

# North Yorkshire Partnerships

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## **North Yorkshire Wider Partnership conference**

### **Collaboration in the community**



**Friday 27 October 2023**

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# Delegate pack

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**27 October 2023**  
**Pavilions of Harrogate**

<b>09:15</b>	Registration and market place	Refreshments available in the Wharfe Room.
<b>10:00</b>	Welcome	<b>Cllr Carl Les</b> , Leader, North Yorkshire Council
<b>10:05</b>	Building community wealth through economic collaboration	<b>Sarah Longlands</b> , CLES (Centre for local economic strategies)
<b>10:25</b>	From common sense to common practice - putting relationships first	<b>Neil Denton</b> , The relationship Project/Durham University
<b>10:45</b>	Q&A Session	
<b>11:00</b>	Workshop sessions	Teas and coffees served in workshop areas
<b>12:05</b>	<b>North Yorkshire Community Awards</b> Announcement of winners and presentation of awards	<b>Neil Denton</b> and Cllr David Ireton, Chair, North Yorkshire County Council
<b>12.45</b>	Summing up and close	<b>Cllr Carl Les</b>
<b>12:55 – 14:00</b>	Lunch, networking and market place	Lunch served in the Wharfe Room

## Today's speakers are:

### **Councillor Carl Les – North Yorkshire Council**

County Councillor Carl Les is Leader of North Yorkshire Council and represents the Catterick Village and Brompton on Swale division. His background is in hospitality and hotel management.

He is Chairman of the North Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel and sits on various boards representing the Council, especially the Local Enterprise Partnership.

Previous roles have included Council Member of the North Yorkshire Learning and Skills Council, Director of Business Link York and North Yorkshire, and Board Member of the Yorkshire Pantry. Carl is active in the voluntary sector as a school governor, trustee of North Yorkshire Youth and Mid North Yorkshire CAB, and a director of the Wensleydale Railway.



### **Sarah Longlands, CLES (Centre for local economic strategies)**

Sarah is the Chief Executive of CLES, the Centre for Local Economic Strategies which is a charity and think tank which works towards national economic change through local delivery. Sarah is an advocate for investment in local public services and the creation of places which enable people to live good lives. Before joining CLES in 2021, Sarah was Director of IPPR North, the dedicated think tank for the North of England. She began her career in local government, which included a many happy days working in economic development for North Yorkshire County Council. She has a PhD in Urban Studies from the University of Glasgow.



### **Neil Denton, The Relationship Project / Durham University**



Neil believes there is an energy within disagreement and conflict that can be a powerful force for positive change. He helps communities in conflict to find ways to reduce violence, increase justice, solve real life problems and strengthen human relationships. He is an Independent Community Mediator, an Associate with the Relationships Project, co-founder of the After Disasters Network and a Professor in Practice at the Institute of Hazard, Risk and Resilience, Durham University. He works to find ways that place communities at the heart of our thinking and doing, and to explore and demonstrate how the principles and practices of conflict transformation can be beneficial to disaster prevention, response and recovery. He also spends time swimming and attempting to create the perfect roast potato.

**North Yorkshire Wider Partnership conference 2023**  
**Delegate list**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Workshop</b>
<b>A</b>		
Philippa Abbott	North Yorkshire Council	
Cllr.Chris Aldred	North Yorkshire Council	6
Rachel Allen	North Yorkshire Citizens Advice and Law Centre	3
Sally Anderson	North Yorkshire Council	2
Marilyn Anthony	Keep Filey Tidy	3
Jan Arger	CPRE North and East Yorkshire	5
Hilary Ashton	Community First Yorkshire Ltd	4
Karen Atkinson	North Yorkshire Council	4
<b>B</b>		
Abi Baron	North Yorkshire Council	3
Lilla Bathurst	Ripon Business Improvement District	6
Karl Battersby	North Yorkshire Council	2
Fiona Bell-Morritt	Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership	6
Jane Bentley	Skipton Step into Action	3
Steve Biggs	Just the Job Environmental Enterprise Ltd	2
Will Boardman	North Yorkshire Council	5
Joanne Bogan	Brimhams Active	3
Helen Bourner	Harrogate & District Community Action	3
Amanda Bowers	Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner	
Christine Brass	Better Connect	6
Alison Brown	Foundation	5
Beki Bulmer	North Yorkshire Together	
John Burroughs	North Yorkshire Council	5
Jo Bussey	Ripon Cathedral	1
Penny Butcher	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB	1
<b>C</b>		
Catherine Cannell	Broadacres Housing Association	2
Shanna Carrell	North Yorkshire Council	4
Paul Carswell	North Yorkshire Council	5
Cllr. David Chance	North Yorkshire Council	4
Paddy Chandler	North Yorkshire Council	2
Lizzie Clapham	Community First Yorkshire	1
Paul Cliff	North Yorkshire Council	2
Verena Clouston	Just the Job Environmental Enterprise Ltd	
Cllr.Liz Colling	North Yorkshire Council	1
Jane Colthup	Community First Yorkshire	1
Elizabeth Copas	Crutch Outreach	
Freya Cox	Ripon Cathedral	
Angela Crossland	North Yorkshire Council	4

Lada Cuinu	Healthwatch North Yorkshire	4
George Cull	North Yorkshire Sport	1
Peter Cummings	Malhamdale Environmental Group	2
<b>D</b>		
Dena Dalton	Community First Yorkshire	3
Claire Deiana	Foundation	5
Rebecca Denniff	Flash Company Arts CIC	5
Neil Denton	Durham University / The Relationship Project	6
Cllr. Caroline Dickinson	North Yorkshire Council	3
Jordan Dickson	North Yorkshire Council	
Ann Duncan	North Yorkshire Council	1
Rachael Durrett	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB	4
<b>E</b>		
Simon Eastwood	Colburn Community Support	4
Frances Elliot	Harrogate & District Community Action	1
<b>F</b>		
Cherelle Farrell	North Yorkshire Citizens Advice and Law centre	
Leon Fijalkowski	Orb Community Enterprise	1
Richard Flinton	North Yorkshire Council	
Stephen Flood	North Yorkshire Horizons	1
Helen Flynn	Nidderdale Plus Community Hub	6
<b>G</b>		
David Gluck	Tadcaster and Rural Community Interest Company	1
Liz Goulding	North Yorkshire Council	1
Amber Graver	North Yorkshire Council	5
Lesley Gray	North Yorkshire Council	4
Elizabeth Anne Green	North Yorkshire Council	
Ashley Green	Healthwatch North Yorkshire	3
Beth Grindrod	Foundation	
<b>H</b>		
Jeanette Hague	Community First Yorkshire	3
Ali Jan Haider	Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership	2
Amanda Hall	Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust	
Sheila Hall	North Yorkshire Council	1
Sgt Ben Hallewell	North Yorkshire Police	4
Adrian Hamilton	North Yorkshire Council	1
Nic Harne	North Yorkshire Council	5
Dr Gareth Harris		4
John Hart	Tees Valley Combined Authority	2
Cllr Paul Haslam	North Yorkshire Council	2
Emily Havercroft	Up for Yorkshire	1
Michelle Hayes	Resurrected Bites Community Interest Company	6
Hannah Heinemann	North Yorkshire Council	5

Claire Hetherington		2
Matt Hewison	North Yorkshire Council	3
Tom Hind	North York Moors National Park	5
Justine Hodgson	Up for Yorkshire - Riccall Regent Centre	3
Netta Hollings	Skipton Step Into Action	6
Jos Holmes	North Yorkshire Council	2
Carol Hudson	Carers Resource	3
Sharon Hudson	North Yorkshire Council	1
<b>I</b>		
Cllr.David Ireton	North Yorkshire Council	
<b>J</b>		
Anna Jackson	Avalon Group	5
Marie-Ann Jackson	North Yorkshire Council	1
Carolyn Jarvis	Environment Agency	6
Cllr David Jeffels	North Yorkshire Council	1
Richard Jemison		
Simon Jones	Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner	
<b>K</b>		
Alex Kelley	Better Connect	5
<b>L</b>		
Peter Lacey	Knaresborough Connectors	3
Graham Lai-Wood	North Yorkshire Horizons	6
Tim Lerner	Zero Carbon Harrogate	2
Tony Law	North Yorkshire Council	3
Grace Lawes	North Yorkshire Council	6
Cllr Carl Les	North Yorkshire Council	
Adam Lewis	YES Energy Solutions	
Oliver Lewis	Community Works	
Chris Lidgitt	Resurrected Bites	
Helen Littler	Healthwatch North Yorkshire	4
Liz Lockey	Hambleton Community Action	4
Sarah Longlands	Centre for Local Economic Strategies	1
Claire Lowery	North Yorkshire Council	
Amy Lynch	Cloverleaf Advocacy	
<b>M</b>		
Dora Machaira	North Yorkshire Council	4
Julie Marsay	The Tiger Trail Expressive Arts for Health & Wellbeing	
Jess Marshall	North Yorkshire Council	6
Karen Martin	SELFA	6
Max May	North Yorkshire Together	1
Charlotte McEvoy	Chain Lane Community Hub	6
Elizabeth McPherson	Carers Plus Yorkshire	3
Sue McVay	Home Start Richmondshire	1
Liz Meade	North Yorkshire Council	1
Tom Meares	Welfare Benefits Unit	6

Barbara Merrygold	North Yorkshire Council	4
James Metcalfe	North York Moors National Park Trust	1
Zoe Metcalfe	Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner	2
Mel Milner	New Beginnings	2
Graham Mitchell	Community Furniture Store (Selby) Ltd	5
Kathryn Morrison	North Yorkshire Council	
Simon Moss	North Yorkshire Council	1
Lucy Moss-Blundell	North Yorkshire Council	6
<b>N</b>		
Hannah Nash	Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner	
<b>O</b>		
Lindsay Oliver	New Beginnings Peer Support	5
Caroline O'Neill	Community First Yorkshire	6
<b>P</b>		
Sue Palin	Mashamshire Community Office	2
Stuart Parker	Easingwold District Community Care Association	6
Emma Pears	SELFA	6
Nicola Peet	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB	6
Joe Penny	North Yorkshire Council	6
Lisa Pope	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB	3
Julia Priestnall	North Yorkshire Citizens Advice & Law Centre	4
Fiona Protheroe	North Yorkshire Council	2
Hannah Prole	Better Connect	5
<b>R</b>		
Kirsty Ramsden	Foundation	5
Lee Rattray	RNIB	5
Vanessa Rayner	Carers' Resource	4
Bridget Read	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB	1
Debby Richardson	Glusburn Community and Arts Centre	1
Fiona Richardson	Open Country	1
Katy Ridsdill-Smith	York, Selby and Ryedale Community Furniture Stores & IT Reuse Project	5
Carole Roberts	Community First Yorkshire	4
Claire Robinson	North Yorkshire Council	2
Odette Robson	North Yorkshire Council	4
Kate Rogota	Supporting Older People	3
Alicia Rose	Healthwatch North Yorkshire	1
Andrew Rowe	North Yorkshire Council	5
Nicky Ruddick	Community First Yorkshire	1
<b>S</b>		
Michelle Saunders	North Yorkshire Council	1
Jo-Anne Scott	North Yorkshire Council	6
Kate Senior	North Yorkshire Council	2
David Shaftoe	Open Country	6
David Sharp	North Yorkshire Youth	1



David Sharrod	Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust	2
Cllr. Steve Shaw-Wright	North Yorkshire Council	5
Carol Shreeve	North Yorkshire Citizens Advice and Law Centre	4
Liz Small	North Yorkshire Council	1
Hazel Smith	North Yorkshire Council	3
Lily Smith	Healthwatch North Yorkshire	3
Jackie Snape	Disability Action Yorkshire	5
Neil Sparks	North Yorkshire Horizons	
Georgina Spencer	North Yorkshire Council	
David Stone	Coast and Vale Community Action	6
Faye Sunter	Changing Lives	5
Debbie Swales	Revival North Yorkshire CIC	3
Cllr Roberta Swiers	North Yorkshire Council	
<b>T</b>		
Ian Talbot	Tadcaster Volunteer Community Support Association	2
Katrina Talbot	Tadcaster Volunteer Community Support Association	3
Sidney Tambin	RNIB	5
Victoria Taylor	North Yorkshire Police	4
Diane Tymon	Sight Support Ryedale	2
<b>V</b>		
Sue Vasey	Chain Lane Community Hub	1
<b>W</b>		
Carly Walker	North Yorkshire Council	3
Louise Wallace	North Yorkshire Council	3
Angela Walmsley	Community Led Homes, North Yorkshire and East Riding	5
Cllr Arnold Warneken	North Yorkshire Council	2
Di Watkins	Easingwold District Community Care Association	3
Trevor Watson	North Yorkshire Council	5
Michael White	North Yorkshire Hospice Care	
Andrea Whitton	North Yorkshire Horizons	3
Simone Wilkinson	North Yorkshire Council	1
Helen William	North Yorkshire Council	4
Lynn Williams	North Yorkshire Council	2
Sarah Wilson	Skipton Step Into Action	3
Adele Wilson-Hope	North Yorkshire Council	3
<b>Y</b>		
Victoria Young	North Yorkshire Council	5

**Workshop 1 – Building community wealth****Room: Cover****Facilitators: Sarah Longlands, CLES, Marie-Ann Jackson, Liz Meade, Adrian Hamilton – NYC**

Vibrant communities have a strong sense of place, people are engaged in their community, they support local businesses, local community groups and most importantly each other. Community Wealth building is a new approach to economic development that harnesses local wealth in a community to increase investment in that community rather than relying on investment from elsewhere. It reorganises local economies to be fairer and stops wealth flowing out of communities, towns and cities, and instead places control of this wealth into the hands of local people, communities, businesses and organisations.

This workshop will include:

- Exploration of community wealth creation
- Examples of community wealth creation in practice
- Discussion of how we could develop community wealth building at a local level

**Participants**

Penny Butcher	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB
Jo Bussey	Ripon Cathedral
Cllr. Liz Colling	North Yorkshire Council
Jane Colthup	Community First Yorkshire
George Cull	North Yorkshire Sport
Ann Duncan	North Yorkshire Council
Frances Elliot	Harrogate & District Community Action
Leon Fijalkowski	Orb Community Enterprise
Stephen Flood	North Yorkshire Horizons
David Gluck	Tadcaster and Rural Community Interest Company
Liz Goulding	North Yorkshire Council
Sheila Hall	North Yorkshire Council
Emily Havercroft	Up for Yorkshire
Sharon Hudson	North Yorkshire Council
Cllr David Jeffels	North Yorkshire Council
Max May	North Yorkshire Together
Sue McVay	Home Start Richmondshire
James Metcalfe	North York Moors National Park Trust
Simon Moss	North Yorkshire Council
Bridget Read	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB
Debby Richardson	Glusburn Community and Arts Centre
Fiona Richardson	Open Country
Alicia Rose	Healthwatch North Yorkshire
Nicky Ruddick	Community First Yorkshire
Michelle Saunders	North Yorkshire Council
David Sharp	North Yorkshire Youth
Liz Small	North Yorkshire Council
Sue Vasey	Chain Lane Community Hub
Simone Wilkinson	North Yorkshire Council

## Workshop 2 – Communities collaborating towards net zero through community energy

Room: Aire

**Facilitators:** Jos Holmes, Fiona Protheroe, North Yorkshire Council

Community energy refers to the delivery of community-led renewable energy, energy demand reduction and energy supply projects, whether wholly owned and/or controlled by communities or through a partnership with commercial or public sector partners. Community Energy provides an opportunity to achieve co benefits whilst also reducing emissions.

This workshop will help us to identify how local communities can develop community energy approaches in the small to large scale and how we can best support that. The workshop will include:

- Information on the North Yorkshire Council Climate Change Strategy
- Outline of community energy and some local examples
- How can we collaborate to support community energy development?

### Participants

Sally Anderson	North Yorkshire Council
Karl Battersby	North Yorkshire Council
Steve Biggs	Just the Job Environmental Enterprise Ltd
Catherine Cannell	Broadacres Housing Association
Paddy Chandler	North Yorkshire Council
Paul Cliff	North Yorkshire Council
Peter Cummings	Malhamdale Environmental Group
Ali Jan Haider	Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership
John Hart	Tees Valley Combined Authority
Claire Hetherington	
Tim Lerner	Zero Carbon Harrogate
Zoe Metcalfe	Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner
Mel Milner	New Beginnings
Sue Palin	Mashamshire Community Office
Claire Robinson	North Yorkshire Council
Kate Senior	North Yorkshire Council
David Sharrod	Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust
Ian Talbot	Tadcaster Volunteer Community Support Association
Diane Tymon	Sight Support Ryedale
Cllr Arnold Warneken	North Yorkshire Council
Lynn Williams	North Yorkshire Council

## Workshop 3 – Ageing Well in North Yorkshire

**Room: Esk**

**Facilitators: Jeanette Hague** - Community First Yorkshire; **Carly Walker** - North Yorkshire Council

With an increasingly ageing population in North Yorkshire, we want to create places where age is not a barrier to living well, and where the environment, activities and services support and enable older people to have opportunities to live and enjoy healthy, independent and full lives in their communities.

This workshop will:

- Set out the results of the recent survey work undertaken with those over 50 years of age living in North Yorkshire, by Community First Yorkshire in conjunction with North Yorkshire's Public Health Team.
- Explore the survey results, and some of the opportunities and challenges for ageing well in North Yorkshire.  
Collectively discover how we can work collaboratively in our communities on this agenda

### Participants

Rachel Allen	North Yorkshire Citizens Advice and Law Centre
Marilyn Anthony	Keep Filey Tidy
Abi Baron	North Yorkshire Council
Jane Bentley	Skipton Step into Action
Joanne Bogan	Brimhams Active
Helen Bourner	Harrogate & District Community Action
Dena Dalton	Community First Yorkshire
Caroline Dickinson	North Yorkshire Council
Ashley Green	Healthwatch North Yorkshire
Matt Hewison	North Yorkshire Council
Justine Hodgson	Up for Yorkshire - Riccall Regen Centre
Carol Hudson	Carers Resource
Peter Lacey	Knaresborough Connectors
Tony Law	North Yorkshire Council
Elizabeth McPherson	Carers Plus Yorkshire
Lisa Pope	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB
Kate Rogota	Supporting Older People
Hazel Smith	North Yorkshire Council
Lily Smith	Healthwatch North Yorkshire
Debbie Swales	Revival North Yorkshire CIC
Katrina Talbot	Tadcaster Volunteer Community Support Association
Louise Wallace	North Yorkshire Council
Di Watkins	Easingwold District Community Care Association
Andrea Whitton	North Yorkshire Horizons
Sarah Wilson	Skipton Step Into Action
Adele Wilson-Hope	North Yorkshire Council

## Workshop 4 – Working together to respond to anti-migrant activity in North Yorkshire

### Room: Crimble

**Facilitators:** Dr Gareth Harris, an independent researcher/facilitator based in the UK, affiliated to the Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations at Coventry University supported by Lesley Gray, North Yorkshire Council, Sgt Ben Hallewell, North Yorkshire Police

As public concern over asylum has grown in political salience, anti-minority groups have increasingly sought to exploit concerns over asylum accommodation to further their own agendas. The activity of such groups can have a polarising effect on cohesion, community relations, and local democracy. The session will provide an overview of organised anti-migrant activity in the UK, explore how this plays out locally across North Yorkshire, and look at ways that practitioners can respond to concerns over asylum without amplifying the narratives of extremist actors. We will focus on how these groups are exploiting local asylum accommodation schemes that exist within local authorities. Throughout the workshop we will be raising the awareness of such groups and how communities and partners can work together to help build resilience against such activity.

### Participants

Hilary Ashton	Community First Yorkshire
Karen Atkinson	North Yorkshire Council
Shanna Carrell	North Yorkshire Council
Cllr. David Chance	North Yorkshire Council
Angela Crossland	North Yorkshire Council
Lada Cuiu	Healthwatch North Yorkshire
Rachael Durrett	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB
Simon Eastwood	Colburn Community Support
Helen Littler	Healthwatch North Yorkshire
Liz Lockey	Hambleton Community Action
Dora Machaira	North Yorkshire Council
Barbara Merrygold	North Yorkshire Council
Julia Priestnall	North Yorkshire Citizens Advice and Law Centre
Vanessa Rayner	Carers' Resource
Carole Roberts	Community First Yorkshire
Odette Robson	North Yorkshire Council
Carol Shreeve	North Yorkshire Citizens Advice and Law Centre
Victoria Taylor	North Yorkshire Police
Helen William	North Yorkshire Council

## Workshop 5 – A vision for housing in North Yorkshire: Challenges and opportunities

**Room: Swale**

**Facilitators: Victoria Young, John Burroughs, Hannah Heinemann** North Yorkshire Council

North Yorkshire Council is in the process of developing its new Housing Strategy for the next 5 years. Our Vision is to deliver: "Good quality, affordable and sustainable homes that meet the needs of all of our communities"

As part of the process of developing the new strategy, this will be your opportunity to discuss how to help shape that strategy and ensure that we deliver the right services to meet our challenges and realise our opportunities. The workshop will include:

- A discussion of the housing challenges in North Yorkshire
- Key themes and priorities
- Identify opportunities to effectively work together

### Participants

Jan Arger	CPRE North and East Yorkshire
Will Boardman	North Yorkshire Council
Alison Brown	Foundation
Paul Carswell	North Yorkshire Council
Lizzie Clapham	Community First Yorkshire
Claire Deiana	Foundation
Rebecca Denniff	Flash Company Arts CIC
Amber Graver	North Yorkshire Council
Nic Harne	North Yorkshire Council
Tom Hind	North York Moors National Park
Anna Jackson	Avalon Group
Alex Kelly	Better Connect
Lorraine Larini	North Yorkshire Council
Graham Mitchell	Community Furniture Store (Selby) Ltd
Lindsay Oliver	New Beginnings Peer Support
Hannah Prole	Better Connect
Kirsty Ramsden	Foundation
Lee Rattray	RNIB
Katy Ridsdill-Smith	York, Selby and Ryedale Community Furniture Stores & IT Reuse Project
Andrew Rowe	North Yorkshire Council
Cllr.Steve Shaw-Wright	North Yorkshire Council
Jackie Snape	Disability Action Yorkshire
Faye Sunter	Changing Lives
Sidney Tambin	RNIB
Angela Walmsley	Community Led Homes, North Yorkshire and East Riding.
Trevor Watson	North Yorkshire Council

## Workshop 6 – North Yorkshire: Let’s be Emergency Ready Together

**Room: Wharfe**

**Facilitators: Carolyn Jarvis** - Environment Agency, **Grace Lawes** - North Yorkshire Council

There are just under 620,000 people living within the boundaries of North Yorkshire Council, with an average age of 48 years old. They represent our friends, families, communities, workforces, culture and shared history – future and past, but what does resilience to emergencies look like to them? And how can the North Yorkshire Local Resilience Forum (NYLRF) work with you to help them better prepare, respond and recover from incidents and major emergencies? The workshop will consider:

- What is the NYLRF and what does it do?
- What role could we play to help build community resilience to emergencies?
- How can we build on and share the good practises already in place?
- What does “community resilience” mean in this context anyway?

Join the NYLRF Community Resilience project team and learn the answers to some of these questions, but more importantly, help us build a picture of how we might work with you as we look at ways to support North Yorkshire residents, businesses and communities prepare, respond and recover from emergencies.

### Participants

Cllr.Chris Aldred	North Yorkshire Council
Lilla Bathurst	Ripon Business Improvement District
Fiona Bell-Morrith	Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership
Christine Brass	Better Connect
Helen Flynn	Nidderdale Plus Community Hub
Michelle Hayes	Resurrected Bites Community Interest Company
Netta Hollings	Skipton Step Into Action
Graham Lai-Wood	North Yorkshire Horizons
Jess Marshall	North Yorkshire Council
Charlotte McEvoy	Chain Lane Community Hub
Tom Meares	Welfare Benefits Unit
Lucy Moss-Blundell	North Yorkshire Council
Caroline O'Neill	Community First Yorkshire
Stuart Parker	Easingwold District Community Care Association
Emma Pears	SELFA
Nicola Peet	Humber and North Yorkshire ICB
Joe Penny	North Yorkshire Council
Karen Martin	SELFA
Jo-Anne Scott	North Yorkshire Council
David Shaftoe	Open Country
David Stone	Coast and Vale Community Action

## Community awards finalists 2023

From visiting elderly and isolated people to manning phone lines, from running community libraries to organising cultural events; community organisations and individual volunteers make a huge contribution to many lives across North Yorkshire. The 2023 **North Yorkshire Community Awards** recognise and celebrate voluntary work carried out by people and organisations countywide.

The award categories are as follows:

- Best community group
- Volunteer of the year
- Caring for the environment

The North Yorkshire Council community awards will be awarded at the conference. This year there were a total of 147 nominations for 123 different groups and individuals.

The finalists are:

### Best community group

**Neurodiverse Community Catterick** - *Run by a team of Neurodivergent volunteers and parent carers. They support military and civilian families within and around Catterick Garrison and engaging further afield in North Yorkshire. . They focus on mental health, inclusion, equality, advocacy, training, employment support for young adults, support with paperwork and creating inclusive groups to meet others who are alike. They support with preparing for adult hood; understanding the transition that will come.*

**Reeth And District Community Transport** -*Offer shopping days and day trips out to places of interest. However, they realised that transport wasn't the only thing that their elderly community needed. They now also deliver prescriptions weekly, organise get togethers to promote good mental health and set up an Open Minds group, which is like a youth club for the elderly. They have organised a healthy eat class, a gentle walking group, picnics at the vicarage and an afternoon tea group.*

**Skipton Step Into Action** *Set up in response to the Covid-19 Pandemic, run by, and for, local people. They have a large volunteer base and grassroots community reach, providing inclusive community services and activities. They offer one to one befriending support, run a number of wellbeing projects to support group based activities, including Nurturing Growth offering gentle nature based mindful group activities and exercise for wellbeing; Step Into Action Wellbeing Hub & Cafe out of hours provision offering snacks/light meals, art activities, games, health checks, guest speakers/demos along with support & signposting. In April 2023 they launched a volunteer transport & wheelchair accessible transport service for the Skipton & South Craven communities, responding to the closure of the previous service in the area.*



## Volunteer of the year

**Kendra Davies** - Kendra volunteers at Gallows Close Centre which has many different events and activities on. She has provided, pie and peas and an afternoon tea for a community bingo afternoon, helped organise, decorate and be in the kitchen for community summer fairs and halloween parties, and cooks and hands out hundreds of free lunches to children on low incomes in the holidays. She joins in with the knit and natter group, youth clubs and has also become a member of the Barrowcliff big local to help have more input in community ideas and is always on hand simply if anybody pops in for a chat which was especially helpful during the winter when she was part of the community centres warm hub and ready with a hot drink.

**Colin Etherington** - After 23 years of volunteering in many sectors for Age UK North Craven, Colin now volunteers weekly at our Coffee & Chat group. He entertains with quizzes, games, poetry and life stories. He is also a volunteer for Dementia Forward.

**Anne Galloway** Anne is one of the voluntary trustees of Settle Swimming Pool. She has main responsibility and oversight of the staffing and management aspects of the pool. This has been particularly important during the reopening of the pool in October 2022 and the almost complete change of paid staff. She also takes a key responsibility for the running of the charity shop which runs entirely on volunteer input. Anne organises the rota, runs the shop sub-committee with fellow trustees and maintains an overview of the stock and its organisation.

## Caring for the environment

**Circular Malton and Norton** - Circular Malton and Norton has set out a vision to become Yorkshire's first circular market town. Their first town initiative - to collect the local inedible commercial food & bio waste and transfer it to a community anaerobic digester has secured wide spread support from local residents, businesses and councillors and is now at final planning permission stage. Their second initiative was developed specifically to enable every resident to be able to engage with ways to make a difference to climate change. Ryedale Remakes is a town centre upcycling shop & workshop that provides a highly visible and participative way in which people can divert waste from landfill to keeping items in circulation and become inspired to do more. This sees volunteers repurposing donated household items, while encouraging and upskilling others to refurbish and upcycle for themselves. So far having saved over 400 items, their unique gifts are bought from the shop and the funds reinvested in running upcycling skills workshops from crocheting to woodwork and more.

**Richmond School Eco Club** - Richmond School Eco Club is a student-voice led group, who meet weekly to work on improving 3 main targets in the school grounds: Reducing energy usage 2. Improving Biodiversity 3. Reducing waste. The pupils have taken part in many different activities across the year in order to achieve their targets and this culminated in achieving 'Green Flag' status. These activities range from litter picking to volunteering days at Foxglove Covert Nature Reserve, to planting wildflowers and making bird feeders out of plastic bottles. The main event this year was planting over 400 trees on the school site that were donated by the Woodland Trust

**Sustainable Swaledale** - Sustainable Swaledale is a small four-year old volunteer-only organisation, caring for the environment by coordinating projects that connect people with nature via practical enhancement and sustainability projects. There are currently four projects: a tree-planting project that

has expanded to include a tree nursery and woodland monitoring; a swift, swallows and martins project erecting bird boxes and collecting population data, and a meadow and wildflower restoration project. The projects overlap to provide a coherent whole for biodiversity and community engagement. A fourth project addresses local food growing and sharing.

The judges also decided to award a **'Highly Commended'** certificate to the following nominees

**Resurrected Bites-** Aim to reduce food waste and food poverty. They work with local businesses and suppliers to divert good quality food from landfill. Instead, they convert it into meals in their pay-as-you-feel cafes and provide it to families through their community groceries scheme. The members of the community grocery are also offered support via their Work Club, budgeting courses, signposting and cookery courses.

**Tadcrafters** - Tadcrafters aims to engage people to get involved within the local community by carrying-out activities which support a range of charities and worthy causes as well as promote biodiversity and reduce waste. They run crafting and woodworking groups, a beekeeping group and a gardening group in Tadcaster, as well as a Sherburn crafting group. They also support local Afghan and Ukrainian refugees and take an active part in lots of other community activities. They create kits and projects for volunteers to sew and knit and liaise with individuals and local interior design companies to collect their surplus fabric which they re-purpose.

**Lynn Smith** - Lynn volunteers for a number of charities/ services within including Skipton Foodbank (now the Trussell Trust) sorting and distributing food parcels and working with the local Morrisons to support with their food donations; Skipton Step Into Action, Volunteer transport; befriending duties including shopping/errand running; visiting the lonely and isolated and friendly phone calls to those who don't want visits; she supports regularly at the Step Into Action Wellbeing projects and on joint ventures with Rotary Club Skipton Craven and Rotary Club Skipton raising funds for local needs. She also volunteers for Dementia Forward in the local area.

**Jean Walling** - Jean has volunteered with Richmondshire Early Help in various groups, from Breastfeeding support groups to Youth clubs for over 10 years. Prior to covid, Jean was supporting several groups a week. In her current role Jean volunteers at Youthability, a youth group for young people with special educational needs and disabilities.

**Kirkbymoorside Environment Group** The group started in 2006 and since then the group has undertaken a wide range of activities to help the environment including:

- Supporting the Moorsbus public transport network, which enables greener travel choices for tourists and local people to and around the North York Moors.
- publishing local town guide to show where items can be locally bought, assisting local businesses to thrive and reduces travel outside the area.
- managing their tree nursery and husbandry of local trees and hedges in conjunction with Kirkbymoorside Town Council. Other related activities include coppicing, haymaking and the laying of new hedges.

- *Repair cafes where the public is invited to bring along faulty items for repair free of charge and Give or Take Days.*

**PALS with Trowels** - *PALS with Trowels was established with the aim of enhancing the opens spaces in Burton in Lonsdale for the enjoyment of all. This work has grown from bulb planting to developing and maintaining an orchard, picnic site and wildlife area on what was formerly scrubland adjacent to the River Greta. To assist with funding the group hold regular plant sales at the village hall, selling plants grown by group members and donated by villagers. In 2022 the Pals started a 'book café' in the village hall. Held bi-monthly on a Saturday morning in the village hall this café, selling bacon buns and cakes gives village residents the opportunity to meet and to exchange books free of charge using surplus funds to support PALS projects. The group also organises the village open garden scheme which takes place every two years.*

**For more details of the work carried out by the finalists visit the North Yorkshire community awards stand at the back of the Aire room.**

## Exhibition area information – Wharfe Room



**Avalon Group** is a Yorkshire charity supporting adults with learning disabilities, mental health needs, autism and dementia to live fulfilling lives in their communities. We provide support at home and in the community including support to work, volunteer, socialise, enjoy life and maximise independence. Avalon also offers a Shared Lives service, where trained carers open their homes to provide short and longer term support to adults with support needs.



**Better Connect** is a Knaresborough-based non-profit organisation that aims to create a Yorkshire where every person is empowered to thrive in their life and work. Founded in 2007, the organisation has an established track record of leading successful partnership projects and working with a wide range of locally based partners in the heart of communities. Better Connect partner with organisations across all sectors, with a particular focus and specialism of supporting and strengthening organisations from the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector. They believe that locally rooted organisations with a strong social mission who work in effective partnership with others have the biggest impact on individuals and communities. Our stalls will showcase some of the programmes we manage and the opportunities we have for you to work with us both now and in the future!



**Brimhams Active** is a Community Health and Wellbeing company. We will provide information about our Health and wellbeing Hubs, Leisure and wellness Centres, Little Explorers nursery and our Active Health programme which offers activities and programmes for Long term health conditions, social connection and food share opportunities.



**Carers' Resource** exists to support unpaid carers. We provide information, advice and support to carers, to the people they care for and to professionals who work with them. Our service ranges from emotional support to benefit application advice and also signposting to specialist organisations. We provide support in a variety of caring related areas including adult carers, young carers, a free sitting service to give carers time off and hospital to home transition support. We also have many groups for carers specific to the person they care for, such as parent carers, dementia, mental health and male carers.



**Cloverleaf Advocacy** is an independent charity, and all our services are free and confidential for those who need us. Cloverleaf have delivered Statutory and Non-Statutory Advocacy for over 25 years and have a team of highly-trained advocates available to help people across the North Yorkshire area. In North Yorkshire, Cloverleaf deliver Care Act Advocacy (CAA), Independent Mental Health Advocacy (IMHA), Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy (IMCA), Relevant Persons Representative (RPR), Independent Health Complaints Advocacy (IHCA) and Non-Statutory Advocacy. We can help people to find information, understand and uphold their rights, consider their options, get the support they need, speak up about the issues that matter to them.



**Community First Yorkshire** We are the rural community council for North Yorkshire, providing advocacy for rural communities and parish councils. We also provide practical support to voluntary and community organisations, and social enterprises in North Yorkshire primarily through 1:1 support but also through our networks, projects, training and other services. Information will include leaflets on our Community Support North Yorkshire service; online volunteer directory - looking for volunteers and wanting to volunteer; Community Led Housing, Older People's Network, Employment Advice Service etc.



**Community Led Homes North Yorkshire and East Riding** promotes community led housing as a viable housing delivery option to all potential residents, communities and partners throughout the North Yorkshire. We are the central point of information for the development of all forms of community led housing. We deliver activities and workshops to interested communities. We are ambassadors for community led housing, locally, regionally and nationally. We hope to develop a pipeline of community led homes throughout the region, the majority of which would be affordable homes to enable the sustainability of rural and market town communities and support existing services to create new opportunities.



**Community Works.** We will promote our wide range of support services that cover Thirsk and Richmond. These include employability support, welfare and wellbeing groups, dementia day-care services and car scheme.



**CPRE North and East Yorkshire,** as a volunteer-led charity, focuses on the promotion, protection, and enhancement of North and East Yorkshire. We believe in a countryside that's nature-rich, accessible and plays a crucial role in responding to the climate emergency. We seek a countryside that enriches all of our lives, nourishes our wellbeing, and that we, in turn, protect and celebrate.

Crutch Team



**Crutch Outreach** are a Christian Outreach based in Northallerton, offering help and support to anyone in need and cover a wide geographical area. We offer daily meals, help with homelessness, those in poverty, addictions, women's outreach, parenting and family support, drop ins, groups eg wellbeing cafe, breakfast club, outings, healthy eating and budgeting. We also offer clothing bank, and the provision of furniture and household goods.

**Foundation** offers supported accommodation to vulnerable 16-25 years olds across North Yorkshire who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. We provide supported accommodation services in hostels and dispersed flats, staff offer support with independent living skills, tenancy management and accessing other support services.

**Healthwatch North Yorkshire** is your health and social care champion. We work to make sure NHS leaders and other decision makers hear your voice and use your feedback to improve care. If you use GPs and hospitals, dentists, pharmacies, care homes and other support services in your area, we want to hear about your experiences. Stand will include information about Healthwatch North Yorkshire, recent published reports on health and social care issues and information on upcoming projects. There will also be the opportunity for attendees to feedback on their experiences of health and social care services.

**Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board/Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership.** Representing regional health and care system leaders the stand will promote our public facing health and wellness campaign - Let's get better - with a seasonal focus on vaccination and winter wellness.

**Just the Job** provide a unique service in Richmond providing meaningful work based activities for individuals requiring help and support to achieve their full potential in life. Just the Job is a charity based in Richmond North Yorkshire located on the Gallowfields Trading Estate. We have 3 industrial units which consist of an office, arts and crafts room with kitchen, gardening equipment store, wood processing machinery and carpentry workshop with breakroom. We also have a 3-acre Community Orchard and Horticultural site. We have steadily grown to provide a wide range of activities for people from around Richmond and the Dales. Always looking for ways to improve and become an exemplar of community services we have taken on the task of building a new bespoke centre to accommodate ourselves and other local charities



**New Beginnings Peer Support** is a peer-led after-crisis domestic abuse service for women and their children who have previously been subjected to domestic abuse. We offer long-term tailored support including 1:1 and group peer support sessions, emotional resilience tools, donations of food, clothes, toys and household items, goal finding and setting, education and training support, signposting and supported introductions to other services, family activities, family wellbeing packs and a client to volunteer pathway. Further information can be sought from [enquiries@newbeginningspeersupport.com](mailto:enquiries@newbeginningspeersupport.com). In addition to this we have recently launched the Own My Life 12 week course for women 18+ and are also soon to launch the DAY programme, for any sex / gender 11+ for further details of these including taster sessions for professionals please contact [kirsty@newbeginningspeersupport.com](mailto:kirsty@newbeginningspeersupport.com)



**Nidderdale Plus Community Hub** provides a wealth of local services to residents of Nidderdale and the Washburn Valley. We would have information on our stand about our various services including minibus days out and group hire, digital champion service, befriending service, meals on wheels, charity shop, community transport service and more.



**The North York Moors Trust** is a small independent registered charity. We work with people and communities within the National Park and surrounding areas to provide equal opportunity to access and connect with nature and enjoy the associated health and wellbeing benefits. Through those connections the Trust promotes the importance of conserving the natural environment and supporting resilience building by empowering people to participate in projects that protect, restore, and enhance the North York Moors and the wildlife it supports.



**North Yorkshire Citizens Advice & Law Centre:** We deliver services across all of North Yorkshire providing the advice people need for the problems they face, whoever they are and whatever the problem. Our specialist advice services cover debt, benefits, fuel poverty and energy, housing, discrimination and family issues. The people we support are five times more likely to be on low incomes and 55% have a disability or long term health condition. Many are in crisis by the time they reach out to us, unable to see a way out of the situation they find themselves in, for example facing eviction or unable to afford to top up their meters. We help them find a solution to their immediate issues and develop the skills to address similar situations if they arise again through specialist one to one advice and support provided by experienced and qualified advisers and highly skilled volunteers. Last year, we helped

21,568 people address 104,779 issues, leading to £17,316,772 in income gain and £2,483,613 of debt written off. As a result, 85% of people said that as a result of our advice they could now see a way forward and 86% would recommend us to family and friends. In 2022/23 for every £1 invested in our organisation we added £31.30 in public value (e.g. improved participation and productivity) and £10.63 in value for the people we help (e.g. income gained, debts written off or consumer problems resolved).



#### **North Yorkshire Council - Adult Learning Service**

As key providers of community based education and with an emphasis on engagement, the adult learning services (and our work as co-ordinators of Multiply) is keen to use its funding to empower communities and individuals to upskill / reskill and overcome barriers



#### **North Yorkshire Council – North Yorkshire Shared Prosperity Fund**

will provide information on the PF Decarbonisation Programme; Advice, Technical Support and Grants of up to £50,000 are available for community groups, town and parish councils and businesses in North Yorkshire.



#### **North Yorkshire Council – Libraries**

North Yorkshire Libraries work with local communities to deliver library services across the county. Our stall would highlight the range of services on offer and the resources we can provide; for example Wellbeing Bags and Self Care Toolkits to support health and wellbeing; Bookstart Early Years packs and other materials to promote literacy and learning; IT buddies to support digital access; online resources, coding kit and downloads to support learning; Home Delivery Services to reach out to housebound people and space to run events and activities for all ages, to bring communities together.



#### **North Yorkshire Council – Public Health**

The public health stall will provide information about seasonal health and Generic Public Health / Health Protection.



**North Yorkshire Horizons** is the Adult Drug and Alcohol support service for North Yorkshire, our aim is to help as many people as possible to be free from drug and alcohol dependency. We want to reduce the harm caused to individuals, families and communities. Using flexible, wraparound services we support to reduce or end substance misuse and rebuild lives. We work with people from the start of their recovery journey right through to aftercare to help maintain the changes.





### **North Yorkshire Hospice Care**

Herriot Hospice Homecare, Just 'B' and Saint Michael's Hospice are part of North Yorkshire Hospice Care, an independent charity powered by local communities. Together, our remarkable family of services offer vital hospice care, emotional wellbeing and bereavement support to many communities living across Harrogate, Hambleton and Richmondshire.



### **North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner.**

We will be offering attendees the chance to come over and find out more about the Commissioner's Office, what we do and the services we provide the North Yorkshire and York Public.



### **North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership**

support and enable local organisations and agencies to work together to ensure children are safeguarded and their welfare is promoted. We look to seek early identification and analysis of emerging safeguarding issues and emerging threats, as well as promote and embed learning throughout the partnership. The market stall will be an opportunity to access safeguarding resources, ask any questions you may have about how the partnership can support your organisation, as well as at develop further partnership links in the voluntary and community sector.

[www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk](http://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk)



**North Yorkshire Together** is a partnership between North Yorkshire Sport, North Yorkshire Youth and Rural Arts. We support communities across the county to feel happy and healthy. As a partnership of three cross-sector, cross county organisations, our partnership provides a robust, unique and far-reaching framework and delivery model to make real change across North Yorkshire. We believe firmly in our shared values, and the art of the possible. Since 2021, North Yorkshire Together has delivered FEAST, the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme in North Yorkshire, on behalf of North Yorkshire Council, funded by the Department for Education. HAF programmes enable children on benefits-related Free School Meals to access food and enriching activities during the Easter, Summer and Christmas holidays. North Yorkshire Together collaborates with 100+ brilliant community-based organisations from across the VCSE, educational and private sector, to deliver tens of thousands of free spaces – and meals – on FEAST each year. We also deliver a project funded by Anglo-American and Woodsmith Foundation to support young people in Scarborough and Whitby to realise their potential.



**Open Country** is a local charity that seeks to enable people with disabilities to access and enjoy the countryside. With our Head Office based in Harrogate, we run a wide variety of regular outdoor activities in several areas of North Yorkshire, including Harrogate, Ripon, Selby and York. We also offer training, publications, information and advice on improving inclusive countryside access for everyone.



**Resurrected Bites.** We prevent good quality food from going to waste and use it to feed people through community cafes and community groceries. We want to raise awareness in order to: Build our network of referral agencies as we know there are still many who do not know what we can offer to help people who are in food poverty or are lonely. Build our network of food suppliers so that we can prevent as much food as possible from going to waste and reduce the amount of food we are needing to buy to meet demand.



**Ripon Cathedral** is at the heart of the North Yorkshire community. We work closely with a range of charities including the Walled Garden, YMCA, Jenny Ruth workshops, as well as local schools, businesses and tourist attractions. The cathedral is a place for everyone - including weddings and regular services with our amazing choir. We host a range of events, exhibitions and activities throughout the year - attracting over 105,000 visitors annually and working with 300 volunteers.



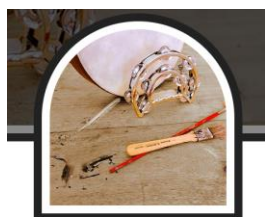
**RNIB's Community Connection team** is one of our main ways to interact with the community. It aims to connect blind and partially sighted people, their families, friends and supporters, with opportunities that enable individuals to live the life they choose, including education, employment, sport, leisure, volunteering and socialising. It's also a platform where people can connect with each other to offer peer support, exchange of information and opportunities to come together in person, over the phone and online. And finally, it also allows us to connect people affected by sight loss with all RNIB has to offer: our services, products, and opportunities to contribute, from fundraising to volunteering and campaigning. Visit our stall in the exhibition space to learn more about how you can support your customers, Colleagues, and volunteers with understanding sight loss and take advantage of the wealth of information, advice and guidance that is available.



**The North East and Yorkshire Net Zero Hub** is a collaboration of six Combined Authorities and Local Enterprise Partnerships, funded by government to support and accelerate local authorities journey to Net Zero.



**Supporting Older People.** SOP was founded in 1982, we are a registered charity helping to alleviate loneliness and isolation often experienced by older people living on their own. This could be a result of bereavement, relocation or change of circumstances. We primarily support people in the Harrogate and Knaresborough district.



THE TIGER TRAIL

**The Tiger Trail Expressive Arts for Health & Wellbeing**

The Tiger Trail Expressive Arts Therapies studio is a social enterprise. It offers professional programmes of sessions in dance movement and Expressive Arts therapies for Health & Well Being offering Dance Movement to help with

Parkinsons, Stroke Rehab, Senior chair Dance Exercise, Womes & Mens wellbeing, Sekhem energy healing and colour therapy.



**Up for Yorkshire** exists to enable the voluntary and community sector to grow and flourish, whilst at the same time supporting an inclusive community for everyone. We deliver a diverse combination of services and projects across the County. Continually striving to support the development of new and established organisations, opportunities, and partnerships, we aim to address the needs of the community and to help fill gaps in service provision. We love collaborating with others through our partnerships, research and development work, whilst also providing accessible and welcoming community spaces. We also deliver a range of projects and services to directly support, enable and enrich the lives of residents.



**YES Energy Solutions** is an award-winning community interest company dedicated to reducing CO<sub>2</sub> and alleviating fuel poverty. With over 20 years of experience in project managing and delivering energy efficiency schemes, YES partner with local authorities to help households save energy and money. The company has expertise in funding streams, retrofit services and household energy advice, working nationwide and within North Yorkshire where YES is currently delivering an extensive Home Upgrade Grant (HUG) funded project.

# Venue layout plan

