



COUNCIL

Council Summons and Agenda

You are hereby summoned to attend an **Ordinary Meeting of Ryedale District Council** to be held in the **Council Chamber, Ryedale House, Malton on Thursday, 4 September 2014** at **6.30 pm** in the evening for the transaction of the following business:

Agenda

1 **Emergency Evacuation Procedure**

2 **Apologies for absence**

3 **Public Question Time**

4 **Minutes** (Pages 3 - 24)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 3 July 2014.

5 **Urgent Business**

To receive notice of any urgent business which the Chairman considers should be dealt with at the meeting as a matter of urgency by virtue of Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

6 **Declarations of Interest**

Members to indicate whether they will be declaring any interests under the Code of Conduct.

Members making a declaration of interest at a meeting of a Committee or Council are required to disclose the existence and nature of that interest. This requirement is not discharged by merely declaring a personal interest without further explanation.

7 **Announcements**

To receive any announcements from the Chairman, the Leader and/or the Head of Paid Service.

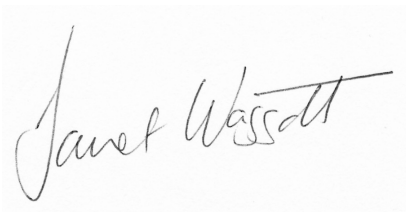
- 8 **To Receive any Questions submitted by Members Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 10.2 (Questions on Notice at Full Council)**
- 9 **To Receive a Statement from the Leader of the Council and to Receive Questions and Give Answers on that Statement**
- 10 **To consider for Approval the Recommendations in respect of the following Part 'B' Committee Items:** (Pages 25 - 44)
Planning Committee – 30 July 2014

Minute 44 – Ryedale Community Infrastructure Levy - Discretionary Relief and Payment Instalment Policies (page 25)

Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 31 July 2014

Minute 19 – Treasury Management Annual Report 2013/14 (page 33)
- 11 **Notices on Motion Submitted Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11 Proposed by Councillor Clark and seconded by Councillor Woodward**

In view of the tensions caused by strikes and the need for good Council/employee relations this Council resolves:
 - (i) To call upon the government to facilitate pay negotiations with the appropriate unions.
 - (ii) To call upon the LGA to re-open wage negotiations with the appropriate unions.
- 12 **Appointment of Representatives on Outside Organisations** (Pages 45 - 54)
- 13 **Appointment of Member Champions** (Pages 55 - 56)
- 14 **Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent.**



Janet Waggott
Chief Executive

Council

Minutes of Proceedings

At the **Ordinary Meeting of the District Council of Ryedale** held in the **Council Chamber, Ryedale House, Malton on Thursday 3 July 2014**

Present

Councillors Acomb
 J Andrews
 P J Andrews
 Arnold (Vice-Chairman)
 Bailey
 Mrs Burr MBE
 Clark
 Collinson
 Mrs Cowling
 Cussons
 Mrs Frank
 Fraser
 Mrs Goodrick
 Hawkins
 Hicks
 Hope
 Ives (Chairman)
 Mrs Keal
 Maud
 Raper
 Richardson
 Mrs Shields
 Wainwright
 Walker
 Ward
 Windress
 Woodward

In Attendance

Jill Baldwin
Simon Copley
Gary Housden
Peter Johnson
Phil Long
Julian Rudd
Bridget Skaife
Yvette Turnbull
Janet Waggott
Anthony Winship

Minutes

27 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Hopkinson, Legard and Mrs Sanderson.

28 **Public Question Time**

There were no public questions.

29 **Minutes**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 15 May 2014 were presented.

Resolved

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 15 May 2014 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

30 **Urgent Business**

There was one item of urgent business which the Chairman considered should be dealt with as a matter of urgency by virtue of Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended):

-To establish a Constitution Working Party.

The reason for urgency was the need to review constitutional procedures to ensure they reflected the move to paperless working.

31 **Declarations of Interest**

The following interests were declared:

Councillor Mrs Burr declared a personal non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in agenda item 10 (Delivering the Council's Priorities 2014-2018) as she delivered apprenticeships, owned properties and contributed to jobs in Ryedale.

Councillor Clark declared a personal non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in agenda item 11, minute 11 (Ryedale Folk Museum – Request for Investment) as a North Yorkshire County Councillor.

Councillor Mrs Frank declared a personal non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in agenda item 11, minute 11 (Ryedale Folk Museum – Request for Investment) as the ward Member and as she had spoken to staff.

Councillor Mrs Goodrick declared a personal non-pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in agenda item 10 (Delivering the Council's Priorities 2014-2018) as the Council's representative on CAB.

32 **Announcements**

The Chief Executive made the following announcements:

- That strike action would be taking place on 10 July 2014 and that Members would be kept informed of any implications;
- That all electors would be receiving a form or letter in late July 2014, detailing what they need to do for the transition to Individual Electoral Registration.

33 **To Receive any Questions submitted by Members Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 10.2 (Questions on Notice at Full Council)**

1. Councillor Clark submitted the following question:

To Councillor Mrs Cowling, the Chairman of the Policy & Resources Committee:

“In 2008 Ryedale District Council gave £250,000 to Ryedale Folk Museum. As a result predictions were made for 5 years time.

What was the number of visitors in 2008?

What was the predicted figure for 2013?

What was the number of visitors in 2013?”

The Chairman of the Policy & Resources Committee, Councillor Mrs Cowling replied

<i>“What was the number of visitors in 2008 -</i>	40,000
<i>What was the predicted no. of visitors for 2013 -</i>	80,000
<i>What was the number of visitors in 2013 -</i>	26,000”

Councillor Clark asked the following supplementary question:

“Does the Chair of P&R consider in terms of economic development, the policy for this Council, does she believe that was a success??”

Councillor Mrs Cowling replied:

“The investment delivered what it was supposed to deliver, which was the introduction of the Harrison Collection to the Folk Museum.”

2. Councillor Clark submitted the following question:

To Councillor Mrs Cowling, the Chairman of the Policy & Resources Committee:

“In 2008 Ryedale District Council gave £250,000 to Ryedale Folk Museum. As a result predictions were made for 5 years time.

What was the number of FTE employees of Ryedale Folk Museum in 2008?

What was the predicted number of FTE employees of Ryedale Folk Museum for 2013?

What was the number of FTE employees of Ryedale Folk Museum in 2013?”

The Chairman of the Policy & Resources Committee, Councillor Mrs Cowling replied

*“What was the number of employees of RFM in 2008 - **9 FTE***

*What was the predicted no. of FTE employees for 2013 - **13 FTE***

*What was the number of FTE employees in 2013 - **Although it varies over the year, this averages at 8 FTEs**”*

Councillor Clark asked the following supplementary question:

“On the basis that this investment was done under the heading of economic development, albeit to put in a very valuable museum collection, the reason for putting in the money into that collection was that it would be good for the economy of Ryedale and good particularly for that part of Ryedale. On that basis, does the Chair of P&R think it was a successful investment in terms of economic development?”

Councillor Mrs Cowling replied:

“The Museum, along with everybody else has had to cut its coat according to its cloth in the years since 2008 and a lot of us aren't doing and aren't achieving what we thought we might be doing in 2013.”

3. Councillor Clark submitted the following question:

To Councillor Mrs Cowling, the Chairman of the Policy & Resources Committee:

“In 2008 Ryedale District Council gave £250,000 to Ryedale Folk Museum. As a result predictions were made for 5 years time.

What was the number of volunteers in 2008?

What was the predicted number of volunteers for 2013?

What was the number of volunteers in 2013?”

The Chairman of the Policy & Resources Committee, Councillor Mrs Cowling replied

“What was the number of volunteers in 2008 - 150 volunteer opportunities
What was the predicted no. of volunteers for 2013 - 250 volunteer opportunities
What was the number of volunteers in 2013 - Approx 100 volunteers”

Councillor Clark asked the following supplementary question:

“Does the Chair of P&R think it might not have been a good idea at some point since 2008, if she had brought to Council's attention the fact that these numbers - all of them - were not only not in the direction that we were led to believe and the predictions but were wildly out, rather than waiting until we've got to the situation that we're in now?”

Councillor Mrs Cowling replied:

“I really fail to see why it was my responsibility to bring these numbers to Council when I'm not that familiar with what the Ryedale Folk Museum was doing, any more than it was your responsibility. If you knew then why didn't you tell us?”

34 **To Receive a Statement from the Leader of the Council and to Receive Questions and Give Answers on that Statement**

Councillor Mrs Cowling, the Leader of the Council, presented the following statement:

“Tonight we are going to be debating the merits of our business plan and setting the framework for us to work within for the next 4 years. When we come back after summer we shall start the process of setting our budget for next year. Hopefully the success of the green waste scheme will give us some further flexibility in our budget and we may also be in a position to receive some news regarding the leisure contract procurement exercise. The meetings to facilitate the site selection process for our local plan are now underway – we have at last got to the interesting bit!

This is a list of the meetings I have attended since we last met:

02/06/2014 Housing Board

1. Membership of the board was increased to better align with the Local Enterprise Partnership aspirations for growth in housing. The new members are an elected member from the East Riding(cllr Simon Fraser), a representative from registered providers of housing (Paul Lightfoot from Broadacres, Shaun Tyman from Yorkshire Coast Homes on a rotating basis and Julia Histon from York Housing association as a reserve)and a representative from the building industry (Paul Newman, MD of Barratt Homes).

2. The partnership has a very good web site where there is lots of information available and agendas and minutes can be viewed.

www.northyorkshirestrategichousingpartnership.co.uk

04/06/2014 Ryedale Folk Museum Presentation

10/06/2014 Malton Ward Walk

1. This is a very informative event organised by the Fitzwilliam Estate, which gives a behind the scenes look at what is going on in Malton – if you haven't attended yet I would highly recommend it.

11.06.2014 Careers CPD Event

1. Brilliant event – what I took away from the event most was the disparity between careers advice available in the different schools in our patch

11/06/2014 Parish Liaison Meeting

1. The liaison meeting was very well attended as usual with some very probing questions from the parishes – particularly around site allocations in the service villages – the agenda and minutes are available on our website.

12/06/2014 Site allocation meeting

1. Again if you have not been able to attend the two meetings held so far then I would highly recommend that you attend the last meeting on the 15th July. Even if it does not involve the parishes that you represent, it will give you a very good insight into how the selection process works. There will also be ongoing work with the market towns around site selection

17/06/2014 Interviews for Corporate Director

1. A full day of very intensive work! You all now know the outcome. Congratulations to Phil!

18/06/2014 Ryedale Strategic Partnership

1. Again the agenda and minutes are available on our website if you wish to see them. Jos has circulated what was a very good presentation from Moorsweb a project which has been enormously beneficial in providing fast internet services in some of the more isolated areas of Northern Ryedale.

2. You will recall that Ryedale Community Safety Partnership has now been merged with 6 other CSPs to form the North Yorkshire CSP

3. The Ryedale Strategic Partnership will now be dissolved subject to the formation of the North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership

25/06/2014 North Yorkshire Joint Procurement Committee

1. Sounds boring but actually it isn't! I am sure you will find the following interesting! It is just a flavour of some of the ways in which the procurement partnership has saved us money. Unfortunately the Scarborough work is missing from this, but I will circulate it when I get a copy.

2. Ryedale DC Procurement Activity 2013/2014:

- Palm Dry Recyclates contract negotiations and dispute resolution for 3rd year contract pricing. Contract value fluctuates due to variation in prices, but generates approx. £100k/year income.

- *Dry Recyclates – procurement of temporary provision of service with Todd’s after serving notice on Palm (whilst running full EU compliant re-procurement for 3 year contract).*
- *Green Waste Roll Out Project – sourcing of printing of all materials and letters etc to ensure all households have been communicated with.*
- *Washroom Services - Old contracts with PHS and Cathedral cost approx. £8.5k/year. New supplier (Cannon Hygiene procured via ESPO framework). £6.8k/year saving (4 year contract from April 2013).*
- *Cash in Transit Collection Services – New supplier put in place (Security Plus) after joint exercise with Scarborough and Selby using ESPO framework agreement. £13k/year saving (4 year contract from April 2013).*
- *NYBCP Electricity (Easingwold) - £1.2k/year saving by putting NYBCP onto Ryedale corporate contract with Npower via YPO energy framework.*
- *Ryedale Leisure Contract – full EU procurement started during 13/14 year – will deliver significant savings when supplier selected in July 2014. Current annual spend is approx. £340k.*
- *Photocopier Paper – change to Navigator Discovery 75gsm via Dartford Framework (Lyreco) saving £600/year*
- *Council Tax Billing project – full outsourcing of secure print and mailing – no financial saving but significant reduction in internal resource required to carry out the annual billing.*

Selby DC Procurement Activity 2013/2014:

- *Full tender exercise for rebuild of Abbey Leisure Centre - £6.3m build*
- *Compliant Sourcing of Project Mgt Company (Turner and Townsend) for building of new Leisure Centre*
- *Abbey Leisure Village - Running of Competitive Dialogue EU tender process for additional leisure facilities in Selby*
- *Selby Banking Services – tender exercise resulting in change of supplier to Barclays - £10k/year saving on £25k spend*
- *Roundabout Sponsorship Procurement – tender exercise leading to the engagement of Community Partners, to generate potential income of £25k/year for advertising/sponsorship on the districts roundabouts*
- *Tadcaster Car Park – running tender exercise via YORTender (using YORcivils framework), leading to appointment of MB Roche £310k to carry out the work*
- *Election Printing – quote exercise for all election printing requirements for next 2 years (approx. value £15k). Used SBC printing framework, appointed Print Image Ltd.*
- *Washroom services (sanitary bins for Market Cross) – saving £1.2k/year by moving onto ESPO framework rates with PHS.*
- *Photocopier Paper – change to Navigator Discovery 75gsm via Dartford Framework (Lyreco) saving £600/year*
- *Phone-line audit leading to cancellation of 8 connections – saving £1k/year*
- *Mobile Phones – cancellation of 13 unused data bundles saving £660/year*
- *Barlby Depot – change of tariff for unused gas supply – saving £500/year on standing charges- Cash in Transit Collection Services - £2.3k/year saving using ESPO framework with Security Plus as new supplier*
- *Advertising Services Contract – contract with TMP via ESPO framework”*

The following questions were received on the Leader's Statement:

1. From Councillor Wainwright

"Could the Leader please explain the dry recycling situation because Palm Recyclates I assume are not our recycler anymore and Todds are - what's happening there please?"

The Leader replied:

"We have gone out to tender for the dry recyclates and a decision will be made shortly."

2. From Councillor Ward

"Does the Leader see the green waste scheme as a profit making service given that her speech includes the words "will provide us with flexibility in our budget"?"

The Leader replied:

"That will be a decision for the Council to make because the income from green waste has exceeded what was predicted then there will be a decision to be made about how we use that money. You can use it to reduce or keep the Council Tax at zero or you could put it into something else or you could reduce the cost of collecting green waste. It will be a decision for the Council to make not me."

Councillor Ward then asked the following supplementary question:

"So can you just confirm that, given that people are now having to pay out for that service, the option to reduce the cost is definitely one of the options that is going to be available to us?"

The Leader then replied:

"Almost certain to be one of the options. I can't see why it wouldn't be."

3. From Councillor Ward

"I got here a couple of minutes before 6.30 pm. I didn't have this electronically. I wonder whether the Chairman can in future make this available through Modern.gov a week beforehand, so we've time to go through all of this and also I appreciate the fact that you have endeavoured to provide links but they mean nothing on paper. I can't even see the website. Presumably you've embedded the link in the text, so I can't even see what the website is it's pointing at. So if you can put everything through Modern.gov and then those of us still wanting to use

the electronic method can actually access things then that would be appreciated if that's possible please?"

The Leader replied:

"I will try to make sure that we can do it like that. I can't guarantee that I will always have them for you a week beforehand. I do try to be organised but I seem to run out of time always."

4. From Councillor Richardson

"Are we still generating an income from dry recycling in this temporary phase of re-procurement? And can you just clarify how we can save money with Selby? I can see the summary of points there but I can't see how Ryedale Council saved money, it's not clear from what's written."

The Leader replied:

"You're asking how we saved money with Selby. It's a partnership, all the savings are pooled and then allocated on a percentage basis. Don't ask me what the percentage basis is because I don't know off the top of my head but I could find that out for you. When the procurement exercise is completed and we've made a decision, then we'll be able to see whether we are still making profit or not and you will know then. It's inappropriate really to talk in the middle of the procurement exercise."

5. From Councillor Paul Andrews

"I'd like to join in congratulating Phil to his appointment as Corporate Director but I do have some questions to ask about the manner of this appointment. First of all, who did the appointments, who were the members of the working party? Secondly, how will the functions of the S151 officer be discharged and thirdly I'm a little bit concerned because we now havebecause the Corporate Officer does not have professional financial qualifications and it would be useful if we could be told why it was decided not to proceed on that basis? If that can be done without breaking confidence?"

The Leader replied:

"Let me see if I can remember who was on the working party? There was myself, Caroline Goodrick, John Clark, Peter Walker, Di Keal, Steve Arnold, Geoff Acomb - I think that's it. As regards the Section 151 function, we have several qualified Section 151 officers working within our finance dept so that's quite adequately covered. The decision to appoint someone who didn't carry those financial qualifications, who wasn't a certified accountant or whatever the name is - it was felt that the role of Corporate Director needed different skills this time and that was the basis that the appointment was made on."

Councillor Paul Andrews then asked the following supplementary question:

“Yes, you say that there are lots of officers who are Section 151 officers. This Council has, to a point a Section 151 officer, who has the Council appointed as its Section 151 officer and there can only be one person, not a lot of them? Does that mean that we’re not going to Scarborough or County for a S151 officer?”

The Leader then replied:

“Peter Johnson...It does.”

6. From Councillor Woodward

“Earlier in the year I asked the Leader how she would judge the success of the garden waste scheme and she declined to answer. She now tells us in the statement that it's been a success, so please could she tell us how she judges that it's been a success?”

The Leader replied:

“I judge the garden waste scheme to have been successful because the public have responded positively and they have subscribed to a far greater extent than we expected them to and I think that means that the public are supportive of that scheme.”

Councillor Woodward then asked the following supplementary question:

“As both Cllr Cowling and myself - in fact it was Cllr Cowling that said I should have the same view - said that we cannot justify having wagons that go round at just 4 miles a gallon on environmental grounds, how can it be a success to have such a high take up?”

The Leader then replied:

“I’m damned if I do and damned if I don’t aren’t I? Whatever I say was a success, you would say it wasn’t, so we’ll just leave it at that.”

7. From Councillor Walker

“I don't expect you to answer this now Cllr Cowling because its a pretty complex question but perhaps you'll be able to answer it sometime in the future for me? What sort of take up have we had percentage wise on this garden waste scheme from higher Council Tax paying properties as opposed to the lower Council Tax paying properties? The question being, is it them that can afford it that take it up and them that's skint that can't and I'd like to have the answer to that sometime in the future please.”

The Leader stated that a written answer would be provided.

8. From Councillor Paul Andrews

“In your statement you refer to the Leisure contract procurement - sorry you refer to the Council Plan and that in turn refers to the Leisure contract procurement - we all received a highly critical letter from the Chairman of Ryedale Leisure and what I would like to know is what steps are going to be taken to investigate that letter and to make a full report back to Council - if any? If no steps are to be taken, would you please explain why because it's a very serious critical letter and in my view it would be completely wrong if it's not properly explained to Members and properly answered?”

The Leader replied:

“I think when we have the results of the procurement exercise would be a good time to look at the criticisms that were contained in that letter and compare the things that were said in that letter to the actual outcomes. I think it would be premature to reply to that letter now.”

Councillor Paul Andrews then asked the following supplementary question:

“Could you explain why it would be premature to answer that letter now because it rather seems to me that if we leave it til after the contract is let. We're actually putting ourselves in the position of bolting the door after the horse has gone away.”

The Chairman stated:

“Sorry I just want a correction. You said in your answer that it would be premature to respond. I can confirm that officers have responded to that letter, that was done through delegation through the Head of Paid Service.”

The Leader then replied:

“A letter was also sent to me and my response would be premature when I don't have that information yet.”

35 **Delivering the Council's Priorities 2014-2018**

The Chief Executive submitted a report (previously circulated) which presented the delivery against the Councils priorities in 2013/14 to Council, summarised the challenges facing the Council for the next 12 months and sought to reaffirm the Aims and Strategic objectives of the Council Business Plan for 2014/15 within this context.

Councillor Mrs Cowling moved and Councillor Arnold seconded the recommendations in the report.

Councillor Clark moved and Councillor Woodward seconded the following amendment:

Return "Housing Need" from 2 to 1 in our priorities.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was lost.

Recorded Vote

For

Councillors Joy Andrews, Paul Andrews, Mrs Burr, Clark, Maud, Richardson, Walker, Ward and Woodward.

Against

Councillors Acomb, Arnold, Bailey, Collinson, Mrs Cowling, Cussons, Mrs Frank, Fraser, Mrs Goodrick, Hawkins, Hicks, Hope, Ives, Raper, Wainwright and Windress.

Abstentions

Councillors Mrs Keal and Mrs Shields.

Councillor Mrs Keal moved and Councillor Mrs Shield moved a further amendment, as follows:

Add the words "and the Ryedale Foodbank" after "to CAB" in Aim 4e).

On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

Voting Record

11 votes for
10 votes against
6 abstentions

On being put to the vote, the substantive motion was then carried.

Resolved

- (i) That Members note the progress made by the Council in delivering its priorities in 2013/14 and agree the challenges to be faced in 2014/15 that become the aims and objectives;
- (ii) That Members agree the Aims and Strategic Objectives of the Council Business Plan for 2014/18, with an amendment to add the words "and the Ryedale Foodbank" after "to CAB" in Aim 4e).

Voting Record

20 votes for

2 votes against
5 abstentions

36 **To consider for Approval the Recommendations in respect of the following Part 'B' Committee Items:**

Policy and Resources Committee – 19 June 2014

Minute 9 – Exempt Information

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Cowling and seconded by Councillor Arnold that the meeting move into exempt session.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was carried.

Resolved

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item as there will be a likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 31 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as the information provided relates to financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Voting Record

15 votes for
7 votes against
4 abstentions

Minute 11 – Ryedale Folk Museum – Request for Investment

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Cowling and seconded by Councillor Arnold that the following recommendations of the Policy & Resources Committee in relation to the Ryedale Folk Museum (RFM) be approved and adopted.

That Council approves the recommendations in the exempt report.

Councillor Mrs Frank moved and Councillor Acomb seconded the following amendment:

The Council is recommended to approve:

*Delete the words "of up to £150000.00" from (i)
(i) Financial investment into the Ryedale Folk Museum on the following basis*

- a. Any loan awarded to the RFM will be subject to a charge on Crosland House and the appointment of a suitably experienced member to the RFM board

Delete b.

Delete i

Add - with the consequent number changes to the conditions

- i. *Ryedale District Council (RDC) supports a phased schedule of payments (paid as a loan – agreement of terms to be delegated to officers) to reflect the projected shortfall as illustrated on the cash flow dated 25th June 2014 up to a maximum of £75k, coupled with continuing close scrutiny by appropriate officers and the member elected to represent the council on the trustee board of the RFM. The aim is to minimise the amount loaned by RDC and reduce financial risk. The production of a business plan is to be a priority over the following 4 months and subject to the following conditions*
 - 1. *Urgent and immediate action be taken to fund raise in order to minimise support needed from RDC*
 - 2. *Appointment by the RFM of independent external financial advisors to support development of robust financial and accounting procedures*
 - 3. *Appointment by the RFM of external marketing and PR support to increase visitor numbers*
 - 4. *Works being progressed that will ensure the completion of the Glass Furnace project by March 2015*
 - 5. *Undertaking an organisational review (leading to the development of a long term business plan) in partnership with ACE, PHF, and RDC, to be completed by March 2015, with an RDC officer to be on the steering group for the review. The review will include governance arrangements and Trustee responsibilities.*
 - 6. *Commitment by RFM to the implementation of an agreed action plan (agreed by the stakeholders in 5 above) to deliver the findings of the organisational review*

Delete ii and add

- ii. *Subject to a review of progress made in 2014/15 further financial support be considered in 2015/16 up to a maximum of £75k*

- (ii) Extension of the Harrison Collection Phase 2 completion milestone, by 5 years, to April 2020.

Upon being put to the vote the amendment was carried.

Voting Record

20 votes for

4 votes against
2 abstentions

Upon being put to the vote the motion was then carried.

Recorded Vote

For

Councillors Acomb, Paul Andrews, Arnold, Bailey, Mrs Burr, Mrs Cowling, Cussons, Mrs Frank, Fraser, Mrs Goodrick, Hawkins, Hicks, Hope, Mrs Keal, Maud, Raper, Mrs Shields, Ward and Windress.

Against

Councillors Joy Andrews, Clark, Ives, Richardson, Wainwright, Walker and Woodward.

Abstentions

None.

Resolved

That Council approve:

- (i) Financial investment into the Ryedale Folk Museum (RFM) on the following basis:
 - a. Any loan awarded to the RFM will be subject to a charge on Crosland House and the appointment of a suitably experienced RDC Member to the RFM Board.
 1. Ryedale District Council (RDC) supports a phased schedule of payments (paid as a loan – agreement of terms to be delegated to officers) to reflect the projected shortfall as illustrated on the cash flow dated 25th June 2014 up to a maximum of £75k, coupled with continuing close scrutiny by appropriate officers and the member elected to represent the council on the trustee board of the RFM. The aim is to minimise the amount loaned by RDC and reduce financial risk. The production of a business plan is to be a priority over the following 4 months and subject to the following conditions:
 1. Urgent and immediate action to be taken to fund raise in order to minimise support needed from RDC;
 2. Appointment by the RFM of external, independent financial advisors to support development of robust financial and accounting procedures;

3. Appointment by the RFM of external marketing and PR support to increase visitor numbers;
4. Works being progressed that will ensure completion of the Glass Furnace project by March 2015;
5. Undertaking an organisational review (leading to the development of a long-term business plan) in partnership with ACE, PHF and RDC, to be completed by March 2015, with an RDC officer to be on the steering group for the review. The review will include governance arrangements and Trustee responsibilities;
6. Commitment by RFM to the implementation of an agreed action plan (agreed by the stakeholders in 4 above) to deliver the findings of the organisational review.

- ii. Subject to a review of progress made in 2014/15 further financial support be considered in 2015/16 up to a maximum of £75k;

(ii) Extension of the Harrison Collection (HC) Phase 2 completion milestone, by 5 years, to April 2020.

37 Notices on Motion Submitted Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11

1. The following motion submitted by Councillor Mrs Cowling and Councillor Arnold was ruled out of order:

1. That the decision not to appoint a Deputy Leader as a job share with the Leader made at the Annual Council meeting on the 15th May 2014 be revoked.

This motion is put without prejudice to the Council's ability to reconsider the matter afresh.

2. That Council Procedure rule 14.2, which precludes consideration of a motion previously rejected at Council be suspended pursuant to Council procedure rule 23 in relation to the consideration of part 3 of the motion below only.
3. That the Council should appoint a Deputy Leader of the Council.
4. In the event that Council decides to appoint a Deputy Leader that nominations be sought for the position and that council appoints a Deputy Leader.

2. The following motion submitted by Councillor Mrs Goodrick and by Councillor Mrs Cowling was ruled out of order.

We, the undersigned, consider it to be in the best interests of the Council to reconsider the decision made at the Council meeting on 6 March 2014 in relation to minute number 114: "Final Report - Scrutiny Review of Member Roles on Outside Bodies and as Member Champions".

For this purpose it is therefore moved:-

1. That the following resolved provisions of the decision of the Council meeting on 6 March 2014 be revoked :

“(ii) That substitute representatives be appointed for outside bodies, where the governance arrangements permit, and that it be the nominated representatives responsibility to notify the substitute if they are unable to attend a meeting of the outside body;

(iii) That a précis from Member representatives on outside bodies be published on the website following each meeting, subject to the approval of the outside bodies, to ensure feedback of key decisions and discussions relevant to the Council is available, and including their attendance record;

(v) That nominations of representatives to outside bodies should be made by Council based on their skills and expertise, in addition to attendance records, and that Members be asked to provide an oral statement of this upon nomination.”

2. That the remaining resolved provisions under minute number 114 remain intact.

38 **Appointment of Representatives on Outside Organisations**

This business was deferred to the next Ordinary Meeting of Full Council where time was available.

39 **Appointment of Member Champions**

This business was deferred to the next Ordinary Meeting of Full Council where time was available.

40 **To Consider a Review of Members' and Other Allowances by the Council's Independent Remuneration Panel**

The Chief Executive submitted a report (previously circulated) which set out recommendations to Council regarding the Members' Allowances Scheme, having regard to the review of those allowances carried out by the Council's Independent Remuneration Panel.

Councillor Mrs Cowling moved and Councillor Arnold seconded the recommendations in the report.

Councillor Mrs Cowling moved and Councillor Mrs Frank seconded the following amendment:

POSITION	ALLOWANCE 2013/14	PROPOSED ALLOWANCE 2014/15	PROPOSED AMENDMENT
CHAIR OF FULL COUNCIL	0.00	760.00	760.00
CHAIR OF FULL COUNCIL EXPENSES	3000.00	3090.00	3090.00
VICE CHAIR OF FULL COUNCIL	1260.00	500.00	530.45
CHAIR OF P&R	3551.64	3587.04	2869.63
VICE -CHAIR OF P&R	887.88	0.00	530.45
CHAIR OF COMMISSIONING	1775.76	Deleted	Deleted
CHAIR OF PLANNING	1775.76	3587.04	2869.63
VICE CHAIR OF PLANNING	0.00	0.00	530.45
CHAIR OF O&S	1775.76	3587.04	2869.63
VICE CHAIR OF O&S	0.00	0.00	530.45
CHAIR OF LICENSING	0.00	0.00	0.00
VICE CHAIR OF LICENSING	0.00	0.00	0.00
LEADER	3551.64	3587.04	3587.04
DEPUTY LEADER			530.45
GROUP LEADER- CONSERVATIVE	355.20	358.80	358.80
GROUP LEADER -LIB DEM	355.20	358.80	358.80
GROUP LEADER - LIBERAL	355.20	358.80	358.80
GROUP LEADER - INDEPENDENT	355.20	358.80	358.80
LGA GENERAL ASSEMBLY YORKSHIRE & HUMBER ASSEMBLY	355.20		Deleted
LGA RURAL COMMISSION	355.20		Deleted
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Upon being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

Recorded Vote

For

Councillors Acomb, Arnold, Bailey, Collinson, Mrs Cowling, Cussons, Mrs Frank, Fraser, Mrs Goodrick, Hawkins, Hicks, Hope, Ives, Maud, Raper, Wainwright and Windress.

Against

Councillors Joy Andrews, Paul Andrews, Mrs Burr, Clark, Mrs Keal, Richardson, Mrs Shields, Walker, Ward and Woodward.

Abstentions

None.

Councillor Clark then moved and Councillor Woodward seconded a further amendment, as follows:

Delete – allowance of Deputy Leader of £530.45

On being put to the vote, the amendment was lost.

Voting Record

10 votes for

16 votes against

1 abstention

Upon being put to the vote, the substantive motion was then carried.

Resolved

That the following changes to the Scheme of Members' Allowances be approved:

1. The basic allowance of £3,551.64 be increased annually for the next four years effective 15 May 2014 and then each 1 April by reference to the annual percentage award to officers under the National Joint Council for Local Government Services for spinal column 34;
2. That the current system where Councillors can receive more than one special responsibility allowance be retained;
3. That the following Special Responsibility Allowances be paid:

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ALLOWANCE</u>
CHAIR OF FULL COUNCIL	760.00
CHAIR OF FULL COUNCIL EXPENSES	3090.00
VICE CHAIR OF FULL COUNCIL	530.45
CHAIR OF P&R	2869.63
VICE -CHAIR OF P&R	530.45
CHAIR OF COMMISSIONING	Deleted
CHAIR OF PLANNING	2869.63
VICE CHAIR OF PLANNING	530.45
CHAIR OF O&S	2869.63
VICE CHAIR OF O&S	530.45
CHAIR OF LICENSING	0.00
VICE CHAIR OF LICENSING	0.00
LEADER	3587.04

DEPUTY LEADER	530.45
GROUP LEADER- CONSERVATIVE	358.80
GROUP LEADER -LIB DEM	358.80
GROUP LEADER - LIBERAL	358.80
GROUP LEADER - INDEPENDENT	358.80
LGA GENERAL ASSEMBLY YORKSHIRE & HUMBER ASSEMBLY	Deleted
LGA RURAL COMMISSION	Deleted

4. That all allowances should include an annual increase in line with the indexation provisions of the scheme of Members Allowances for 2014/15;
5. That some type of system be introduced to ensure that special responsibility allowances are reviewed when changes in committee structure/responsibility occurred;
6. That if Councillor meetings include members from more than one political group, they should become eligible for the payment of travel expenses.

Voting Record

15 votes for
9 votes against
1 abstention

41 **Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent.**

There was one item of urgent business: to establish a Constitution Working Party.

Resolved

To establish a Constitution Working Party to report to the Policy and Resources Committee such Working Party to comprise the Chairman of Council and Group Leaders.

The terms of reference of the Constitution Working Party be to review the constitution and make recommendations to the Policy and Resources Committee.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 10.50pm.

3 July 2014 – Responses to Supplementary Questions

Questions on the Leader’s Statement

From Cllr Richardson

“Are we still generating an income from dry recycling in this temporary phase of re-procurement? And can you just clarify how we can save money with Selby? I can see the summary of points there but I can't see how Ryedale Council saved money, it's not clear from what's written.”

The Leader’s reply at the meeting:

“You're asking how we saved money with Selby. It's a partnership, all the savings are pooled and then allocated on a percentage basis. Don't ask me what the percentage basis is because I don't know off the top of my head but I could find that out for you. When the procurement exercise is completed and we've made a decision, then we'll be able to see whether we are still making profit or not and you will know then. It's inappropriate really to talk in the middle of the procurement exercise.”

Additional information:

1. “Savings made through a tender process led or involving the procurement partnership are allocated in full to the relevant authority/service area.
2. The Procurement Partnership accounts for 13/14 showed a surplus of £16,866 which has been allocated to reserves. Overall the partnership now has reserves of £61,738. In theory if the partnership board makes a decision to allocate these reserves to the partnership members it would be allocated as follows based on the partnership agreement and the same percentages member councils contribute to the partnership :
 - Scarborough 54.88%
 - Selby 26.68%
 - Ryedale 18.44%

Note: The board made a decision to look at possible options to invest these reserves going forward and bring these options to a future committee meeting.

3. Scenario for dry re-cyclates, until new contract is in place.

Materials

Overview

(Income)

Annual
Tonnage

Existing Contract

Price
per
tonne
Annual
Value

Glass	1,355	£10.00	£13,550
Paper/Card	1,900	£42.00	£79,800
Cans/Plastics	565	£15.00	£8,475
Total	3,820		£101,825.00

Associated Costs:

Running vehicles into Todds site at Knapton Quarry

based on £3/mile cost £38,766

Nett annual income £63,059.00

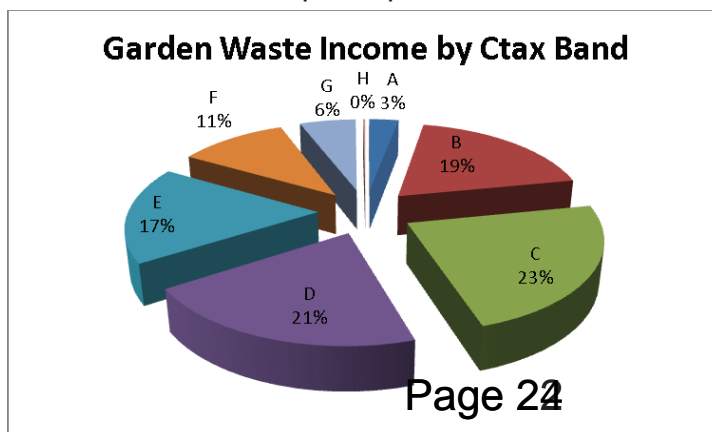
From Cllr Walker

“I don't expect you to answer this now Cllr Cowling because its a pretty complex question but perhaps you'll be able to answer it sometime in the future for me? What sort of take up have we had percentage wise on this garden waste scheme from higher Council Tax paying properties as opposed to the lower Council Tax paying properties? The question being, is it them that can afford it that take it up and them that's skint that can't and I'd like to have the answer to that sometime in the future please.”

Written response:

“Further to the question raised at Full Council last week regarding the take up of the garden waste service across the council tax bands please see the chart below which gives the distribution and shows that the majority of subscribers are within bands B, C, D and E (current subscription level @ 45%).

It has been possible to match the garden waste address information to the council tax information by 88% (a full property matching exercise is an outstanding action) and there is high confidence that this comparison gives an accurate indication of participation across the bands.”





REPORT TO: FULL COUNCIL
DATE: 4 SEPTEMBER 2014
SUBJECT: PART 'B' REFERRALS FROM PLANNING COMMITTEE ON 30 JULY 2014

44 PART B - Ryedale Community Infrastructure Levy - Discretionary Relief and Payment Instalment Policies

Decision

Full Council is recommended to agree in principle to the:

- (i) Circumstances under which the Council, as charging authority will offer Discretionary Relief from CIL as outlined in paragraphs 6.12-6.16 of the report previously circulated to Members and
- (ii) Use of a CIL Instalment Policy as outlined and referred to in the report previously circulated to Members.

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PART B:	RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL
REPORT TO:	PLANNING COMMITTEE
DATE:	30 JULY 2014
REPORT OF THE:	HEAD OF PLANNING AND HOUSING GARY HOUSDEN
TITLE OF REPORT:	RYEDALE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY. DISCRETIONARY RELIEF AND PAYMENT INSTALMENT POLICIES.
WARDS AFFECTED:	ALL WARDS EXCLUDING THE AREA OF THOSE WARDS FALLING WITHIN THE NORTH YORK MOORS NATIONAL PARK.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 For Members to consider and agree the circumstances under which discretionary relief from CIL will be given and the use of a CIL payment instalment policy.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1 That Council is recommended to agree in principle to the:
- (i) Circumstances under which the Council, as charging authority will offer Discretionary Relief from CIL as outlined in paragraphs 6.12-6.16 and
 - (ii) Use of a CIL Instalment Policy

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 To assist the transparent implementation of CIL in accordance with the regulations.

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

- 4.1 There are no significant risks associated with this report.

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT AND CONSULTATION

- 5.1 Members are aware that the Council has agreed to progress the use of the

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). The CIL will be an important means of delivering objectives of the Council Plan and the Development Plan policies.

REPORT

6.0 REPORT DETAILS

- 6.1 Members are aware that the CIL Draft Charging Schedule (DCS) was agreed by this Committee on the 7 May 2014 and by Council on 15th May 2014. The DCS has been formally published and officers are currently preparing to submit it for independent examination.
- 6.2 The CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) include provisions which give charging authorities the discretion to offer relief from CIL under specific circumstances. (CIL relief can mean either an exemption or reduction in liability to pay the levy.) These discretionary powers are in addition to the mandatory relief or exemptions which apply to specific types of development. If a Charging Authority resolves to use these discretionary powers it must give the relevant notice and state its policy on the matter.
- 6.3 The Regulations also provide a Charging Authority with the ability to allow CIL to be paid in instalments. In order for a Charging Authority to do this, it must publish an instalment policy on its web-site.
- 6.4 It is not necessary that the Council has these policies in place in order for the Draft Charging Schedule to progress through the examination. However, it is considered that an agreed position on both of these matters would ensure that the Council is entirely transparent over how it intends to implement CIL as the Draft Charging Schedule is examined.

Community Infrastructure Levy Relief

- 6.5 Members are aware that there are some types of development which will not be liable to pay CIL. Examples include:
- Buildings into which people do not normally go
 - Buildings into which people go only intermittently for the purpose of inspecting or maintaining fixed plant or machinery
 - Structures which are not buildings such as pylons and wind turbines
 - Development which are Charging Authority has decided should be zero rated and specified as such in a Charging Schedule
 - Vacant buildings brought back into the same use
 - Development of less than 100 square metres of gross internal floorspace which does not involve the creation of a new dwelling
 - The change of use, conversion or subdivision of a building that does not involve an increase in floorspace
 - Temporary development for a limited time period
 - The creation of a mezzanine floor within a building of less than 200 square metres
 - Houses, flats, residential annexes and residential extensions which are built by self builders (defined in the regulations)
 - Affordable housing that meets the relief criteria set out in the regulations
 - Charitable development that meets the relief criteria set out in the regulations

- 6.6 Additionally, it should be noted that where the Levy liability is calculated to be less than the £50, the chargeable amount is deemed to be zero.

Discretionary Relief/Exemption

- 6.7 The Regulations allow charging authorities to offer three forms of relief at their discretion, providing that if a charging authority resolves to do so, it is satisfied that this would not breach State aid rules. The forms of discretionary relief are:
- Discretionary charitable relief
 - Exceptional circumstances relief
 - Discretionary social housing relief
- 6.8 Most forms of development by a charitable institution will be exempt for CIL where the development is used wholly or mainly for charitable purposes and subject to a range of specific criteria. However, a Charging Authority can choose to offer discretionary relief to a charitable landowner where the greater part of the chargeable development will be held as an investment from which profits are applied for charitable purposes.
- 6.9 A charging authority may also resolve to offer relief from the levy in exceptional circumstances where a specific scheme cannot afford to pay and it is deemed that the levy would have an unacceptable impact on the economic viability of a development. It should be noted, that this could only be applied in situations where a Section 106 agreement is in place as well as the Levy.
- 6.10 Mandatory Social Housing relief applies to all types of affordable housing provided by a Registered Provider, Registered Social Landlord or Local Housing Authority. A Charging Authority may offer further discretionary relief for affordable housing which does not meet the criteria required for mandatory social housing relief and which is not regulated through the National Rent Regime. This would apply, for example, to developers and private landlords providing intermediate affordable housing types.
- 6.11 Any decision to offer these discretionary forms of relief will impose an additional level of complexity in the administration and management of CIL. For this reason, it is considered that the Council should only introduce discretionary relief where it is confident that there are clear and justifiable reasons for doing so. It should be noted that a Charging Authority can introduce (or remove) discretionary relief at any stage, providing it gives the appropriate statutory notice.

Discretionary Charitable Relief (DCR)

- 6.12 Officers are not aware of any particular trend or examples of development for investment purposes by charities in Ryedale to date. It is considered that those charities which may have the resources to undertake development for investment purposes are likely to be national organisations and in this respect, it should be noted that any relief offered would not necessarily be directly felt by residents of Ryedale. This point is made as it appears that a number of charging authorities that have offered DCR have done so subject to criteria designed to ensure that the charitable investment is used to fund the provision of services to residents in the area. It is considered that this would be a particularly difficult criterion to apply to charities which operate nationwide.

- 6.13 Most of the charitable development which will be experienced in Ryedale will be covered by mandatory exemptions and officers are of the view that there is little evidence to suggest that discretionary charitable relief could be sufficiently justified at this stage. However, it is considered that this is something which the Council will keep under review as CIL is introduced and as it beds in.

Exceptional Circumstances Relief

- 6.14 The Council has prepared its Draft Charging Schedule taking account of economic viability matters and the requirements of the legislation to strike an appropriate balance between the need to fund infrastructure and the potential implications for the economic viability of development in Ryedale. It is considered that the circumstances which would justify exceptional circumstances relief would be very rare, given that the CIL rate is set/ informed by viability evidence. Furthermore, the Local Plan Strategy has been prepared to support the release of the types of sites which should be less challenging in terms of economic viability. For these reasons, together with the fact that such discretionary relief would also impose an additional level of complexity in the administration and management of CIL, it is considered that the Council should not offer this form of relief at this stage. It should be noted however, that such a policy could be introduced at any stage and the position can be kept under review.

Discretionary social housing relief

- 6.15 Members are aware that affordable social housing provided by Registered Social Landlords is exempt from CIL. However, the legislation allows for other intermediate tenures such as shared equity or discounted homes for sale to be exempt from CIL at the discretion of a Charging Authority.
- 6.16 Members are aware that it is this Council's policy to seek a proportion of these forms of affordable housing as developer contributions. It is considered that in order to ensure that the viability of affordable homes is maintained and that these forms of affordable housing can continue to be delivered, there is a need to ensure that all forms of affordable housing qualify for relief from CIL. If Members endorse this position a detailed policy statement will be prepared, notice given and the policy would be made available on the web-site, once the Council is in a position to introduce CIL.

Proposed Instalment Policy

- 6.17 The CIL legislation allows CIL Charging Authorities to introduce a policy which would allow CIL to be paid in instalments by developers. Normally, developers would be liable to pay CIL on commencement of development. An instalment policy would allow payments to be phased and would assist developers in terms of development finances and scheme viability. For this reason, it is considered that an instalment policy should be supported in principle. Once the draft CIL charge has progressed through examination and the Council is in a position to introduce the charge, Members will be asked to formally adopt the CIL at a future meeting.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The following implications have been identified:
- a) Financial

Discretionary Social Housing Relief is unlikely to result in the loss of CIL as without the discretionary relief policy in place it is very unlikely that the relevant types of affordable housing will be delivered as they are not likely to be viable against the CIL charge. A CIL instalment policy will influence the time taken to collect CIL from developments and this may have implications for the delivery and prioritisation of infrastructure projects which will be funded through the use of CIL.

- b) Legal
No direct implications identified
- c) Other (Equalities, Staffing, Planning, Health & Safety, Environmental, Crime & Disorder)
No other implications identified

8.0 NEXT STEPS

- 8.1 After the CIL examination and once the Council is in a position to introduce the CIL charge, the Council will give notice of its intention to introduce any policy relating to discretionary relief and will publish details on its web-site. Members will be asked to agree the details of a proposed instalment policy when they consider /agree to the introduction of the charge, following the examination.

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Background Papers:
CIL Report - Planning Committee 7 May 2014
Community Infrastructure Levy Guidance DCLG February 2014

Background Papers are available for inspection at:
www.ryedale.gov.uk
www.gov.uk/dclg

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REPORT TO: FULL COUNCIL

DATE: 4 SEPTEMBER 2014

**SUBJECT: PART 'B' REFERRALS FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE ON 31 JULY 2014**

19 Treasury Management Annual Report 2013/14

Considered the report of the Finance Manager (s151).

Decision

That the following recommendations be made to Full Council:

- a. Note the Annual Treasury Management Report for 2013/14; and
- b. Approve the actual prudential and treasury indicators in the report.

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REPORT TO:	COUNCIL
DATE:	4 SEPTEMBER 2014
REPORT OF THE:	FINANCE MANAGER (s151) PETER JOHNSON
TITLE OF REPORT:	TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2013-14
WARDS AFFECTED:	ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The Council is required by regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003 to produce an annual treasury management review of activities and the actual prudential and treasury indicators for 2013/14. This report meets the requirements of both the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management (the Code) and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities (the Prudential Code).

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That Council is recommended to:
- (i) Note the annual treasury management report for 2013/14; and
 - (ii) Approve the actual 2013/14 prudential and treasury indicators in this report.

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The Council has adopted the Code. A provision of the Code is that an annual review report must be made to the Full Council relating to the treasury activities of the previous year.

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

- 4.1 There are significant risks when investing public funds especially with unknown institutions. However, by the adoption of the CIPFA Code and a prudent investment strategy these are minimised. The employment of Treasury Advisors also helps reduce the risk.

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT AND CONSULTATION

5.1 The Council has adopted the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management in Local Authorities and this report complies with the requirements under this code.

5.2 The Council uses the services of Capita Treasury Services Limited to provide treasury management information and advice.

REPORT

6.0 REPORT DETAILS

6.1 During 2013/14 the minimum reporting requirements were that the full Council should receive the following reports:

- An annual treasury strategy in advance of the year (Council 26 February 2013)
- A mid year (minimum) treasury update report (Council 9 January 2014)
- An annual review following the end of the year describing the activity compared to the strategy (this report).

In addition, treasury management update reports were received by the Policy and Resources Committee.

6.2 Recent changes in the regulatory environment place a much greater onus on members for the review and scrutiny of treasury management policy and activities. This report is important in that respect, as it provides details of the outturn position for treasury activities and highlights compliance with the Council's policies previously approved by Members.

6.3 This Council also confirms that it has complied with the requirement under the Code to give prior scrutiny to all the above treasury management reports by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee before they were reported to the full Council. Member training on treasury management issues was undertaken on 5 October 2011 in order to support Members' scrutiny role.

6.4 This report summarises:

- Capital activity during the year;
- Impact of this activity on the Council's underlying indebtedness (the Capital Financing Requirement);
- Reporting of the required prudential and treasury indicators;
- Overall treasury position and the impact on investment balances;
- Summary of interest rate movement in the year;
- Detailed investment activity.

The Council's Capital Expenditure and Financing 2013/14.

6.5 The Council undertakes capital expenditure on long-term assets. These activities may either be:

- Financed immediately through the application of capital or revenue resources (capital receipts, capital grants, revenue contributions etc.), which has no resultant impact on the Council's borrowing need; or
- If insufficient financing is available or a decision is taken not to apply resources, the capital expenditure will give rise to a borrowing need.

- 6.6 The actual capital expenditure forms one of the required prudential indicators. The table below shows the actual capital expenditure and how this was financed.

	2013/14 Actual (£)	2012/13 Actual (£)
Total Capital Expenditure	3,331,140	1,968,149
Resourced by:		
Capital receipts	320,836	0
Capital grants and contributions	1,884,635	532,034
Capital reserves	1,125,669	1,436,115
Total	3,331,140	1,968,149

Treasury Position as at 31 March 2014

- 6.7 The Council's treasury management and investment position is organised by the Finance Section in order to ensure adequate liquidity for revenue and capital activities, security for investments and to manage risks within all treasury management activities. Procedures and controls to achieve these objectives are well established both through Member reporting detailed in the summary, and through officer activity detailed in the Treasury Management Practices. At the beginning and the end of 2013/14 the Council's treasury position was as follows:

	31 March 2014 (£)	31 March 2013 (£)
Internally Managed Investments	4,910,000	5,750,000
Total	4,910,000	5,750,000

- 6.8 The maturity of the investment portfolio was as follows;

	31 March 2014 (£)	31 March 2013 (£)
On-call Investments	60,000	50,000
Fixed Term Deposits:		
Repayable within 1 month	0	0
Repayable 1 month to 3 months	2,850,000	3,200,000
Repayable 3 months to 6 months	500,000	1,500,000
Repayable 6 months to 12 months	1,500,000	1,000,000
Repayable 12 months to 24 months	0	0
Total	4,910,000	5,750,000

- 6.9 Investments were placed with the following institutions:

Type of Institution	31 March 2014 (£)	31 March 2013 (£)
UK Clearing Banks	4,910,000	5,750,000
Foreign Banks	0	0
Building Societies	0	0
Local Authorities	0	0
Total	4,910,000	5,750,000

The Strategy for 2013/14

6.10 The Treasury Management Strategy for 2013/14 was approved by members at full Council on 26 February 2013.

6.11 The expectation for interest rates within the strategy for 2013/14 anticipated no movement in the Bank rate within the year, the first anticipated increase being in Q1 of 2015. This forecast rise has now been pushed back to a start in Q3 of 2015.

The Economy and Interest rates

6.12 The financial year 2013/14 continued the challenging investment environment of previous years, namely low investment returns, although levels of counterparty risk had subsided somewhat.

6.13 Economic growth (GDP) in the UK was virtually flat during 2012/13 but surged strongly during the year. Consequently there was no additional quantitative easing during 2013/14 and Bank Rate ended the year unchanged at 0.5% for the fifth successive year. While CPI inflation had remained stubbornly high and substantially above the 2% target during 2012, by January 2014 it had, at last, fallen below the target rate to 1.9% and then fell further to 1.7% in February. It is also expected to remain slightly below the target rate for most of the two years ahead.

6.14 The Funding for Lending Scheme, announced in July 2012, resulted in a flood of cheap credit being made available to banks which then resulted in money market investment rates falling drastically in the second half of that year and continuing into 2013/14. That part of the Scheme which supported the provision of credit for mortgages was terminated in the first quarter of 2014 as concerns rose over resurging house prices. The UK coalition Government maintained its tight fiscal policy stance but recent strong economic growth has led to a cumulative, (in the Autumn Statement and the March Budget), reduction in the forecasts for total borrowing, of £97bn over the next five years, culminating in a £5bn surplus in 2018-19

6.15 The EU sovereign debt crisis subsided during the year and confidence in the ability of the Eurozone to remain intact increased substantially. Perceptions of counterparty risk improved after the ECB statement in July 2012 that it would do “whatever it takes” to support struggling Eurozone countries; this led to a return of confidence in its banking system which has continued into 2013/14 and led to a move away from only very short term investing. However, this is not to say that the problems of the Eurozone, or its banks, have ended as the zone faces the likelihood of weak growth over the next few years at a time when the total size of government debt for some nations is likely to continue rising. Upcoming stress tests of Eurozone banks could also reveal some areas of concern.

Compliance with Treasury Limits

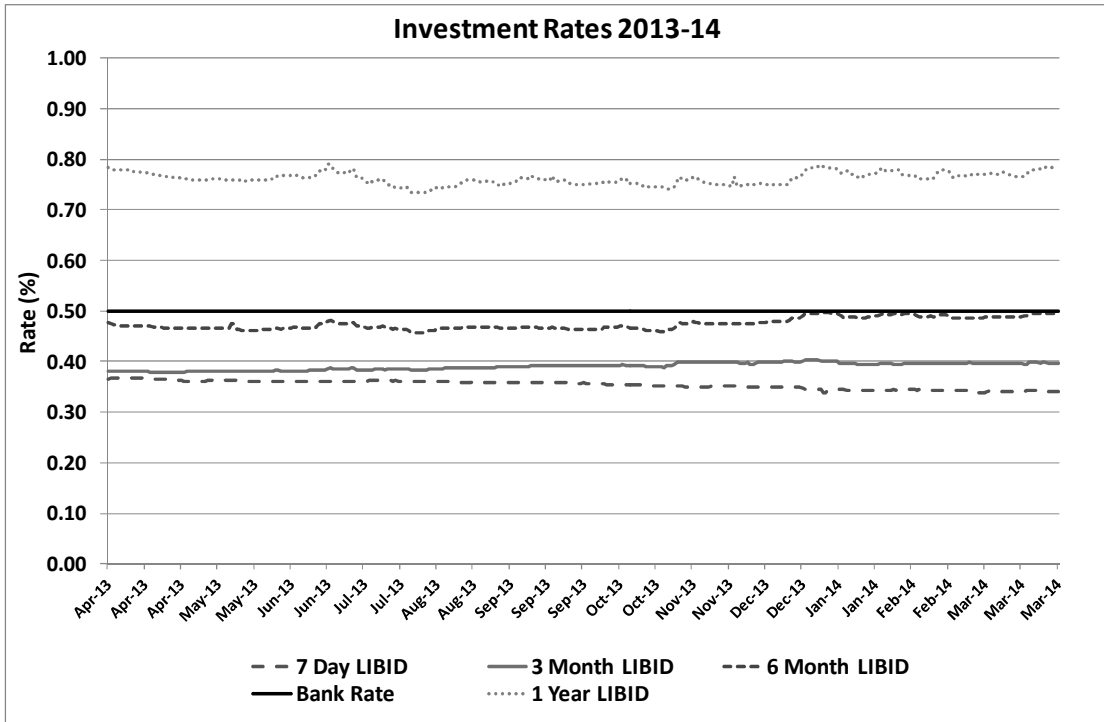
6.16 During the financial year the Council operated within the treasury limits and Prudential Indicators set out in the Council’s Treasury Management Strategy Statement (annex B).

6.17 The Council has no long-term borrowing and there were no temporary borrowing transactions in the year. However, the Council has a number of lease agreements that were initially entered into as operating leases but following the implementation of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) are now reclassified as finance leases. As a consequence the Council does not have a nil Capital Finance Requirement.

Investment Rates in 2013/14

6.18 Bank Rate remained at its historic low of 0.5% throughout the year; it has now remained unchanged for five years. The Funding for Lending Scheme resulted in deposit rates remaining depressed during the whole of the year, although the part of the scheme supporting provision of credit for mortgages came to an end in the first quarter of 2014.

6.19 The summary below shows the movement of investment rates in 2013/14:



Investment Outturn for 2013/14

6.20 The Council's investment policy is governed by DCLG guidance, which was been implemented in the Annual Investment Strategy approved by the Council on 26 February 2013. This policy sets out the approach for choosing investment counterparties, and is based on credit ratings provided by the three main credit rating agencies supplemented by additional market data (such as rating outlooks, credit default swaps, bank share prices etc).

6.21 The investment activity during the year conformed to the approved strategy and the Council had no liquidity difficulties.

6.22 The following table shows the result of the investment strategy undertaken by the Council and the relative performance of the internally managed funds against the 7-day LIBID un compounded rate bench mark:

	Average Investment (£)	Gross Rate of Return	Net Rate of Return	Benchmark Return
Internally Managed:				
Temporary & On-Call Investments	4,368,082	0.54%	n/a	n/a
Fixed Term Deposits	844,005	0.79%	n/a	0.35%

6.23 The interest received by the Council from investments and loans in 2013/14 totalled £64k; this compares to an original estimate of £90k.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The following implications have been identified:

- a) Financial
The results of the investment strategy effect the funding of the capital programme.
- b) Legal
There are no legal implications within this report
- c) Other (Equalities, Staffing, Planning, Health & Safety, Environmental, Crime & Disorder)
There are no additional implications within this report.

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Background Papers:
None

TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2013-14 - RISK MATRIX – ANNEX A

Issue/Risk	Consequences if allowed to happen	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation	Mitigated Likelihood	Mitigated Impact
Credit risk - associated with investing with financial institutions that do not meet the credit rating criteria.	Could mean loss of principal sum and interest accrued.	2	D	In response to the economic climate the Council have adopted a more stringent credit rating methodology.	1	D
Market risk - Selection of wrong type of investment for higher return.	The poor performance of the chosen investment.	3	B	The number of investment options have been kept to a minimum within the investment strategy.	3	B
Liquidity risk - Use of fixed term deposits and / or instruments / investments with low marketability may mean a lack of liquidity	Unable to take advantage of better investment options. Funds are unavailable to cover capital spend.	1	B	The maturity profile has shortened for investments. The 2011/12 Investment Strategy reduced the period for non- specified investments and full Council agreed to continue with this policy in 2013/14.	1	B

Score	Likelihood	Score	Impact
1	Very Low	A	Low
2	Not Likely	B	Minor
3	Likely	C	Medium
4	Very Likely	D	Major
5	Almost Certain	E	Disaster

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PRUDENTIAL AND TREASURY INDICATORS

Prudential Indicators

	2012/13 Actual	2013/14 Original	2013/14 Actual
Capital Expenditure	£1.968m	£4.084m	£3.331m
Ratio of financing costs to net revenue stream	1.31%	2.69%	1.80%
Net borrowing requirement	-£5.405m	-£2.351m	-£4.708m
Capital Financing Requirement as at 31 March	£0.295m	£2.327m	£0.254m
Annual change in Capital Financing Requirement	-£0.178m	£2.032m	-£0.041m
Incremental impact of capital investment decisions			
Increase in council tax (band D) per annum	N/a	£4.15	N/a

Treasury Management Indicators

	2012/13 Actual	2013/14 Original	2013/14 Actual
Authorised Limit for external debt -			
borrowing	N/a	£20.0m	N/a
other long term liabilities	N/a	£1.0m	N/a
Total	N/a	£21.0m	N/a
Operational Boundary for external debt -			
borrowing	N/a	£5.0m	N/a
other long term liabilities	N/a	£0.3m	N/a
Total	N/a	£5.3m	N/a
External debt	£0m	£2.070m	£0m
Upper limit for fixed interest rate exposure			
Net principal re fixed rate investments	N/a	100%	N/a
Upper limit for variable rate exposure			
Net principal re variable rate investments	N/a	50%	N/a
Upper limit for total principal sums invested for over 364 days (per maturity date)	N/a	£1.0m	N/a

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ORGANISATION

REPRESENTATIVES 2014/2015

Community Leisure Board of Management

Councillor JD Fraser

No substitutes permitted

Community & Police Consultation Groups:

Malton – Norton East (Rural)

Councillor E Hope

Substitute: **Vacancy**

Malton – Norton West (Rural)

Councillor E Hope

Substitute: **Vacancy**

Malton - Norton (Town)

Councillor Mrs EL Shields

Substitute: **Vacancy**

Pickering

Councillor Mrs L Cowling

Substitute: **Vacancy**

Helmsley and Kirkbymoorside

Councillor S Arnold

Substitute: **Vacancy**

Harrison Collection Trust

Councillor Mrs J Frank

Substitute: **Vacancy**

Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty - Joint Advisory Committee

Councillors J Hicks &

C R Wainwright

Substitute: **Vacancy**

Joint Helmsley Development Plan Member Working Group

Councillors S Arnold, Mrs J Frank & G E Hawkins

No substitutes permitted

Lady Lumley's Facilities Management Committee
Local Government Yorkshire and the Humber

Councillor Mrs JE Sanderson

Substitute: **Vacancy**

Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive

Local Government North Yorkshire & York (formerly ANYC)

Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive

Local Government Association - SPARSE

Councillor S L Collinson

No substitutes permitted

Local Government Association General Assembly

Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee

No substitutes permitted

Malton & Norton Area Partnership Board

Councillor J D Fraser

Substitute: **Vacancy**

Malton Sports Centre

Councillor J D Fraser

Committee	Substitute: Vacancy
Milton Rooms Management Committee	Councillor G Acomb Substitute: Vacancy
North York Moors Historical Railway Trust Council	Councillor J R Raper Substitute: Vacancy
North York Moors National Park Authority	Councillors J R Bailey and Mrs J Frank (In accordance with the Environment Act these appointments stand for the full term of the Council)
North Yorkshire Building Control Partnership	Councillors J R Raper Substitute: C R Wainwright
North Yorkshire County Council – Scrutiny of Health Committee	Councillor J R Raper Substitute: Councillor Mrs Shields
North Yorkshire County Council - Ryedale Area Committee	Councillors Mrs L Cowling, R Wainwright, and E Hope. Substitutes: Councillor G Acomb and Mrs C Goodrick
North Yorkshire Procurement Partnership – Joint Procurement Committee	Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee Substitute: Vice Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee
North Yorkshire Strategic Housing Board	Councillor Mrs C Goodrick Substitute: Vacancy
Old Meeting House Trust	Councillor S Arnold Substitute: Vacancy
Parking and Traffic Regulations outside London (PATROL)	Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee
Police and Crime Panel	Councillor E Hope No substitutes permitted
Reserve Forces & Cadet Association for Yorkshire & the Humber	Councillor E T Legard Substitute: Vacancy
Ryedale Cameras in Action Management Committee	Councillor E Hope Substitute: Vacancy
Ryedale Citizens' Advice Bureau	Councillor Mrs C Goodrick Substitute: Vacancy

Ryedale Housing Forum	Councillors J C Clark, B Maud, Mrs L Cowling and Mrs C Goodrick Substitute: Vacancy
Ryedale Strategic Partnership Board	Leader of the Council
Ryedale Tourism Advisory Group	Councillor Mrs J Frank Substitute: Vacancy
Ryedale Voluntary Action	Northern - Councillor G Acomb Central - Councillor Mrs AD Hopkinson
Ryedale Community Transport – Ryecat Project	No substitutes permitted Councillor G Acomb Substitute: Vacancy
Ryedale YMCA Board of Management	Councillor S Arnold and Housing Services Manager Substitute: Vacancy
Safer Ryedale Delivery Team	Councillors B Maud and E Hope Substitute: Vacancy
Vale of Pickering Internal Drainage Board	3 Vacancies Substitute: Vacancy
Welcome to Yorkshire Annual General Meeting	Councillor J Windress Substitute: Vacancy
North Yorkshire and York Spatial Planning and Transport Board	Councillor Mrs L Cowling Substitute: Vacancy
Yorkshire & Humber Employers' Committee (now called Local Gov)	Councillor G Acomb Substitute: Vacancy
Yorkshire & Humberside Pollution Advisory Council	Chairman and Vice Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee
Yorkshire Energy Partnership Ltd	Councillor G Acomb Substitute: Vacancy

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NOMINATIONS MADE AT ANNUAL COUNCIL 15 MAY 2014

Community Leisure Board of
Management

Community & Police

Consultation Groups:

Malton – Norton East (Rural)

Malton – Norton West (Rural)

Malton - Norton (Town)

Pickering

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Councillor Mrs E Shields

Councillor Mrs A Hopkinson

Councillor J Andrews

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Councillor S Arnold

Councillor S Ward

Councillor Mrs J Frank

Councillor Arnold

Councillors J Hicks & C R Wainwright

Councillor Mrs J Frank

Councillors S Arnold, Mrs J Frank &
G E Hawkins

Councillor L Richardson

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North York Moors National Park Authority

www.northyorkmoors.org.uk

Reporting on the National Park Authority's work in 2013 and its plans for the future

THE YEAR IN PROFILE

IT IS a top priority for us to raise the profile of the North York Moors, nationally as well as locally. The number and variety of articles in the national press and increased social media presence in 2013 helped to achieve this aim.

Last year also saw the North York Moors host the Association of National Park Authorities Conference. This brought together representatives from all 15 of the UK's National Parks and partner organisations to take a closer look at the landscape of these treasured places, what it means to people and how it inspires.

We were delighted that Rt Hon Owen Patterson MP, Secretary of State for Defra, not only opened the conference but also presented the Authority with a National Apprenticeship Award for Medium Apprenticeship Employer (Yorkshire & Humber). This is the second year we have won this award and we have also been listed in the Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers in the country for three years running.

Representatives from the York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise



Accessibility still a top priority

Partnership attended the Secretary of State visit and were impressed by the Authority's work on apprenticeships and how prominent the role of landscape is in the local economy.

Our Disability Advisory Group celebrated ten years of working with the Authority to ensure that not only our services, but the National Park itself, is as accessible as possible and we achieved full compliance in Customer Service Excellence, the Government's standard in recognising organisations that provide a good and responsive service to customers. This is the seventeenth consecutive year that we have achieved this, or its equivalent, award.



Apprenticeship award for second year

A meeting to determine an application for a second potash mine in the North York Moors was deferred at the applicant's request. The Authority is now working with York Potash Ltd under a new Planning Performance Agreement towards the submission of a new application.

Derek Statham, National Park Officer for the North York Moors National Park for 20 years, died in January. He will be very much missed.

One of Derek's ideas, the ground-breaking Farm Scheme, came to an end after more than 20 years of offering support and funding to farmers in the North York Moors. It was a pioneering scheme that had a big impact on the area's wildlife and landscape but had become largely superseded by national schemes. Grants for landscape and biodiversity work are still a priority for the Authority and we launched a number of new and ambitious grant schemes that are already proving to be popular.

The Moorsbus Network also came to an end; a high-profile casualty of the substantial belt-tightening that the Authority is having to undertake in light of extensive cuts to funding. Following the announcement of further cuts to our core grant for 2015/16 (bringing the total to over 40% in real terms), we are currently reviewing staffing levels and services again to meet the forecasted shortfall.



Ground-breaking farm scheme: a legacy to be proud of

If you have any comments on this report or any aspect of the Authority's work, please get in touch at feedback@northyorkmoors.org.uk or call **01439 772700**.

Looking back — 2013 to 2014

● Work to strengthen the brand of the North York Moors continued with a new plan for Promoting the Park and the launch of a Green Traveller Guide. The North York Moors Tourism network now numbers over 400 people. Free to join, the network offers those who work in tourism and related businesses resources to attract people to the area.

● The highly successful North York Moors, Coast & Hills LEADER Programme finished. It saw £5.3million (including match-funding) invested in projects that supported 172 settlements in the LEADER area.

● Our aim is to engage with every child within ten miles of the National Park at least once during their time at school. The Education Team have met every primary school child in the 26 schools within the National Park plus the 36 schools within a couple of miles of the boundary. In addition they have engaged with pupils from 27 out of 36 neighbouring secondary schools.

● Around 700 volunteers carried out 9,000 days work, including helping to look after footpaths and bridleways, caring for wildlife and habitats, surveying historic buildings, giving information and assistance to visitors, running events, looking after our visitor centres, gallery and other visitor facilities.

● We welcomed over 180,000 people to Sutton Bank and The Moors National Park Centres.

● We gave over £55,000 in grants to conserve heritage buildings within the North York Moors including four grants for Buildings at Risk and eight Conservation Area Enhancement Grants. Thanks to this funding and working with partners including Natural England and English Heritage, eight buildings were removed from the at risk register.



● We have restored or enhanced 28 hectares of species-rich grassland through our Habitat Connectivity—Linking Landscapes project. Maintaining, improving and connecting the areas of quality grassland in the North York Moors is a big priority in the National Park Management Plan.



● The Community Access Project came to an end having worked with 20 communities to improve rights of way between villages. Over three years, the project worked with 122 local people to enhance 37 miles of easy access routes including installing new gates, seats and bridges.

● We were very pleased that the Government decided to exempt National Parks from changes to permitted development rights.

● The Authority's planning enforcement team achieved a number of successful prosecutions concerning damage to listed buildings – a finite and irreplaceable part of the area's heritage. While legal action is a last resort, in the interest of fairness to the vast majority who do abide by planning policies, we take action against harmful unauthorised development.

● Thanks to continued funding from English Heritage, we were able to take 25 scheduled monuments off the at risk register. Work included bracken control on prehistoric boundaries and burial sites in Wykeham Forest and medieval pillow mounds (artificial rabbit warrens) in Douthwaite Dale.

● Working with North Yorkshire County Council, we secured funding from the Department for Transport Local Sustainable Transport Fund to reinstate rights of way in the Esk Valley that have become overgrown or difficult to access. The Missing Links project is part of a wider scheme to boost sustainable tourism in Whitby and the Esk Valley which includes a park and ride site in Whitby and associated bus services into the town and to villages in the Esk Valley.

● A £10,000 grant from the Forestry Commission was used to fell 6.7 hectares of conifer plantation in the Newtondale SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest) which will be planted with native broadleaved trees in 2014/15.

● A further 3,020 metres of traditional farm hedgerow have been planted at strategic locations along the Heritage Coast to ensure connectivity of habitats within the coastal landscape. This makes up part of the total of 16,820 metres (or 10.5 miles) of new coastal hedgerow grant aided over the last five years – that's 110,000 hedgerow plants!



● New grants: The Traditional Boundary Scheme offers landowners funding to restore or create drystone walls and hedgerows; the Community Grant supports small scale local projects and the Tourism Fund encourages joint working to promote the area. The Authority will be running these schemes again in 2014/15 along with grants for connectivity projects and work to restore ancient woodland sites.

Looking forward — 2014 to 2015



● We will continue our work to protect the built heritage of the North York Moors by consolidating 13 buildings at risk including the Ionic Temple at Duncombe Park (pictured), three temples at Nawton Towers, disused lime kilns in Old Byland, way marker stones on Goathland Moor and a range of farm buildings throughout the National Park.



● A survey of breeding waders such as curlew, lapwing and snipe (pictured) will be undertaken and, with the help of volunteers, we will survey and monitor species rich grassland in the National Park. The monitoring will help measure the effects of management work and enable us to make any necessary changes to benefit the habitat and our wider connectivity work.

● We are expecting three major planning applications connected to the mining of potash this year. Two are due from York Potash Ltd, for the development of a new mine near Whitby and a tunnel to move the product to Teesside. Cleveland Potash Ltd has applied for a new building to cater for increased production of polyhalite, the same form of potash that York Potash is hoping to exploit. Planning Officers will devote a huge amount of time and effort to understanding and processing these applications properly.

● Thanks to funding from Prior Pursglove College, we will introduce a new team of apprentices to gain experience on projects in the north of the National Park. Funding from Ryedale District Council will enable us to offer our first ICT apprenticeship.

● We will work with communities, the two Local Enterprise Partnerships that cover the National Park and others to develop a new LEADER Programme for the wider North York Moors area stretching from Saltburn to Malton, that, if successful in its bid to Defra for funding, will take effect from 2015.



● We will continue to raise the profile of the North York Moors. Today we no longer think of this as just being the National Park but the wider area and, in particular, the market towns which play a central role in maintaining a vibrant economy and cultural scene. We will work with a wide range of businesses and run A 'Lost Sheep in Pink Jerseys' campaign to encourage people to visit the area and explore different places.

● We will continue to work with woodland managers throughout the National Park on priority Planted Ancient Woodland Sites (PAWS) to improve woodland flora and fauna.

● A new minibus outreach project will provide transport for those without a car to enable them to visit the North York Moors.

● Our work with communities and partners to secure funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund for the 'This Exploited Land' project will continue. The project focuses on the importance of the pioneering ironstone and railway heritage of Grosmont and Rosedale.

● Following approval from the National Park Authority, affordable homes should be built at Helmsley (five units), Runswick Bay (eight units), Egton (ten units) and Eskdaleside (12 units). We will continue to argue for effective national policies in this area.

● The Authority will lead on the development of a new Heritage Coast Management Plan for the 2015 - 2020 period. The plan will focus on promoting the natural and built environment to benefit the economy while continuing to manage the coast sustainably.

● We will work with various user groups to consider the future management of some of the green lanes within the North York Moors National Park.

Judging our performance



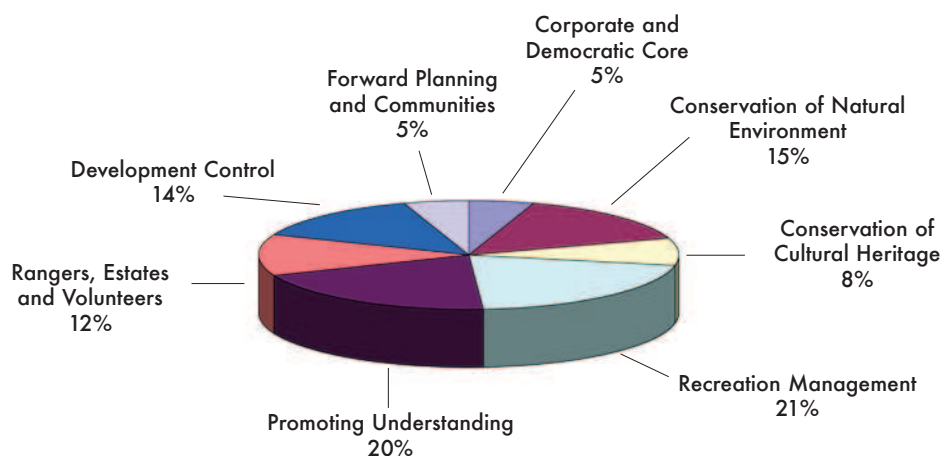
We set high standards of customer service and performance that are measured and monitored through a variety of indicators, including the headline indicators shown below. If you have any suggestions about issues you'd like to see measured, please email them to feedback@northyorkmoors.org.uk or write to the address below.

FUNCTION	INDICATOR	2013/14		TARGET MET	PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT ON 2012/13	TARGET 2014/15
		TARGET	ACTUAL			
Conservation	Percentage of National Park managed in line with NPA conservation objectives	79%	79%	☺	↔	79%
	Net annual change in area of National Park managed in line with NPA conservation objectives	+699ha	+76ha	☹	↑	+623ha
Recreation	Percentage of footpaths and other Public Rights of Way: • That are easy to use by the public	85%	81%	☹	↔	85%
	• Signposted where they leave a road	95%	91%	☹	↔	95%
Visitor services	Satisfaction rating for users of 'promoting understanding' services (Visitor Centres, Website, Education and Events)	90%	94%	☺	↑	90%
Planning	Planning applications determined in 8 weeks	80%	81%	☺	↑	80%
	• Minor applications in 8 weeks	65%	81%	☺	↑	65%
	• Other applications in 8 weeks	80%	83%	☺	↑	80%
	• Percentage of appeals dismissed (average over 4 years)	67%	58%	☹	↓	67%
	Planning cost per head of population (gross cost)	£32.22	£31.84	☺	↓	£31.51
Access to our services	Performance for answering: • Telephone calls personally within 5 rings	98%	97%	☹	↔	98%
	• Correspondence within 10 working days	98%	97%	☹	↑	98%
	Percentage of our meetings and events that are accessible by public transport	60%	77%	☺	↑	60%

Actual 2013/14

Between April 2013 and March 2014 the Authority spent £6.8million. The majority of this income came from Government with additional funding from external partners such as Natural England, Heritage Lottery Fund and English Heritage as well as earned income from fees and charges.

Please note these figures have yet to be audited and may change.



RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNCIL – 15 MAY 2014

Appointment of Member Champions

The following list details the current appointees.

<u>Subject/Service</u>	<u>Member</u>
Children & Young People	Councillor Mrs Sanderson
IT	Councillor Ives
Older People/Adult Safeguarding	Councillor Collinson
Equalities	Councillor Walker
Staff Issues	Councillor Walker
Waste Management	Councillor Richardson
Parish/Town Councils	Councillor Acomb
Sport & Physical Recreation	Councillor Fraser
Health & Safety Enforcement	Councillor Hope

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