

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
Active Northumberland
Bus Service Improvement Plan
Concessionary Travel Reimbursement

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Local Services – Highways Maintenance

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

**Development of the Potland Burn
Biodiversity Net Gain Site**

To review the Cabinet decision in respect to this report and consider the implementation of the proposals.

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Ref	Date	Report	Decision	Outcome
1.	30 June 2021	Funding for Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)	RESOLVED 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	Unreasonably Persistent and Vexatious Contact Policy	RESOLVED 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	Draft Private Sector Housing Strategy 2020-23	RESOLVED that, the Cabinet be advised that the Committee supported the recommendations in the report.	Cabinet noted the Committee's comments when it determined the report on 6 September 2021.
4. 5.	4 August 2021	Active Northumberland Annual Outcome Report 2020-2021 Active Northumberland Annual Service Report April 2020– April 2021	RESOLVED that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Active Northumberland's Annual Outcomes Report 2021-21 and Annual Service Report for 2020-21, be received. 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. 3. The Committee were encouraged by the optimism for the future whilst noting the challenges ahead. 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. 	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	Overview of the Fleet Replacement Programme in 2020/2021	RESOLVED that: 1. The work undertaken to deliver a challenging fleet replacement programme during 2020/21 and 2021/22, be noted. 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.	The Committee will continue to monitor this issue through annual reporting.
7.	25 August 2021	Northumberland Waste Management Strategy - Kerbside Glass Collection Trial Update	RESOLVED that: 1. The contents of the report be noted. 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. 3. The Communities and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee supported the trial and expansion of glass recycling across Northumberland.	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	Integrated Domestic Abuse Services for Northumberland – Permission to Tender	RESOLVED 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	Northumberland Climate Change Update	RESOLVED 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	NE Bus Service Improvement Plan	RESOLVED that the presentation be noted.	Further reports will be presented to the Committee as appropriate.
11	27 October 2021	Northumberland Waste Management Strategy – Outcome of Kerbside Glass Recycling Collection Trial	RESOLVED 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	Policy for Street Naming and Numbering	RESOLVED 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	Local Services – Neighbourhood Services	RESOLVED 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	Active Travel and Road Safety for the Journey to School	RESOLVED 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	Destination Management – Structure and Future Funding Arrangements	The Committee therefore resolved 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.
16	12 January 2022	Complaints Improvement Framework - Update	RESOLVED that the report be received, and the next steps noted.	The Committee will receive the Annual Complaints report in September.
17.	12 January 2022	Storm Arwen Review	RESOLVED that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The current terms of reference and scope of the review, on pages 2 - 3 of the report, be agreed subject to any changes deemed necessary by the Review Committee. 2. The membership of the Review Committee include: Councillors Castle, Dodd, Gallacher, Hardy, Mather, Morphet and Reid. Councillor Bridgett be invited to be a member of the Review Committee. 3. The final list of consultees / interviews be agreed when the evidence is reviewed, in addition to those identified on page 3 of the report. 4. Consultation with communities be sought via email, letter, survey via representative sample and use of researchers. 5. The proposed timetable on page 4 of the scoping report, be agreed. 	An invitation to elected members, Members of Parliament, Town and Parish Councillors, and residents and businesses to submit written submissions to the Review was issued shortly after the meeting and the first meeting of the Group was held on 21 February 2022.

			6. The findings of the review be ultimately reported to Full Council.	
18.	2 February 2022	Northumberland Fire and Rescue Service: Community Risk Management Plan 2022-26 Consultation	RESOLVED that the report be received and that the comments be noted.	An update on the outcome of the consultation be provided to the Committee in due course.
19.	2 February 2022	Update on Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS) Round 2 Inspection report into Northumberland Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS)	RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted.	The Committee will continue to receive updates as required.
20.	2 February 2022	Empty Homes in Northumberland	RESOLVED that the content of the report be noted.	The Committee will continue to receive updates as required.
21.	2 February 2022	Northumberland Infrastructure Funding Statement	RESOLVED that: a. The purpose and requirement for an Infrastructure Funding Statement, be noted. b. The summary of the Infrastructure Funding Statement content for the financial year 2020/21, be noted. c. The forthcoming changes to the Council's approach to developer contributions, upon adoption of the Northumberland Local Plan, be noted. d. A summary be provided to the Local Area Councils.	The Committee will receive an update as an Annual report.
22.	2 March 2022	Climate Change Update	RESOLVED that the Cabinet be advised that the Committee supports the recommendations in the report, subject to the amendments requested.	Cabinet agreed to accept the amendment and additional recommendation at its meeting on 8 March 2022.
23.	2 March 2022	Library Service Strategy 2021-2025	RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted.	The Committee will continue to receive updates as required.