for Service - Flytipping - Rubbish	Monthly	1841	1358	1711	522	639	510	-	-	Up is Bad	▲
		CSPEC2	Calls for Service - Litter	Discontinued	NC	NC	NC	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◄
CSPEC4		Calls for Service - Vegetation (includes weeds and overgrown hedges)	Monthly	1126	931	1113	428	699	364	-	-	Up is Bad	▲	
CSPEC5		Calls for Service - Cleansing (includes dog fouling, litter and all other cleansing cases)	Monthly	2225	1729	1834	496	467	468	-	-	Up is Bad	▲	
CSPEC6		Calls for Service - Graffiti	Monthly	178	158	271	76	119	71	-	-	Up is Bad	▲	
Resident and Corporate Surveys	TAP29	% of panel who think that the council and partners are doing well at reducing air pollution	Quarterly	27.00% (BYS)	NC	NC	30.70%	NC	29.78%	NC	-	Up is Good	◄	
		% of panel who think that the council and partners are not doing well at reducing air pollution	Quarterly	29.00% (BYS)	NC	NC	39.20%	NC	38.83%	NC	-	Up is Bad	▲	
	TAP33	% of panel who think that the council and partners are doing well helping to reduce amount of household waste	Quarterly	48.00% (BYS)	NC	NC	51.70%	NC	51.51%	NC	-	Up is Good	◄	
		% of panel who think that the council and partners are not doing well helping to reduce amount of household waste	Quarterly	37.00% (BYS)	NC	NC	41.10%	NC	39.84%	NC	-	Up is Bad	▲	
	TAP34	% of panel who think that the council and partners are doing well helping to reduce carbon footprint	Quarterly	28.00% (BYS)	NC	NC	25.60%	NC	27.68%	NC	-	Up is Good	▼	
		% of panel who think that the council and partners are not doing well helping to reduce carbon footprint	Quarterly	36.00% (BYS)	NC	NC	45.10%	NC	46.06%	NC	-	Up is Bad	▲	
	TAP35	% of panel who think that the council and partners are doing well encouraging the use of low emission vehicles	Quarterly	12.00% (BYS)	NC	NC	14.30%	NC	16.67%	NC	-	Up is Good	▲	
		% of panel who think that the council and partners are not doing well encouraging the use of low emission vehicles	Quarterly	45.00% (BYS)	NC	NC	51.70%	NC	52.01%	NC	-	Up is Bad	▲	
		Residual household waste (kg per HH) - (YTD)	Quarterly	559kg	598.3kg	574.7kg	141kg	279kg	-	-	-	Up is Bad	▼	

			Previous Years			2016/2017					Polarity	DoT	
			2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Target			
Waste	CES35	Benchmark - National Data	Annual	555kg	558kg	564kg	-	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Annual	534kg	543kg	559kg	-	-	-	-	-		
		Regional Rank (Rank out of 15)	Annual	9	10	10	-	-	-	-	-		
	CES36	Household waste recycled / composted - (YTD)	Quarterly	43.63%	42.50%	42.80%	49%	50%	-	-	-	Up is Good	▲ Green
		Benchmark - National Data	Annual	43.45%	43.70%	43.00%	-	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Annual	43.85%	43.60%	42.20%	-	-	-	-	-		
		Regional Rank (Rank out of 15)	Annual	9	7	8	-	-	-	-	-		
	CES37	Municipal waste landfilled - (YTD)	Quarterly	55.83%	57.40%	59.30%	51%	52%	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◄ Neutral
		Benchmark - National Data	Annual	30.93%	24.60%	19.80%	-	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Annual	34.71%	30.00%	21.80%	-	-	-	-	-		
		Regional Rank (Rank out of 15)	Annual	13	14	15	-	-	-	-	-		
	CES38	Total tonnes of municipal waste collected (household, commercial, prescribed and inert waste) - (YTD)	Quarterly	93,830	93,430	96,949	26,450	52,150	-	-	-	Neutral	◄ Neutral
	CES39	Tonnes of Landfilled waste - Household (excluding liquid waste) - (YTD)	Quarterly	46,850	46,740	48,428	12,030	23,890	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◄ Neutral
	CES40	Tonnes of Landfilled waste - Commercial collection rounds - (YTD)	Quarterly	5,620	5,630	5,009	1,250	2,450	-	-	-	Up is Bad	▼ Green
	CES41	Tonnes of Landfilled waste - Combined (excluding liquid waste)	Quarterly	52,470	52,370	54,384	13,490	26,770	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◄ Neutral
CES42	Cost of landfill tax - Household (excluding liquid waste) - (YTD)	Quarterly	£3,373,200	£3,739,200	£4,000,152	£1,015,332	£2,016,316	-	-	-	Up is Bad	▲ Red	
CES43	Cost of landfill tax - Commercial collection rounds - (YTD)	Quarterly	£404,640	£450,400	£413,743	£105,500	£206,780	-	-	-	Up is Bad	▼ Green	
CES44	Cost of landfill tax - Combined (excluding liquid waste) - (YTD)	Quarterly	£3,777,840	£4,189,600	£4,992,118	£1,120,832	£2,223,096	-	-	-	Up is Bad	◄ Neutral	
CES45	% of properties offered 2 kerbside recycle collections - (YTD)	Quarterly	98.80%	99%	99%	100%	100%	-	-	-	Up is Good	◄ Neutral	
Youth Offending	PHOF23	First time entrants to the youth justice system (per 100,000 population aged 10-17)	Annual	432.43	413.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	Up is Bad	▼ Green
		Benchmark - National Data	Annual	447.81	409.06	-	-	-	-	-	-		
		Benchmark - Regional Data	Annual	465.26	473.02	-	-	-	-	-	-		
		Regional Rank (Rank out of 15)	Annual	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-		

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Communities and Environment Policy & Scrutiny Committee

15 March 2017

Report of the Corporate Director - Economy and Place

Flood Risk in York – the York 5 Year Plan Update

Summary

1. Government have made funding available to improve the Foss Barrier and other flood defence assets in the city. The Environment Agency (EA) is leading on the development of a 5 year flood plan for York. City of York Council are working closely with the EA on the development of this plan.
2. An update to the plan is given at Annex 1 and a further presentation will be made at the meeting. Feedback and guidance is sought from Members on the progress of the plan to date and the way in which the plan should be developed through its next stages.

Background

3. The flooding in late December 2015 followed an intense period of rainfall across November and December, due to the impact of Storms Desmond and Eva. Record river levels were observed in many river catchments across the north of England. More than 4000 homes and 2000 businesses flooded across Yorkshire with 453 properties and 174 businesses flooded in York.
4. A range of reviews and recovery programmes have been initiated by all relevant authorities and these have helped shape the development of the York 5 year flood plan and the delivery of Government funding that has been secured since the floods.

Consultation

5. The latest quarterly newsletter relating to the flood risk improvements in the city is provided at Annex 1, giving details of the consultation events that were held in late 2016. This Scrutiny Committee was previously consulted at its September 2016 meeting and future updates can be provided at the Committee's request.

Options and Analysis

6. This report is for information only, but the Committee may choose to comment on the work undertaken to date and the planned work detailed in Annex 1.

Council Plan

7. Improved provision of flood defences supports a prosperous city for all through safer communities for residents, businesses and visitors. A wide range of consultation events will ensure this is in line with the needs and expectations of local communities.

Implications

8. Financial - Funding is allocated directly to the EA; the £60M funding is available to be directed towards key flood risk projects in the City in the short term. The extent of required works will likely require wider funding and Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA) funding bids will be developed. There are likely to be contribution requirements as part of this wider work. This will be developed further and consulted upon later in 2017.
9. There are no human resources, equalities, legal, crime & disorder, information technology, property or other implications associated with this report.

Recommendations

10. That the report be noted.

Reason: This report is for information only as there are no recommendations associated with the update provided at Annex 1 to this report.

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Annexes:

Annex 1- EA York Spring 2017 Newsletter

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Keeping you informed

Working to reduce the risk of flooding in York

February 2017

This is the first in a new series of quarterly newsletters to keep you updated about the work that the Environment Agency is doing to reduce flood risk in York. With so much work going on, we want to keep you updated on progress and let you know how you can get involved.

November Public Exhibition

We were overwhelmed by the public response to our public exhibition on 25-26



Residents viewing the exhibition

November. During the 2 day event, over 400 residents came to find out about our work in York. We were really encouraged to see so many people keen to discuss our plans for the next 5 years, and give us their feedback.

Feedback from those who visited the exhibition was overall very positive, with residents happy to see the progress made at the Foss Barrier, and with the publication of the 5 Year Plan.

We received lots of questions over the weekend, and since the exhibition to our new email address. We've provided brief answers to the most frequently asked questions below, for the benefit of those who couldn't attend the exhibition:

- **What is the flood risk in York?**

There are approximately 7197 properties at risk of flooding in York. These are a mixture of residential and business properties. 3680 are at risk of flooding from the River Ouse, with 3517 at risk from the River Foss and other becks.

- **How much is the EA investing in improving York's defences?**

We secured an additional £45 million from government following the December 2015 floods to better protect 2,000 properties in York over the next 5 years. We were already planning to invest £15 million during this period, bringing the budget for works to £60 million. The £17 million for Foss Barrier upgrades is also additional to this.

- **Why aren't you looking at the Ouse catchment as a whole and coming up with strategic options treating the cause rather than treating the symptoms?**

We are also looking at the longer term options for the Ouse catchment. We will be consulting on these in the spring of 2017. These include long term options for managing the flow upstream on the

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0800 80 70 60

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Swale, Ure and Nidd which will also benefit all the communities on these rivers and the Ouse. The will focus on natural flood management measures where possible.



Example of a woody debris dam

- **Will the measures outlined stop flooding in York?**

Flood risk can be reduced but we can't totally eliminate the risk of flooding. December 2015 was the wettest December on record, but also the wettest calendar month since records began in 1910. The growing threat from more extreme weather events means we must always be as prepared and as resilient as possible.

- **Will the proposed defences make communities downstream flood more?**

We carry out thorough assessments during the design stage of a flood alleviation scheme to ensure that flood schemes are not protecting one community at the expense of another.

- **When will new schemes start to be built?**

We will be carrying out investigation and design work this year. We are

planning to commence construction work at some sites in spring 2018.

Foss Barrier Upgrade



New pump at Foss Barrier

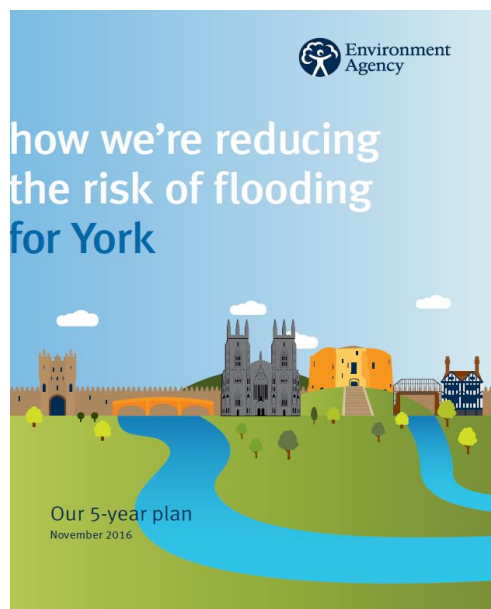
Since December 2015, we have committed to spend £17 million improving the Foss Barrier. We have installed 8 new pumps, with a pumping capacity of approximately 40 cubic metres per second (equivalent to the flow down the Foss on Boxing Day 2015). We are now progressing with the permanent works, including adding an additional storey to the building to house sensitive equipment. These works will improve the power supply to the pumps, increasing the pumping capacity to 50 cubic metres per second by winter 2017.



Artists impression of upgraded Foss Barrier

The Foss Barrier is fully operational and has been used 5 times so far since the winter 2015 floods to protect York. Most recently on 22-23 November 2016.

York 5 Year Plan



The public exhibition in November provided the perfect opportunity to share our 5 Year Plan for York, showing how we could invest the £45 million secured from government to better protect York. Since November we have been busy undertaking more detailed assessments of the options proposed in the plan. It's clear from these assessments, and feedback from local residents, that some schemes will be easier to implement, and some are unlikely to progress further. We are continuously refining these options and hope to begin community-level engagement on the first schemes later this year.

The York 5 Year Plan can be viewed online by clicking [here](#), or contact us directly if you would prefer a paper copy.

One of the most frequent questions that we have been asked is when construction will begin? We understand that residents would like to see work taking place as soon as possible. However, the majority of the work needed to ensure new defences function well takes place long before construction, and is very time consuming. We thought it may be helpful

to give an outline the process here, to give a better understanding of the timescales.

- Autumn 2016**
 We published the 5 Year Plan outlining what could be done to protect York. Taking feedback from the exhibition we began refining the options.
- Winter 2016**
 We have been busy refining the list of options and assessing which should be taken forward first. We would like to prioritise schemes in areas which are currently undefended, and then move on to upgrading existing defences as work progresses. We will discuss this approach with councillors in March to get their views.
- Spring 2017**
 We will appoint contractors and begin community consultation, outline design and investigation work for the first potential schemes.
- Summer/Autumn 2017**
 We need to do extensive ground investigation work to ensure that ground conditions are suitable for building defences, and check for constraints such as archaeology and utilities which may impact how we design schemes. This work is heavily weather dependent and needs to be carried out over summer.
- Winter 2017**
 In consultation with the community, we will design schemes following the findings of the investigation work over the summer.

- **Spring 2018**

We aim to begin construction on the first schemes, and we will go through design and investigation work for the next round of schemes.

York Independent Inquiry

Following the floods of December 2015, City of York Council commissioned an independent investigation into the floods, to determine whether the right decisions were taken, and what changes could be made to make the city more resilient.

The final report has just been published and can be found [here](#).

There are a number of conclusions and recommendations from the investigation which are relevant to the Environment Agency. Some of the points raised are:

- The decision to raise the Foss Barrier was the right one, and reduced the number of properties that flooded.
- There was a lack of awareness amongst the local community about flood warnings around the Foss and what action was needed.
- Improvements could be made to communication between agencies during a flood, and also with residents.

We welcome the panel's report and are considering its recommendations in detail. We are always keen to learn lessons from what happened and will look at where improvements can be made. A great deal has been achieved over the past 12 months, including works to the barrier and improvements to our modelling and flood warning service. We

look forward to working in partnership with City of York Council York to reduce flood risk.

Community Events



Residents and EA staff discussing proposals on Hob Moor

Since the exhibition we have been in contact with many residents keen to know more about how options in the 5 Year Plan may affect them. In most areas residents are in favour of improved defences, but some communities have raised concerns. We have been clear that the 5 Year Plan provided outline options, but we will not pursue schemes where the community is not supportive of this.

Drop-In Centre

In the next 3 months we are hoping to open a dedicated community drop-in centre in the city. This is an exciting development and we will keep you updated as this progresses.

Getting in touch

We'd love to know what you think of our newsletter. If you have any comments, or suggestions for future editions, please let us know at

yorkfloodplan@environment-agency.gov.uk



**Communities and Environment Policy &
Scrutiny Committee****15 March 2017**

Report of the Assistant Director - Legal & Governance

**Update on Implementation of Recommendations from Previously
Completed Goose Management Scrutiny Review****Summary**

1. This report provides the committee with their first formal update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the previously completed Goose Management scrutiny review, and asks Members to sign off any recommendations now considered to be either fully implemented or no longer appropriate.

Background

2. At a meeting in September 2015, the Communities and Environment Policy & Scrutiny Committee agreed to proceed with a scrutiny review of Geese Management across the city following submission of an associated scrutiny topic by Cllr Kramm.
3. A Task Group made up of Cllrs Kramm, Gunnell and Richardson was set up and tasked with identifying a suitable review remit and carrying out the review. The Task Group met for the first time in early December 2015 and the following remit was agreed:

Aim:

To improve the experience of residents and visitors to public parks, gardens and open spaces by examining the geese (and other water fowl) related problems affecting Rowntree Park, the University and other sites.

(NB: All references thereafter to Geese, relate to both Geese and other water fowl).

Objectives:

- i. To understand previous examinations of the geese related problems in York, lessons learnt, cost to the city, associated health risks etc.
 - ii. To examine best practice nationally and elsewhere.
 - iii. To consider technical options for dropping removal, the associated costs and external funding possibilities.
 - iv. Consult all interested parties on geese population management and control practices, to understand the requirements for different species and animal protection issues.
 - v. Identify appropriate solutions and options for funding
6. The review was completed in March 2016 and the review final report containing the recommendations arising from the review (see Column 1 of Annex A) was presented to the Executive in June 2016.
 7. In April 2016, the review final report was presented to the Executive, who raised concerns regarding the resourcing and officer time required to produce and implement an integrated goose management strategy. As a result they chose not to approve the recommendations as presented. Instead they referred the review recommendations back to this Policy & Scrutiny Committee with a request that they be reconsidered in line with budget constraints, and redrafted for further consideration by the Executive Member for Culture, Leisure & Tourism.
 8. In May 2016 this Committee considered the Executive's request but agreed that the original recommendations as presented to the Executive, were the most appropriate to properly address the needs of the city in relation to goose management.
 9. In June 2016 the review final report was re-presented to the Executive Member together with some additional information to support him in his re-consideration of the review recommendations (see Column 2 of Annex A)
 10. Finally in September 2016 this Committee received an informal implementation update via email from the Operations Manager (see Column 3 of Annex A).

11. As a year has past since the review was completed, the Operations Manager has now provided the first formal update for this Committee's consideration – see Column 4 of Annex A, and will be in attendance at this meeting to answer any questions arising.

Options

12. In light of the update information provided, Members may choose to:
 - a. Sign off any recommendations which have been fully implemented.
 - b. Request a further update on any recommendations outstanding, and the attendance of the relevant officer at a future scrutiny meeting in six months time.
 - c. Agree some or all of the recommendations are unlikely to ever be implemented and therefore sign them off as no longer appropriate.

Council Plan 2011-15

13. The Goose Management Scrutiny Review supported the Council's priority to encourage 'A Prosperous City for All' where everyone who lives in the city and visitors can enjoy its unique heritage and range of activities, and to 'Protect the Environment'.

Implications & Risk Management

14. There are no known implications or risks associated with the recommendations made in this report.

Recommendations

15. Members are recommended to:
 - i. Note the implementation update information detailed in Annex A
 - ii. Sign off any recommendations that have been fully implemented.
 - iii. Sign off any recommendations deemed no longer appropriate.Reason: To raise awareness of those recommendations which are still to be fully implemented.

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Background Papers: None

Annexes:

Annex A – Update on Goose Management Review Recommendations

Implementation Update of Approved Recommendations from Goose Management Scrutiny Review

Recommendations as presented to Cabinet in April 2016	Update Information presented to Executive Member for Leisure, Culture & Tourism in June 2016	Update Information provided by Operations Manager (Strategy & Contracts) in September 2016	Implementation Update as of March 2017
<p>i) Officers to carry out a number of trials to test the effectiveness of various measures i.e.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A licensed chemical (if sourced) • A droppings collection machine • Ultrasound audio • Amend the fencing at War Memorial Gardens • Expand and refresh signage in public parks and open spaces 	<p>The Public Realm Operations Manager (Strategy & Contracts) confirmed that it would be possible to carry out all of the proposed trials to test the effectiveness of various measures without the need of additional resources.</p>	<p><u>Rowntree Park</u> Goose dropping collection machine successfully tested in August 2016. Public Realm can buy the machine but need ward funds to pay for its day to day operation. The cost is estimated to be about £6k per year based on using it Easter through to October ½ term for about 2 hours a day. Ward funding would be required for this. The Friends want one of the garden areas fenced to keep out the birds. The cost would be £4.5k. The Friends have offered around £500 towards this and ward funding would be required for the balance. New “don’t feed the geese” stencil signs are ready to be installed on lake side paths.</p>	<p><u>Rowntree Park</u> To date, the Operations Manager has been unable to attend a Micklegate Ward team meeting but has tried on a number of occasions to arrange a meeting during office hours with ward Cllrs to discuss Rowntree Park issues and the funding of the survey (see recommendation ii), without success. Most recently, it has been agreed that the Operations manager will attend a ward team meeting scheduled for 5th April 2017. In the meantime, the officer has attended two meetings of the Friends of Rowntree Park over the last six months to keep them informed of developments.</p>

		<p><u>War Memorial Gardens</u> A gate was installed against the river side and some missing fence replaced to restrict access to the geese. Needs signs to explain this as it keeps being left open. As a temporary measure the flower beds are to be turfed over so the Gardens are tidy for November 11th. Over the winter, new beds and fencing will be installed - funded by Public Realm as it is a city wide site.</p> <p><u>Foss Islands Nature Reserve</u> The intention is to 'disrupt' this nesting/roosting site by subdividing the area into smaller parcels of land and installing visual scarer's within each parcel of land. TCV are pricing this up at the moment.</p>	<p><u>War Memorial Gardens</u> Gate installed, geese still regularly seen in the Gardens. All bedding removed and turfed over. To be replanted with decorative evergreen plants this spring</p> <p><u>Foss Islands Nature Reserve</u> New fencing fitted in February to divide the site. Site visit by pest control company to test non lethal deterrents to take place in March 2017.</p> <p><u>General measures</u></p> <p><u>Ultra sound</u> - Discounted following site visits by two providers of the equipment in November because: a) limited range</p>
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			<p>b) audible discomfort to humans c) does not work in woody areas</p> <p><u>Laser & Birds of Prey</u> - Still to be tested – may work in a closed site e.g. school playing field or Rowntree Park over night. Ongoing cost to be resolved if these work</p> <p><u>Grass chemical</u> – Still being investigated but would require on going application and therefore funding</p>
<p>ii) To inform the current annual egg treatment works undertaken by the council and to inform a future integrated goose management strategy for the city, Executive to consider providing funding from the additional ward funding monies allocated for environmental projects, to enable a survey to be</p>	<p>The cost of carrying out a survey would have been £6k had that work been undertaken in early 2016. However that nesting period past, so it is likely there would be a slight increase in that cost should the work be undertaken during the 2017 nesting period which will fall within the 2017/18 financial year. The purpose of the survey</p>	<p>As the primary ward affected by geese, I have been trying to arrange a meeting with the Ward Councillors from Micklegate Ward in order to progress this and some of the other issues listed above.</p>	<p>As Micklegate, Guildhall, Heworth & Fishergate are the wards most affected by geese, and would benefit most from an expanded treatment programme, an email was sent on 16 Feb 2017 to those ward Cllrs asking them to confirm their interest in pursuing this course of action. A number of responses have been received but to date only</p>

<p>undertaken of the city's Canada & Greylag goose population, and to map nesting sites across the whole CYC administrative area.</p>	<p>would be to identify more nests than those currently treated, which if included in future annual egg treatment works would have a more positive impact on reducing goose numbers. The Council currently spends £900 per annum treating eggs in known nests on council land, and it would be possible to increase the programme within that existing budget. However, those wards who wish to participate in the expanded programme would need to fund the initial survey i.e. Micklegate, Heworth, Guildhall & Fishergate wards. This would be a legitimate use of their ward environmental budget. The Public Realm Operations Manager (Strategy & Contracts) would commission the work.</p>		<p>Micklegate ward Cllrs have expressed an interest in funding the survey work.</p>
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<p>iii) Officers to draft an integrated goose management strategy for the Executive’s consideration (taking account of the findings from the various trials and the survey), which identifies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A range of measures suitable for specific public spaces/parks • The costs and resource requirements associated with those measures • Appropriate funding options to include ward funding, capital budget etc. • A monitoring regime to assess the strategy’s effectiveness 	<p>As a result of the work undertaken on the review, a number of measures were identified that would improve the negative impact of geese on a number of specific sites across the city e.g. Rowntree Park, where a goose droppings collection machine was trialled and found to be fit for purpose. As it was accepted that it would not be possible to draft a citywide strategy without impacting on current staffing resources, it was suggested that the relevant ward Cllrs may wish to consider whether they want to implement any of the measures identified by the review within their wards and use their ward funding to enable the necessary works.</p>	<p><u>Recommendations (iii) – (v)</u> The first two recommendations will need implementing fully to enable the remainder of the recommendations to be implemented.</p>	
<p>iv) Permission to be sought from private land owners identified</p>	<p>Officers confirmed that complaints and requests on how to deal with geese</p>	<p>As above</p>	

<p>in ii) for access to treat eggs laid on their land</p>	<p>had been received from private landowners and businesses, where geese were both nesting and grazing. Therefore it is expected they would be receptive to a request from the Council to treat eggs in nests found on their land. However, the additional treatment work would only take place as a result of recommendation (ii) being implemented.</p>		
<p>v) The strategy's effectiveness to be monitored over several years, before consideration is given to whether a cull is required in support of the strategy.</p>	<p>As it was agreed that wards would implement their own measures in response to specific issues in their ward, it would be up to those wards to monitor the effectiveness of those measures.</p>	<p>As above</p>	

Agreed March 2017:

Communities & Environment Policy & Scrutiny Committee – Workplan 2016/17

Dates	Work Programme
29 June 2016 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attendance of the Exec Mbr for Environment – Update on Priorities & Challenges (confirmed) 2. Report on Riverside Improvements (Dave Meigh) 3. Scoping Report on Ward Funding & Commissioning Review (Mary Bailey/Charlie Croft) 4. Workplan 2016/17
18 July 2016 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attendance of Exec Mbr for Housing & Safer Neighbourhoods – Update on Priorities & Challenges (Cllr Carr) 2. CYC Year End Financial & Performance Monitoring Report (Patrick Looker) 3. SYP Bi-Annual Performance Report inc. Update on Drug Related Crime & Disorder (Jane Mowat) 4. Attendance of North Yorkshire Police (Deputy Commander Charlotte Bloxham - attendance confirmed) 5. Consultation on Draft Alcohol Strategy (Nick Sinclair) 6. Housing Allocations Policy Development Review Draft Final Report 7. Update Report on the Housing & Planning Bill (S Waddington) 8. Workplan 2016/17
21 Sept 2016 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presentation on Allerton Park Waste Recovery Treatment Centre (Ian Fielding NYCC) 2. CYC First Qtr Finance & Performance Monitoring Report (Patrick Looker) 3. CYC Flood Defences Action Plan (Steve Wragg & Environment Agency) 5. Workplan 2016/7
16 Nov 2016 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attendance of North Yorks Fire & Rescue Service (David Dryburgh) & Update on the Fire Authority 2. Update on the 2016 work of AVANTE & Operation Erase (Tanya Lyon) with Adam Thomson NYP (AVANTE Chair) in attendance 3. Update on 2013-16 Hate Crime Strategy (Paul Morrison) 4. Feedback on Environment Agency Consultation on Flood Action Plan (Steve Wragg) 5. Workplan 2016/7
25 Jan 2017 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update on Mixed Recycling & Waste Collection, including tangible timelines - Executive Mbr for Environment 2. CYC Second Qtr Finance & Performance Monitoring Report (Patrick Looker) 3. Update on Current Community Safety Plan & Hate Crime Strategy (Jane Mowat) - Leader in Attendance 4. SYP Bi-Annual Performance Report (Jane Mowat) 5. Report on Domestic Violence & Drug Related Crime & Disorder (Jane Mowat) 6. Ward Funding Scrutiny Review – Draft Final Report 7. Workplan 2016/7

15 March 2017 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CYC Third Qtr Finance & Performance Monitoring Report (Patrick Looker) 2. Update on CYC Flood Defences Strategy Consultation (Steve Wragg & Environment Agency) 3. Implementation Update – Goose Management Scrutiny Review 4. Workplan 2016/7
17 May 2017 @ 5:30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Six-monthly update report from North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service (David Dryburgh – invitation sent 16/02/17) 2. Draft Community Safety Plan (Jane Mowat) 3. Implementation Update – Housing Allocations Scrutiny Review 4. Draft Workplan 2017/18