



Partnership vision, aims, values and priorities

Vision

The partnership vision for the Harrogate District:

Working together to enhance the many and varied communities, economies and environment of our towns and dales, we will make the District a place where people are valued and protected and where access, opportunity, prosperity and support are available to all.

Aims

The aim of the partnership is to help provide:

- A prosperous economy- to generate wealth, investment and jobs for all residents across the Harrogate District and all sections of the community.
- A healthy and active society- to provide opportunities for all citizens to enjoy good health, to contribute to and benefit from the social well-being of the District and to enrich their lives through participation in community activities
- A quality environment- to protect and enhance the environmental assets that make the District successful and to ensure that they can still be enjoyed by generations to come.

Values

The values of the partnership are:

- Sustainability- all actions should continue to benefit future generations
- Inclusion- actions should be beneficial to all sections of the community
- Partnership- working together to build consensus, reduce duplication, to maximise impact, deliver quality and value for money.
- Equality- action should ensure that opportunities are available to allow diversity of people's backgrounds to be appreciated and valued.

Priorities

The priorities that the partnership will focus on are:

Priority 1: A strong local economy

Outcomes: Harrogate District- a place with:-

- A sustainable and diverse economy
- A vibrant tourism offer and promotion and celebration of the District art and heritage
- Good travel, transport and electronic infrastructure
- A thriving conference, exhibition and events programme in a diverse range of venues

Priority 2: Supporting our communities

Outcomes: Harrogate District – a place where:-

- Everyone feels and is safe
- People are as healthy as possible
- Housing needs are addressed
- Essential needs are met through effective services
- People have the opportunity to be involved in decisions that affect them and to see real change occur
- Communities are empowered to develop and take more control of shaping their neighbourhoods.

Priority 3: Enhancing and protecting our environment

Outcomes: Harrogate District – a place where:-

- Environmental features, both natural and man-made, that contribute to the area's distinctive character are conserved and enhanced.
- Our impact on the environment is minimised through effective waste management, reducing carbon emissions and adapting to climate change.
- Development needs are met while protecting our high quality environment.

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