



Overview of Let's Talk

From 1 April next year, North Yorkshire Council will replace the eight councils currently delivering public services across the county. We are holding North Yorkshire's biggest ever countywide conversation to understand how the public are feeling, gather intelligence and use that to inform decision-making and policies for the new council. We are asking people for their views on their local area, the new council's budget and the proposed devolution deal for York and North Yorkshire between September to December.

How?

We're using a safe and easy-to-use platform called Commonplace to provide our own consultation platform (<https://letstalkny.commonplace.is/>) to host surveys to capture online feedback and inform the public what happens after the consultations.

Working with the Stronger Communities and Community Teams from all eight councils, our team of 40+ volunteers will be holding these important conversations for 'Let's Talk Local' in person, with over 200 events between September to December, at venues like libraries, street markets, community groups and partner meetings. This is supported by significant activity between across press, radio, print and digital media.

We are now eight weeks into the Let's Talk campaign and have received an incredible response so far:

- Over **16,000 people** have visited the Let's Talk online platform
- Over **4,600 people** have completed the Let's Talk surveys
- Over **2,200** news subscribers to the platform
- Over **180** face-to-face events held across North Yorkshire

In the following pages you will find assets to help promote Let's Talk. We really appreciate any help you can give in spreading the word across North Yorkshire.

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Join North Yorkshire's biggest conversation

From 1 April 2023, North Yorkshire Council will replace the county council and seven district and borough councils in North Yorkshire to deliver all the public services your local council currently provides. Having one new council will save money by joining up services to end duplication, helping to support services so they are stronger and fit for the future, as well as fund local decision-making.

We've launched 'Let's Talk', the biggest countywide conversation that North Yorkshire has ever seen about the issues that we think matter to all of us.

Let's Talk Devolution – have your say before 16 December

The proposed devolution deal for York and North Yorkshire will help to shape the region's economic future by offering devolved powers and millions of pounds to provide better roads and public transport, improve education and job opportunities, as well as offering the chance to elect a mayor to champion our area nationally. Devolution could bring about important change in York and North Yorkshire, therefore it is important for you to have your say. Go to www.ynydevolution.com for further information, explanatory videos and to fill in the devolution consultation survey. You can share your views on devolution before 16 December 2022.

Let's Talk Local – have your say before 23 December

The new council will be the geographically largest council in England, but it's being built with local at the heart of everything it will do – ensuring we work together with communities to deliver what their area needs. We want to know what's important to you in your local area and hear your views on proposed community networks. We're holding these conversations in person at the places you visit and socialise, like libraries and street markets – find out where these events are taking place via the link below.

Let's Talk Money – have your say before 23 December



The new council will deliver services including adult social care, housing, waste collection, transport, planning, community safety, children's services, education, leisure and many more. The scale of the new council's operations will see it serve the greatest geographical area of any local authority in the country, and it will have an overall spend of about £1.4 billion, including £343 million on schools. We want to know what matters to you before we agree the new council's budget, find out what you think about council tax and hear your ideas for savings.

You can share your views on any of these topics online.

Visit <https://letstalkny.commonplace.is/> to have your say.

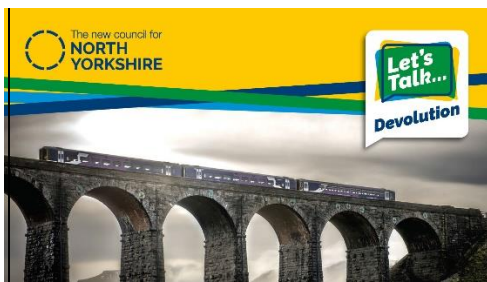
Surveys are all available in a range of formats including paper, large print, easy read and alternative languages. People can request a different format by emailing letstalk@northyorks.gov.uk or calling 01609 780780.

Social media content for Let's Talk North Yorkshire - includes Local, Devolution and Money

Asset	Content
	<p>Teams from the new North Yorkshire Council are visiting venues across the county between now and Christmas to find out the priorities for your local area as part of Let's Talk, North Yorkshire's biggest conversation.</p> <p>You can also share your thoughts online via a short survey – it takes just a few minutes to complete and will help the new council understand more about your local community. Have your say at https://letstalkny.commonplace.is/ where you can also find details of events in your area #LetsTalkNorthYorkshire</p> <p>Twitter</p> <p>Teams from the new North Yorkshire Council will be visiting venues across the county to find out what you'd like the new council to focus on in your local area. Find your local event or complete the survey at https://letstalkny.commonplace.is/ #LetsTalkNorthYorkshire</p>
	<p>What improvements would you like to see in your local area? Perhaps your community needs better job opportunities, or more affordable housing.</p> <p>You can share your views about your local area with the new North Yorkshire Council via the short survey at https://letstalkny.commonplace.is/ #LetsTalkNorthYorkshire</p> <p>Twitter</p> <p>What improvements would you like to see in your local area? Perhaps it's improved job prospects or more affordable housing. Share your views about your local area with the new North Yorkshire Council at https://letstalkny.commonplace.is/ #LetsTalkNorthYorkshire</p>
	<p>Let's Talk Money! Next year, North Yorkshire Council will replace the eight councils currently delivering your local services. Have your say on council tax and what matters to you before the new council's budget is agreed. You can also share your ideas for savings. Join the conversation and have your say before 23 December at https://letstalkny.commonplace.is/ #LetsTalkNorthYorkshire</p> <p>Twitter:</p>

Let's Talk Money! North Yorkshire Council will replace the 8 councils currently delivering local services. Have your say on council tax and share your ideas for savings. Join the conversation at <https://letstalkny.commonplace.is/>

[#LetsTalkNorthYorkshire](#)



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Facebook copy:

Let's Talk Devolution! Find out more about devolution and what it could mean for you.

North Yorkshire Council will replace the 8 existing councils from 1 April 2023.

Changing the current system of local government in North Yorkshire is a condition of York and North Yorkshire getting a devolution deal.

Devolution is the transfer of certain powers and money from national Government to a region.

This could bring about important change, so now is your chance to have a say!

Fill in the York and North Yorkshire devolutions survey before 16 December 2022 and encourage your friends and family to do the same.

Go to www.ynydevolution.com for further information. You can also email enquiries@ynydevolution.com or pick up a copy of the survey at your local library.