

ECONOMY SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	9 th March 2021
REPORT OF	Assistant Chief Executive (Statutory Scrutiny Officer)
SUBJECT	Tracking the recommendations of the Economy Scrutiny Panel
STATUS	Open

CONTRIBUTION TO OUR AIM

The scrutiny panels act as a reviewing mechanism for decisions made relating to the strategic policy, performance and resources required to deliver the ambitions of the council and the strategic partnership. The aim of the scrutiny process is to make sure decision making is robust by providing constructive challenge. This contributes to the Council being effective and efficient, and therefore it is integral to the delivery of the Council Plan.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each scrutiny panel monitors the progress made on their recommendations through a tracking table, which would routinely be included as an appendix of this report. However, the panel agreed in March 2021 to move three remaining tracked items into its work programme for 2021/22.

MATTER(S) FOR CONSIDERATION

The panel is asked to note this report.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

Each scrutiny panel has a standard agenda item to check progress against the recommendations they have previously made.

Members are asked to look at the progress against the recommendations and agree to sign off any recommendations that have been completed, so that they can be removed from the table. It would also be effective to sign off any recommendations that have not been completed but which are no longer considered to be an efficient use of resources, or where priorities have changed.

At its meeting held on 9th March 2021, the panel agreed to delete the three items remaining in its tracking report in favour of adding them to its forward work programme. The items referenced were; the Local Plan review, the energy carbon roadmap and affordable/social housing.

2. RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Risk assessments will already have been carried out on the reports that these recommendations have come from.

Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include risk assessment(s) by the author(s) concerned

3. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

The panel's tracking report demonstrates that the panel monitors progress on its recommendations and required actions. This report further demonstrates the breadth of matters considered by scrutiny.

4. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations included within this report, beyond scrutiny's enhanced future role in monitoring delivery of the council's budget and medium term financial plan.

5. CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no impacts on climate change and the environment as a direct result of this report. The reports that these tracked items have come from will have been assessed for impact.

Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include climate change and environmental implications by the author(s) concerned.

6. MONITORING COMMENTS

In the opinion of the author, this report does not contain recommended changes to policy or resources (people, finance or physical assets). As a result no monitoring comments have been sought from the Council's Monitoring Officer (Chief Legal Officer), Section 151 Officer (Director of Finance) or Strategic Workforce Lead.

7. WARD IMPLICATIONS

Potentially impacts on all wards.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Minutes from the Economy Scrutiny panel
<http://www.nelincs.gov.uk/committees/committees.aspx?commid=69>

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