

Scrutiny Review of the Councils Role in Flood Management considered by Council on 8 December 2016 - link to final report	
Recommendations as agreed by Council	
1. That RDC commits £12,000 funding (up to a maximum of 20%) to resource a project manager to progress delivery of the Malton, Norton and Old Malton Flood Study project and drive partnership working, and seeks match funding from the partners of the Malton and Norton Project Group	The Malton, Norton and Old Malton Project Team meets as part of the ongoing commitment to deliver outcomes to the community as responsible flood risk management authorities. NYCC have commissioned consultants to make progress with the MN and OM flood study which may identify the need for additional PM support.
2. RDC commits £2.5k (20%) funding towards a CCTV monitoring survey to understand the drainage system in Old Malton.	See above as this survey will be included in the work being commissioned by NYCC and RDC will make the agreed contribution to this.
3. That Natural Flood Management (NFM) considerations should be integral to all local flood management solutions and that RDC continues to facilitate links across the various partners and interested stakeholders endorsing a whole catchment approach	The Yorkshire Derwent Partnership Board are currently developing a whole catchment area set of plans with specific delivery task groups in place to achieve outcomes eg Ryevitalise and a RDC rep attends, with a key objective of these projects being to develop natural flood management solutions.
4. That RDC allocates a sum of £50,000 to a grant fund to support local flood solutions which will be allocated through Resources Working Party (similar to the arrangements for the allocation of Community Grants) where the criteria for allocation will also be agreed. Town and Parish Councils would be eligible to apply (including Malton and Brawby), as should any fully constituted community group, with any grant conditional on the preparation of a Community Resilience Plan to ensure sustainability and linkage to NYCC and other flood risk management partner organisations. Any contribution RDC makes towards a local solution involving equipment is on the basis that: a) The community group or parish council engage with NYCC to set up a community resilience group (CRG) with a Community Resilience Plan (CRP)	<p>All Parish and Town Councils have been informed of the availability of grant funding to support local flood solutions. Work is continuing, with several meetings already planned, to support the development of projects which may be eligible and to ensure links to NYCC and community resilience plans.</p> <p>Communities are being invited to submit an expression of interest in grant funding to enable the development of solutions with support from the relevant authorities.</p> <p>The formal application process is currently being developed.</p>

<p>b) The CRG undertake training and take responsibility for deploying and insuring the pump with sign off from NYCC</p> <p>c) That the Resources Working Party make recommendations to the Policy & Resources Committee on the grant applications for this fund, and that the criteria be similar to that used for the Community Grant applications ie;</p> <p>i. Grant must not exceed £5000.00 or 25% of the total cost - whichever is the lowest</p> <p>ii. Grants up to £1000 may be 100% of the total cost.</p> <p>iii. In certain circumstances the above criteria may be waived if it is felt that an application will be of exceptional benefit to a community.</p> <p>5. That the above spending be funded from the New Homes Bonus Reserve</p>	
<p>6. That Council may consider that funding be allocated from the New Homes Bonus towards the funding gap of £1.8m of the approved GiA scheme for the alleviation of flooding in Malton, Norton and Old Malton. That any contribution should be to a maximum of 20% of the funding gap.</p>	<p>The further work commissioned by NYCC to progress the M, N and OM Study will provide more detailed costings to inform future stakeholder engagement to bridge the funding gap.</p>
<p>Scrutiny Review of Assets - link to final report considered by Council 8.10.16</p>	
<p>Recommendations - As agreed by Council</p>	
<p>The Council policy on the management of property assets is as follows:</p> <p>Vision:</p> <p>To optimise the use of the Councils property assets in supporting the delivery of the Councils priorities and delivering best value and value for money for the residents of Ryedale</p>	<p>A new asset management strategy is being developed by officers to enable the delivery of this policy.</p> <p>The Chief Executive reassured Members that officers would not dispose of any major assets without coming back to Council if the policy was adopted.</p> <p>Member Briefing 11 January 2017 linking the budget and assets.</p>

<p>Policy:</p> <p>To achieve best value from each property asset by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occupying an asset for the efficient delivery of Council services or • Renting to another to generate revenue income for the Council or • Disposing of any asset which achieves neither of the above and which could generate a receipt for the Council <p>Principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To optimise the use of operational assets • That fewer operational buildings is lowest cost and lowest risk to service delivery • To manage the councils estate to achieve the best social, economic and environmental benefit for the communities of Ryedale • To dispose of underutilised assets • To acquire assets that would support the finances of the Council and delivery of the Council priorities • That the proceeds of the sale of any of the assets be used to support the delivery of the Council's priorities. • For disposal of any Council owned asset used for car parking, decisions should be made in the context of a car parking policy. 	
<p>Scrutiny Review of Fuel Poverty in Ryedale - Link to final report</p>	
<p>Recommendations – To Council</p>	
<p>1. That the Council should in future refer to fuel poverty as affordable warmth. Fuel poverty is the problem to be addressed and affordable warmth is the outcome to be achieved.</p>	<p>These recommendation have been discussed at Resources Working Party and a business case was requested for the stock condition survey. A report was considered by P and R on the 31 March 2016</p>

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. That the Council should continue to report on both of the fuel poverty indicators for Ryedale when reporting on the delivery of the Councils Business Plan 3. That the Council should continue to prioritise increasing wage levels in Ryedale by creating the conditions for economic success 4. To continue to challenge the assumptions made about those most likely to be affected by fuel poverty and continue to lobby for support for solutions which work in rural communities, and for all vulnerable households including young families, and anyone who is socially isolated. 5. To agree the funding for a stock condition survey for all property in Ryedale to provide the data to support the development and targeting of future initiatives to improve affordable warmth throughout the district. 	<p>with recommendations may then made to Council. It was resolved that Recommendations 1-5 were agreed and also that, in relation to the recommendation 5, the cost of commissioning a stock control survey be kept to a minimum whilst upholding statutory obligations.</p> <p>The White Rose Home Improvement Agency has led to the development of the Well Being Service, Handyman Service, the delivery of Disabled Facilities Grants (DFGs) and the amalgamation of the Choices for Energy Service. Funding from Public Health has supported improvements to homes to reduce fuel poverty. Through Warm & Well in North Yorkshire we have developed the Cold Snaps Warm Homes project involving the thermal imaging of 3 villages in Ryedale. An updated stock condition survey will be completed in 2016/17.</p>
<p>To Planning Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Council should be seeking new development to be built to the highest current codes for design and construction, lowering energy demand, encouraging occupants to reduce their energy use and supporting the use of renewable and/or low carbon sources. 2. To train members of the planning committee in the application of the energy hierarchy to new development and existing buildings. 	<p>Energy efficiency is an ongoing consideration by members of the committee for decisions they make and in any decisions delegated to officers.</p> <p>This is incorporated into the mandatory training for members of the planning committee and also as part of member briefings on the Ldf policy framework.</p>
<p>To Management Team:</p>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That officers should pursue the routes for accessing the Energy Performance Certificate data, and analysis of the policy implications of the insight provided. 2. To develop a concise set of questions, along the line of 'every contact counts', to help front line staff to identify those who 	<p>Management team have discussed the recommendations and recommendation one will be resolved following the decision on the stock condition survey, as analysis the EPC data will form part of the work undertaken.</p>

<p>are living in a cold home. Identify key staff and timing for a pilot and link to North Yorkshire Winter Health Strategy and ensure action is taken to help any household to achieve affordable warmth.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. To gather any self-reported data on the location and incidence of fuel poverty through contact made with front line staff. 4. That officers should explore the feasibility of warm healthy homes type project in partnership with public health and stronger communities, to reduce social isolation and help to connect people - 'Warm communities' and 'winter champions'. 5. Make sure we communicate the key facts about keeping warm affordably at the right time of year to our residents, annually. 	<p>Management Team will develop a response to recommendations 2 and 3 as part of the service redesign being undertaken as part of the Towards 2020 programme as this has a focus on designing services to meet customer needs.</p> <p>The fourth recommendation will be addressed following the stock condition work , if this is agreed by Council, as it is being recommended that the health impact Assessment work is included in the survey of stock condition. This will then inform any future programmes to address the health impact of cold homes and social isolation.</p> <p>See response to 4 above.</p>
<p>Scrutiny Review of Members Involvement in Outside Bodies and as Member Champions - Link to final report</p>	
<p>Scrutiny Review of the Role the Council Should play in Supporting the Voluntary and Community Sector Link to final report</p>	
<p>Scrutiny Review of Post Offices 2010-11 Link to final report</p>	