

Northumberland County Council
Communities and Place Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme 2022-2023

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1. Terms of reference:

- (1) To maintain an overview of the Management Agreements in place between the County Council and Active Northumberland, Woodhorn Museum Charitable Trust and Northumberland Tourism.
- (2) To monitor, review and make recommendations about:
 - Development Planning
 - Neighbourhood Planning
 - Conservation
 - Housing
 - Climate Change
 - Countryside, Biodiversity and Landscape Quality
 - Waste Management and Energy Use
 - Public and Community Transport Network and Travel to School
 - Highway Maintenance, Streetscape and the Local Environment
 - Local and Neighbourhood services
 - Crime, Community Safety, and Fear of Crime, including CONTEST, Prevent and Channel
 - Antisocial Behaviour and Domestic Violence
 - Fire and Rescue
 - Emergency Services and Emergency Planning
 - Customer Services
 - Provision of Cultural and Leisure Facilities
 - Improving Quality of Life through Access to Culture and Leisure;
 - Supporting Economic Growth in the Arts, Culture and Leisure Sectors

2. Issues to be Timetabled/Considered

Great Northumberland Forest
Woodhorn Charitable Trust

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Tree and Woodland Strategy

To review and refresh the Strategy. Members also requested an update on the impact Ash Dieback was having on Ash Trees in the county and the implication for public and highway safety.

Storm Arwen Review – Adult Care

To receive an update on the implementation of the review’s recommendations on Adult Care.

8 February 2023

Northumberland Infrastructure Funding Statement

To consider the annual Infrastructure Funding Statement in respect of Section 106 Agreements.

Retained Firefighters

To consider issues around the recruitment and retention of retained firefighters.

8 March 2023

Library Service Strategy 2021-26

To update the Committee on the implementation of the Strategy.

Utility Companies on the Highway

To receive an update on the Council’s implementation of the Northumberland Street Works Permit Scheme.

5 April 2023

Food Recycling Pilot

To receive an interim report on progress with the pilot scheme.

Housing (TBC)

Housing White Paper – it is anticipated that this will become the Housing regulatory Bill in the Spring of 2023, and this is to inform members of the implication for the housing landlord function.

26 April 2023	

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Ref	Date	Report	Decision	Outcome
1.	1 June 2022	Development of the Potland Burn Biodiversity Net Gain Site	RESOLVED that the Committee: 1. Supported the recommendations in the report. 2. The report and presentation be recommended for inclusion within the work programme for the Ashington and Blyth Local Area Council with an invitation to Ashington Town Council and Pegswood Parish Council to involve them in the discussion.	No further action required as this time.
2.	29 June 2022	Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy 2022/25	RESOLVED that the Committee: 1. Supported the recommendations in the report. 2. The protocol for the setting of EVCP tariff be considered by Communities & Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee at a future meeting. 3. Encourage members to undertake the climate change training.	The Committee be consulted prior to the setting of the EVCP Tariff.
3.	29 June 2022	Northumberland Waste Management Strategy – Proposed Food Waste Recycling Pilot Schemes	RESOLVED that the Committee: 1. Supported the recommendations in the report. 2. Consider involvement by local schools in the home compost bin trial. 3. Receive an interim report on the home compost trial in Autumn 2022 with a final report on the kerbside collection in the summer of 2023.	The Committee to receive an update on the trial before the end of the year.
4.	31 August 2022	Fleet Replacement Update	RESOLVED that the work undertaken to deliver a challenging fleet replacement programme during 2021/22, be noted.	The Committee will continue to receive this as an annual update.
5.	31 August 2022	Food and Feed, Safety and Standards Service Plan 2022/23	RESOLVED that:	Cabinet considered the OSC's comments when it determined the

			<p>a. Cabinet be advised that the Communities & Place OSC endorses the recommendation in the report.</p> <p>b. The Cabinet be recommended to request that the Government makes the displaying of food hygiene ratings at food business premises mandatory.</p>	report on 21 September 2022.
6.	5 October 2022	Endorsement of the Northumberland Destination Management Plan 2022-2032	RESOLVED that Cabinet be advised that the Communities & Place OSC supported the recommendation contained in the report.	Cabinet considered the OSC's comments when it determined the report on 11 October 2022.
7.	5 October 2022	Storm Arwen, Community Resilience Update	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>(a) The report be received.</p> <p>(b) The Communities and Place OSC continues to support the concept of community resilience within Northumberland.</p>	The Committee will consider the Storm Arwen recommendations in respect of Adult Care at the January meeting.