

ECONOMY SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	28 February 2023
REPORT OF	Assistant Chief Executive (Statutory Scrutiny Officer)
SUBJECT	Tracking the recommendations of the Economy Scrutiny Panel
STATUS	Open

CONTRIBUTION TO OUR AIMS

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 is included as an appendix of this report.

MATTER(S) FOR CONSIDERATION

Members are asked to look at the progress against the recommendations and agree to sign off any recommendations that have been completed or are no longer considered to be an efficient use of resources or where priorities have changed.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

- 1.1 Each scrutiny panel has a standard agenda item to check progress against the recommendations they have previously made.
- 1.2 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.
- 1.3 Appendix 1 of this report lists the recommendations previously made by and which fall within the terms of reference of this Economy Scrutiny Panel.

2. RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- 2.1 Risk assessments will already have been carried out on the reports that these recommendations have come from.
- 2.2 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

- 3.1 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

- 4.1 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. IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

- 5.1 There are no impacts on children and young people as a direct result of this report. The reports that these tracked items have come from will have been assessed for any such impact.
- 5.2 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 children and young people implications by the author(s) concerned.

6. CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 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.
- 6.2 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.

7. MONITORING COMMENTS

- 7.1 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.

8. WARD IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 Potentially impacts on all wards.

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9.1 Minutes from the Economy Scrutiny panel <https://democracy.nelincs.gov.uk/meetings/>

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TRACKING OF RECOMMENDATIONS – ECONOMY SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	RECOMMENDATION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	PROGRESS/COMMENTS
8 th November 2022	<p><u>SPE.37 Local Plan Review – Scoping and Issues</u></p> <p>The panel agreed that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • methods of engagement with councillors, including the possibility of a scrutiny workshop, be explored. • The panel to be updated at a future meeting, date to be determined, on how the local plan consultation responses would be assessed and how this influence or impact would be evidenced • Numbers and methods of engagement would be measured and reported to the panel in due course 	Assistant Director for Housing, Highways, and Infrastructure	<p>Panel meeting 10 Jan 2023 – Retain in tracking –</p> <p>Requested update - Reports will be presented through cabinet process for engagement at future key local plan stages.</p> <p>Future Scrutiny workshop still proposed to develop policy options for incorporation in draft plan</p> <p>Report on engagement on Scoping and Issues to be presented through cabinet process. All representations are considered in developing policy options and revisions to text alongside consideration of evidence and sustainability appraisal. All representations submitted through the local plan process will be reported and considered by the inspector at the local plan examination in a document titled the statement of consultation.</p>
8 th November 2022	<p><u>SPE.39 New Homes Performance</u></p> <p>The result of a Housing Assessment (currently being undertaken) to be reported to the panel at its June 2023 meeting.</p>	Assistant Director for Housing, Highways, and Infrastructure.	

10th January 2023	<u>SPE.51iii – Regeneration Partnership Performance Report, regarding demand responsive transport.</u> Mr Nearney to investigate and respond to questions regarding passengers' difficulties in accessing the booking system.	Assistant Director for Housing, Highways, and infrastructure	Complete. Email to Panel members 8 February 2023 Further information sent to all members on 17 February following annual budget scrutiny workshop(s).
10th January 2023	<u>SPE.53 Empty Homes update</u> The Chair to consider an update to panel in future agenda setting and/or future work programme meetings	Chair / Assistant Director for Housing, Highways, and infrastructure	
10 th January 2023	<u>SPE.54 – Freshney Place Market Hall</u> A report to be brought back to this panel to allow consideration and comment on detailed proposals as arrangements for the new market hall progress.	Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources	Date(s) to be determined
10th January 2023	<u>SPE.55 Gypsy and Traveller Negotiated Stopping Agreements</u> the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance Resources and Assets report back to this panel at its September 2023 scheduled meeting.	Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources	
10th January 2023	<u>SPE.60 Bus Network Review</u> the Economy Scrutiny Panel to hold a workshop to explore options and recommendations for potential improvements to bus services in North East Lincolnshire.	Assistant Director for Housing, Highways, and infrastructure	Update – Chair and Deputy Chair to meet with officers and Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport to determine timing and initial scope.

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