

Chief Executives' Group – North Yorkshire and York
16 March 2012 at County Hall, Northallerton
Minutes and action points

1	Present and apologies	Action
	<p>Present:</p> <p>Richard Flinton North Yorkshire County Council (chair) Jim Dillon Scarborough Borough Council Janet Waggott Ryedale District Council Martin Connor Selby District Council Paul Shevlin Craven District Council Rachel Bowles Harrogate Borough Council (on behalf of Wallace Sampson) Tim Madgwick North Yorkshire Police Nigel Hutchinson North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service Kate Tayler North Yorkshire and York Forum Chris France North York Moors National Park Authority (on behalf of Andy Wilson) also representing Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (on behalf of David Butterworth)</p> <p>In attendance:</p> <p>Neil Irving North Yorkshire County Council Paddy Chapman North Yorkshire County Council Graham North North Yorkshire County Council Juliette Daniel North Yorkshire County Council Colin Dales Chief Officers Housing Group Gary Fielding North Yorkshire County Council John Moore North Yorkshire County Council Deborah Hugill North Yorkshire County Council (secretariat)</p> <p>Apologies:</p> <p>Wallace Sampson Harrogate Borough Council Kersten England City of York Council Andy Wilson North York Moors National Park Authority David Butterworth Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority Jayne Brown NHS North Yorkshire and York</p>	
2	Minutes of last meeting – 3 November 2011	Action
	The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record.	
3	Matters arising	Action
	It was noted that Len Cruddas is now Chief Executive of Leeds, York and North Yorkshire Chamber of Commerce.	

4	Major incident Response Team (MIRT)	Action
	<p>Paddy Chapman, MIRT manager, explained the background of the volunteer team and why it was set up in 1991. Members bring a range of professional skills and will work across the county and the city of York to support frontline response staff or members of the public after an incident has taken place. She explained the need to recruit new members to the team and that training was due to take place in September. It was agreed that she would approach individual organisations with a view to attending senior management teams to explore the mutual benefits of releasing staff volunteers to this valuable resource.</p>	PC
5	Strategic rail issues for North Yorkshire	Action
	<p>Graham North, NYCC Rail Policy Officer, explained the current issues for rail in the county with a view to working together to take advantage of opportunities and developing a co-ordinated approach to raising concerns.</p> <p>One current issue is decentralisation about which a consultation is currently running. Dependant upon the outcome, there may be more opportunity to influence regional issues locally.</p> <p>High speed rail is another area where developments are taking place and there are early discussions about how to open North Yorkshire up to the high speed route.</p> <p>Graham explained the importance of including strategic rail issues in local development frameworks and it was agreed that he will approach district and borough councils and national park authorities with a view to working together on this issue.</p>	GN
6a	Community plan updates – Providing older and vulnerable people with a range of choice for their accommodation, care and support needs	Action
	<p>Juliette Daniel, Head of Extra Care for North Yorkshire County Council and Colin Dales, Chief Officers Housing Group, presented a paper suggesting key indicators to monitor progress in this area.</p> <p>Juliette is currently identifying sites for 30 further extra care developments and will be working with a private sector partner to deliver mixed tenure solutions. She would be very interested to speak further to members of the group about the potential for sites in their areas.</p>	All
6b	Community plan updates – Delivering a high quality broadband service	Action
	<p>Gary Fielding and John Moore, North Yorkshire County Council, provided an update about current progress including the procurement exercise.</p>	

	<p>They highlighted a number of issues which they felt that the group could help with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encouraging the progression of community projects, particularly in Hambleton, Richmondshire, Scarborough and Selby • Communication of Go ON North Yorkshire, the campaign to encourage increased use of the internet. This is modular and can be adapted to suit any geographic location. • The need to manage expectations and to take collective responsibility when delivering messages that communities might find unpalatable • Suggestions for increasing the circulation of the Connecting North Yorkshire newsletter <p>It was agreed that increasing internet use and coverage would enable more innovative service from partners and the support of the Connecting North Yorkshire project was appreciated. Suggestions in relation to communications included town and parish council liaison meetings, area committees and district councillors.</p>	
6c	Community plan updates – Communities where multiple deprivation exists	Action
	<p>Neil Irving presented a paper proposing that partners work together to develop pilots to tackle multiple deprivation in identified communities in the county as set out in the North Yorkshire Community plan. The intention is to use work already being carried out across the county to inform these pilots. No additional resources are available to support these pilots, the aim being to target current resources more effectively in partnership and to ensure that this is monitored through the group.</p> <p>After discussion it was agreed that the two geographical communities identified in the paper, Selby North and Skipton South, be the focus for pilots and that in addition parts of Scarborough borough be included in the pilot. Neil Irving to discuss with Jim Dillon what the areas to be included would be. It was also identified that health issues needed to be linked into work being carried out in the Harrogate district. Mental health issues were particularly highlighted and this was suggested as a topic for a future meeting of this group.</p> <p>It was agreed that Neil would contact the relevant Chief Executives with a view to establishing task and finish groups to develop initial project plans for consideration at the September 2012 meeting of the group, with an interim report at the May 2012 meeting. Initial work will include looking at data, such as the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Joint Strategic Intelligence Assessment, in order to inform the pilots. Those working on current projects across the county will be kept informed of progress.</p>	<p>NI</p> <p>DH</p> <p>NI</p>

6d	Community plan updates – Capacity building – Active Communities project	Action
	Kate Tayler outlined the project and the work which had been carried out to support the transfer of certain libraries into community ownership. Active Communities is now in a position to take on new projects and the group were asked to identify those where they felt support was needed. Richard Flinton praised the work of the project and commended it to the group. There was disappointment expressed that obvious candidates for support work were not already coming forward, and it was noted that more general work building capacity in local communities was more likely to be an issue in some areas than removal of service provision. Kate confirmed that the project should be flexible enough to support this if the relevant communities can be accurately defined.	All
7	LGNYY meeting 25 May 2012	Action
	Suggestions for agenda items were discussed and it was felt that a further item on the police and crime commissioner would be beneficial.	
8	Sub-regional collaboration on infrastructure mapping and planning	Action
	A short update was received. There is good engagement from partners and progress is being made. This will be an item on the LGNYY meeting in May and will be considered in more detail at the next meeting of the group.	
9	CLG integration strategy	Action
	Neil Irving presented a summary of the recently published CLG strategy on achieving a more integrated society. It was agreed that this would be picked up as part of the wider Contest strategy.	
10	Revised arrangements for sharing personal data	Action
	A paper on changes to arrangements for sharing personal data was received. It was agreed to apply the Information Commissioner's data sharing code of practice directly to current and future data sharing agreements in place of the General Framework agreed by the North Yorkshire Strategic Partnership (NYSP) which was declared redundant.	
11	Partnership conference	Action
	Deborah Hugill updated the meeting on feedback from the conference in November 2011 and plans for the 2012 conference (18 October). There was a discussion about the future of the conference and it was noted that the voluntary and community sector value it as an opportunity to influence decision making in North Yorkshire at a strategic level. There was a discussion about maximising opportunities to engage with people who attend the conference by having a question and answer session after lunch for the voluntary and community sector. Workshop themes were	

	suggested, as was the consideration of using the Harrogate International Centre as a venue in future.	
12	Any other business	Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Flinton reported that he had been approached by the York and North Yorkshire Probation Trust about joining the group. After discussion it was decided to retain the current membership but to offer the Probation Trust the opportunity to attend a meeting in future to discuss relevant issues. • Impacts of cut in council tax benefit – this was discussed and it was agreed that the wider political significance and impacts need to be considered. It was decided to suggest this as an item for the LGNYY meeting in May. 	
13	Date and time of next meeting	Action
	Thursday 10 May 2012 2.30 – 4.30 pm County Hall, Northallerton	