

# TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND HOUSING SCRUTINY PANEL

<b>DATE</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> July 2026
<b>REPORT OF</b>	Joanne Robinson (Statutory Scrutiny Officer)
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Tracking the recommendations of the Transport, Infrastructure and Housing Scrutiny Panel
<b>STATUS</b>	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

Each scrutiny panel has a standard agenda item so that they can 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.

Appendix A lists progress on tracked items within the terms of reference of this new panel.

### 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. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

Not applicable to this report.

### **4. 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.

### **5. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IMPLICATIONS**

There are no impacts on Children and young people as a direct result of this report. The reports that these tracked items have come have been assessed for impact on children and young people.

### **6. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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

### **7. 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.

### **8. 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 (legal), Section 151 Officer (finance) or Strategic Workforce Lead (human resources).

### **9. WARD IMPLICATIONS**

Potentially impacts on all wards.

### **10. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Minutes from the Transport, Infrastructure and Strategic Housing Scrutiny Panel  
<https://www.nelincs.gov.uk/meetings/category/scrutiny-panel-transport-infrastructure-and-strategic-housing/list/?eventDisplay=past>

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**TRACKING OF RECOMMENDATIONS – TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND HOUSING SCRUTINY PANEL**

DATE	RECOMMENDATION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	PROGRESS/COMMENTS
7 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	<p><b><u>JSPCT.16 CALLING IN OF DECISIONS – SELECTIVE LICENSING</u></b></p> <p>RESOLVED –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>That the report and comments be noted.</li> <li>That the final decision be reported back to the Communities Scrutiny Panel</li> </ol> <p>RECOMMENDED TO CABINET: -</p> <p>That the Cabinet decision of 20th August regarding Selective Licensing be released for implementation noting concerns regarding potential impact on charities and requesting that an Equality Impact Assessment is revisited prior to implementation.</p>	Scrutiny & Committee Advisor	<p><u>Outcome of Cabinet meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>That the scrutiny recommendation be noted.</li> <li>That the Equality Impact Assessment be revisited to specifically address the potential effects of the selective licensing scheme.</li> </ol> <p>Update at panel meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2025 – agreed to retain this on the tracker until assurance had been provided that the Equality Impact Assessment had been revisited.</p> <p><b>Briefing note on proposed selective licensing fees (including those for charities) circulated to panel members on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2026 along with confirmation that the Equality Impact Assessment had been revisited.</b></p> <p><i>At the panel meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 members asked if specific charities had been identified and contacted about potential discounts</i></p>

			for selective licensing fees and charges. Mr Windley advised he would check and advise members once received. Emailed Officer response 05/05/2026
18 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	<p><b><u>SPTISH.41 TRACKING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF SCRUTINY</u></b></p> <p>That officers be requested to establish performance information on affordable housing with a view to an initial report by the first meeting of this panel in the 2026/27 Municipal Year.</p>	Assistant Director Housing and Communities	This was discussed with the panel at the informal work programme workshop and it was agreed that this would be received at the November meeting.
18 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	<p><b><u>SPTISH.46 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION WORKING GROUP</u></b></p> <p>That the Streetworks Charter be endorsed for agreement by Cabinet and to be taken forward for discussion and sign up with utility companies, subject to the strengthening of the charter to make clear the expected standard within the wording on reinstatements.</p>	Assistant Director Infrastructure	This has now been added to the panel's work programme and has been timetabled to be received at the November meeting.
18 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	<p><b><u>SPTISH.47 CORPORATION BRIDGE UPDATE</u></b></p> <p>1. That the circulation of updates on the Corporation Bridge project to all Members be further investigated.</p>	Assistant Director Infrastructure /	1. Monthly updates currently being provided to panel members will be circulated to all Members.

	<p>2. That the possibility of releasing financial information on the project be further investigated.</p>	<p>Monitoring Officer</p>	<p>2. Briefing note being prepared.</p> <p>Clearer guidance on the release of financial information on the Corporation Bridge project is in progress with the monitoring officer.</p>
<p>13<sup>th</sup> January 2026</p>	<p><b><u>SPTISH.60 TRANSPORT HUB</u></b></p> <p>That future reports to this panel on the Transport Hub reference how accessibility and tackling anti-social behaviour and violence against women and girls was incorporated into the design of the project.</p>	<p>Assistant Director Infrastructure</p>	<p>To be addressed within the Transport Hub report that is due to be received by the panel at their January 2027 meeting.</p>
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026</p>	<p><b><u>SPTISH.68 QUESTION TIME</u></b></p> <p>That the Council's approach to junction safety on strategic roads be added to this panel's work programme for further consideration in the 2026/27 Municipal Year</p>	<p>Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager</p>	<p>The council's approach to junction safety on strategic roads be added to the panels 2026/27 work programme.</p> <p>Added to the 2026/27 Work Programme</p>
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026</p>	<p><b><u>SPTISH.71 QUARTER 3 COUNCIL PLAN RESOURCES AND FINANCE PERFORMANCE</u></b></p> <p>That an explanation be sought for the anticipated rise in capital borrowing for the 2026/27 financial year and that it be requested that future reports provide clarity over whether individual capital programme schemes were being funded through grants or borrowing.</p>	<p>Interim Section 151 Officer/ Assistant Director Infrastructure</p>	<p>This was sent out to all panel members via email on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026.</p>

<p>3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026</p>	<p><b><u>SPTISH.72 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE</u></b></p> <p>That an explanation on what the biodiversity target was for the asset management aim policy supporting biodiversity.</p> <p>The panel enquired how backlog maintenance would be managed and requested a financial breakdown of prioritised works.</p> <p>The panel noted that on the previous plan, the total value of assets was £282m but without knowing the number of properties involved it was difficult to identify the reason for the current value in this plan of £190m. Sales accounted for this but Mr Evans agreed to provide information on the number of properties involved.</p>	<p>Head of Estates and Asset Strategy</p>	<p>A briefing note is currently being produce for members of this scrutiny panel.</p>
	<p><b><u>SPTISH.73 ELECTRIFICATION OF BUSES</u></b></p> <p>That Stagecoach be invited to a future meeting of this panel to present their future plans for a modern bus service in North East Lincolnshire, incorporating the electrification of buses.</p>	<p>Assistant Director Infrastructure/ Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager</p>	<p><u>Added to 2026/27 Work programme</u></p>
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026</p>	<p><b><u>SPTISH.76 TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND STRATEGIC HOUSING, SCRUTINY PANEL - WORK PROGRAMME REVIEW</u></b></p>		

	<p><b><u>2025/26 AND WORK PROGRAMME 2026/27</u></b></p> <p>That the report be noted and that AI technologies in relation to road surveys and relevant schemes arising from recent amendments to the budget be added to this panel's work programme for 2026/27.</p>	<p>Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager</p>	<p>That AI technologies in relation to road surveys and relevant schemes be added to the panels 2026/27 work programme.</p> <p>Added to 2026/27 Work programme</p>
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**TRACKING OF FULL COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS – TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND HOUSING SCRUTINY PANEL**

FULL COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	PROGRESS/COMMENTS	DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION
<p><b>Parking provision in our town centres</b> (19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Budget Amendment - on a trial basis to offer free short stay parking (2 hours maximum) at weekends and bank holidays in Grimsby Town hall car park (49 car parking spaces) and Cleethorpes Civic Offices car park (51 car parking spaces)).</p>	<p>Assistant Director Infrastructure</p>		