

Northumberland County Council  
Communities and Place Overview & Scrutiny Committee  
Work Programme 2021-2022

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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**

Market Strategy

Tree and Woodland Strategy

Enforcement of 20 mph Zones

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**2 March 2022**

**Library Service Strategy 2021-26**

To update the Committee on the implementation of the Strategy.

**Local Services – Highways Maintenance**

To provide an overview on the operation and challenges of Highways Maintenance.

**Climate Change**

To receive an update on the implementation of the Climate Change Action Plan.

**Active Northumberland**

To receive an update on the development of the partnership agreement, membership numbers, challenges, business plan and priorities.

**6 April 2022**

**Bus Service Improvement Plan**

To seek the Committee's comments on this report prior to consideration by Cabinet.

**Concessionary Travel Reimbursement**

To seek the Committee's comments on this report prior to consideration by Cabinet.

**27 April 2022**

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Ref	Date	Report	Decision	Outcome
1.	30 June 2021	<b>Funding for Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that, the Cabinet be advised that the Committee supported the recommendations contained in the report.	Cabinet noted the Committee's comments when it determined this report on 13 July 2021.
2.	30 June 2021	<b>Unreasonably Persistent and Vexatious Contact Policy</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that, subject to members' comments, the Cabinet be advised that the Committee supported the recommendations contained in the report.	Cabinet noted the Committee's comments when it determined this report on 13 July 2021.
3.	4 August 2021	<b>Draft Private Sector Housing Strategy 2020-23</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that, the Cabinet be advised that the Committee supported the recommendations in the report.	The Committee's comments will be considered by the Cabinet when it determines the report on 6 September 2021.
4. 5.	4 August 2021	<b>Active Northumberland Annual Outcome Report 2020-2021</b>  <b>Active Northumberland Annual Service Report April 2020– April 2021</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Active Northumberland's Annual Outcomes Report 2021-21 and Annual Service Report for 2020-21, be received.</li> <li>2. Active Northumberland be thanked for their work during the pandemic, including support to communities, schools and health services, which had been incredibly valuable as well as reopening centres quickly when permitted.</li> <li>3. The Committee were encouraged by the optimism for the future whilst noting the challenges ahead.</li> <li>4. An update on the development of the partnership agreement, membership numbers, challenges, business plan and priorities be presented to the Communities and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee in early 2022.</li> </ol>	The Committee will receive an update on the development of the partnership agreement, membership numbers, challenges, business plan and priorities on 2 February 2022.

6.	25 August 2021	<b>Overview of the Fleet Replacement Programme in 2020/2021</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The work undertaken to deliver a challenging fleet replacement programme during 2020/21 and 2021/22, be noted.</li> <li>2. Cabinet be recommended to consider an invest to save or business case to acquire more gulley wagons to increase capacity as part of the capital programme budget discussions.</li> </ol>	The Committee will continue to monitor this issue through annual reporting.
7.	25 August 2021	<b>Northumberland Waste Management Strategy - Kerbside Glass Collection Trial Update</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The contents of the report be noted.</li> <li>2. The success of the glass recycling trial scheme to date, in terms of high customer satisfaction levels and very high yields of glass collected per household, be noted.</li> <li>3. The Communities and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee supported the trial and expansion of glass recycling across Northumberland.</li> </ol>	A further report will be presented to the Committee on 27 October 2021 prior to determination by the Cabinet on 9 November.
8.	6 October 2021	<b>Integrated Domestic Abuse Services for Northumberland – Permission to Tender</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the Cabinet be advised that the Committee supports the recommendations in the report, subject to consideration being given to extending the length of the contract to three years, with an option for a further one year to provide greater stability of service	Cabinet considered the Committee's comments when it determined this report on 12 October 2021.  Further reports on the implementation of the Council's Domestic Abuse strategies will be presented to the Committee annually.
9.	6 October 2021	<b>Northumberland Climate Change Update</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the recommendations be agreed and further updates be presented to the OSC.	A further update will be presented to the Committee in six months.
10.	6 October 2021	<b>NE Bus Service Improvement Plan</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the presentation be noted.	Further reports will be presented to the Committee as appropriate.
11	27 October 2021	<b>Northumberland Waste Management Strategy – Outcome of Kerbside Glass Recycling Collection Trial</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that, subject to the comments above, the Cabinet be advised that the Committee positively supported the recommendations in the report.	Cabinet considered the Committee's comments when it determined this report on 9 November 2021.

12.	27 October 2021	<b>Policy for Street Naming and Numbering</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the Cabinet be advised that the Committee supported the recommendations in the report subject to a review of the consultation process with Town and Parish Councils.	Cabinet considered the Committee's comments when it determined this report on 9 November 2021.
13.	1 December 2021	<b>Local Services – Neighbourhood Services</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the presentation be received.	The Committee to consider issues arising from the report including the Tree and Woodland Policy and Markets Strategy.
14.	1 December 2021	<b>Active Travel and Road Safety for the Journey to School</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted.	The Committee requested that a report discussing enforcement of 20 mph zones be prepared for a future meeting.
15.	1 December 2021	<b>Destination Management – Structure and Future Funding Arrangements</b>	The Committee therefore <b>resolved</b> that the Cabinet be advised that the Committee supports the recommendations in the report, subject to the comment made.	Cabinet considered the Committee's comments when it determined this report on 7 December 2021.