

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

Food Recycling Pilot  
Woodhorn Charitable Trust

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**8 March 2023**

**Retained Firefighters**

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

**Utility Companies on the Highway**

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

**5 April 2023**

**Social Housing Regulations Bill**

To inform members of the impending Social Housing Regulations Bill and the implications that has for housing, in particular the introduction of a regulatory regime.

**Homelessness & Rough Sleeper Strategy**

This report will be considered by Cabinet in March and will outline the draft Homelessness and Rough Sleeper Strategy 2022-2026 for review and agreement.

**26 April 2023**

**Library Service Strategy 2021-26**

To update the Committee on the implementation of the Strategy.

**Northumberland Infrastructure Funding Statement**

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

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Ref	Date	Report	Decision	Outcome
1.	1 June 2022	<b>Development of the Potland Burn Biodiversity Net Gain Site</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> 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	<b>Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy 2022/25</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> 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	<b>Northumberland Waste Management Strategy – Proposed Food Waste Recycling Pilot Schemes</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> 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	<b>Fleet Replacement Update</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> 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	<b>Food and Feed, Safety and Standards Service Plan 2022/23</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that:	Cabinet considered the OSC's comments when it determined the

			<p>a. Cabinet be advised that the Communities &amp; 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	<b>Endorsement of the Northumberland Destination Management Plan 2022-2032</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> 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	<b>Storm Arwen, Community Resilience Update</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that (a) The report be received. (b) The Communities and Place OSC continues to support the concept of community resilience within Northumberland.	The Committee will consider the Storm Arwen recommendations in respect of Adult Care at the January meeting.
8.	26 October 2022	<b>Active Northumberland Annual Outcome Report 2021-22 including Service Plan Successes 2021-22</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that that Active Northumberland's Annual Outcomes Report 2021-22, be received.	The Committee will continue to receive annual reports of the performance of Active Northumberland.
9.	7 December 2022	<b>Electric Vehicle Charging Tariff Setting Methodology</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that that the report be received.	No further action is required at this stage.
10.	7 December 2022	<b>Corporate Feedback Performance 2021/2022</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the report be received.	The Committee will continue to receive annual reports on Corporate Feedback.
11.	11 January 2023	<b>Storm Arwen Review – Adult Care</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the update be received.	Further monitoring of the Adult Care recommendation will be overseen by the Health and Wellbeing OSC.
12.	11 January 2023	<b>Tree and Woodland Strategy</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted and consideration be given to inclusion of the issues raised in the Tree Management Policy.	The final draft of the Strategy be presented to the Committee in Summer 2023.

