

LOCAL GOVERNMENT NORTH YORKSHIRE AND YORK
Minutes of the Meeting held on Friday 5 October 2018 at 10.30 am at
Harrogate Civic Centre, St Luke's Mount, Harrogate

Present:-

Authority

Member/Chief Executive

City of York Council Councillor Ian Gillies

Ian Floyd (Deputy Chief Executive)(as Substitute for
Mary Weastell (Chief Executive))

Craven District Council Councillor Richard Foster

Paul Shevlin (Chief Executive)

Hambleton District Council Councillor Peter Wilkinson (as Substitute for Councillor
Mark Robson)

Mick Jewitt (Deputy Chief Executive)(as Substitute for
Dr Justin Ives (Chief Executive))

Harrogate Borough Council Councillor Richard Cooper

Wallace Sampson (Chief Executive)

North Yorkshire County Council County Councillor Carl Les (in the Chair)

Richard Flinton (Chief Executive and also LGNY

Honorary Secretary)

North York Moors National Park

Authority

Mr Jim Bailey

Richmondshire District Council Councillor Yvonne Peacock

Tony Clark (Chief Executive)

Ryedale District Council Stacey Burlet (Chief Executive)

Scarborough Borough Council Councillor Helen Mallory (as Substitute for Councillor
Derek Bastiman)

Lisa Dixon (Director)(as Substitute for Jim Dillon (Chief
Executive))

Selby District Council Councillor Mark Crane

Janet Waggott (Chief Executive)

Yorkshire Dales National Park

Authority

Mr Carl Lis OBE

By invitation:-

North Yorkshire Police and Crime

Commissioner's representative

Fraser Sampson (Interim Chief Executive, Office of the
Police and Crime Commissioner)(as Substitute

for the Police and Crime Commissioner)

Yorkshire Water Richard Flint (Chief Executive)

Nevil Muncaster (Director of Asset Management)

Paul Carter (Political Engagement Manager)

In Attendance:-

James Farrar (York, North Yorkshire and East Riding LEP, Chief Operating Officer), Michael
Grayson (North Yorkshire County Council, Programme Manager – Mobile Phone Coverage)
and Ruth Gladstone (LGNY Secretariat).

**Minute note 51. York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Mobile Infrastructure -
Business Rate Relief**

Considered -

The report of the Chair of the YNYERH Directors of Development Group which sought
agreement, in principle, to a proposal whereby Councils would provide a National Non
Domestic Rate holiday for new rural mobile infrastructure where no mobile service was

currently available. This was an attempt to encourage the expansion of mobile coverage in rural areas.

It was noted that each District Council and the City of York Council would need to make its own decision regarding the proposal set out in the report.

The Leaders of various District Councils expressed support for the proposal, although requested further detail to identify the areas described as "rural". The Leader of the City of York Council commented that, whilst he would support other Councils if they wished to approve the proposal, the City of York Council was likely to have other priorities which it would prefer to fund.

Resolved -

(a) That the proposal to grant a seven year holiday in National Non Domestic Rates for all new rural mobile infrastructure, to a maximum of £6,000 per mast per annum across York and North Yorkshire, be agreed in principle, subject to:-

(i) the new infrastructure shall serve a rural area where there is currently no mobile phone service; and

(ii) the infrastructure is occupied for a minimum of seven years.

(b) That the Chair of the YNYERH Directors of Development Group forward to each of the seven District Councils in North Yorkshire and the City of York Council a map of that Council's area which shows where there is currently zero mobile phone coverage so that that further detail can be taken into account by that Council when it considers the proposal in respect of its area.