



# GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

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## **Local Government Yorkshire and Humber (LGYH)**

LGYH is the independent, cross-Party alliance and common voice of local government in Y&H to:

- advocate the role of democratic local government in the delivery of services to the public
- agree shared priorities on the basis of common geography, needs & challenges
- develop lasting, trusting relationships, able to endure political diversity & future change

## **LGYH Council**

Membership consists of all 22 local authorities in the region, 4 Fire & Rescue Authorities, 4 Police Authorities, 2 National Park Authorities and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Regional Employers' Committee.

It has a Chair and four Vice-Chairs (to reflect all four Y&H sub-regions) rotating every two years.

The full membership meets as the "LGYH Council", whose overall aim and responsibility is to act as a united local government body for Yorkshire and Humber, enhancing the role and reputation of local government by working together to determine shared priorities and allocate resources accordingly to secure better outcomes for local authorities, people and places. It also promotes effective working between authorities and their employees, co-ordinating and driving collaborative approaches and helping to provide political and executive leadership.

## **LGYH Employers' Committee**

The Employers' Committee consists of 26 Elected Members and promotes excellent people management, practices and their contribution to the improvement of service delivery and organisational effectiveness of authorities within Yorkshire and Humber.

The Committee provides representatives as members of the Employers' Side of the "Yorkshire and Humber Regional Council" and undertakes activities on behalf of or in conjunction with Local Government Employers, Local Government Improvement and Development and the Local Government Association at national level.

## **Yorkshire & Humber Performance Improvement Member Board**

The Yorkshire and Humber Improvement Board (in the process of being established) will oversee the development of new arrangements for sector self-regulation and maximise the opportunities for improvement and efficiency through working together across Yorkshire and Humber's sub-regional improvement partnerships.

It will provide advice to the LGYH Council on improvement issues and help take an overview of performance of the sector in Yorkshire and Humber.

## **Yorkshire & Humber Chief Executives' Group**

The Yorkshire & Humber Chief Executives' Group consists of all the 22 local authority Chief Executives in the region. The Group discusses and debates regional strategic issues and provides executive leadership in the region acting as advisers and support to the organisational priorities set by the LGYH Council.

## **Networks, Panels and Task Groups**

LGYH undertakes much of its work through Networks, Panels and Task Groups consisting of local authority members, officers and relevant partners. Examples include the HR Directors' Network, Finance Directors' Network and various Elected Member networks on issues such as health and wellbeing, scrutiny and culture.

## **Functional Sub-Regions**

The economic geography of the region is complex, with overlapping functional economies. The four functional sub-regions in Yorkshire and Humber are as follows:

- Leeds City Region
- Sheffield City Region
- The Hull & Humber Ports City Region
- Local Government North Yorkshire and York

LGYH works closely with, and has key objectives to support, improve and enhance capacity within functional sub-regions.

