

Economy, Culture and Tourism Scrutiny Panel

DATE	23 rd July 2026
REPORT OF	Statutory Scrutiny Officer
SUBJECT	Economy, Culture Tourism Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2026/27
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 its key partnerships. 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 Priorities.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report reflects work undertaken by the Economy, Culture and Tourism Scrutiny Panel, within the panel's terms of reference, to identify topics to be included in the 2026/27 work programme. The panel is asked to agree the work programme.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

The panel is asked to consider and agree the work programme for the ensuing municipal year.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

The appendix to this report summarises the suggested work programme and the panel's likely timetable of activities during 2026/27 to undertake this work. The report will be a live document and progress on each of the work programme items will be monitored throughout the year.

In addition to the work programme items, there will be the opportunity for members to identify agenda items from the forward plan, the Council's quarterly performance and resources report (with a focus on those issues relevant to the remit of the panel) and the tracking of its recommendations.

The panel may also consider any issues it may wish to remove or add to this year's work programme. The panel may also respond to issues of public concern.

2. RISKS, OPPORTUNITIES AND EQUALITY ISSUES

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 for this report.

4. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

The work programme demonstrates the breadth of matters considered by scrutiny.

5. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations included within this report.

6. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IMPLICATIONS

There are no impacts on children and young people as a direct result of this report. 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.

7. CLIMATE CHANGE, NATURE RECOVERY AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no impacts on climate change and the environment as a direct result of this report. 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, nature recovery and environmental implications by the author(s) concerned.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH, HEALTH INEQUALITIES AND MARMOT IMPLICATIONS

There are no impacts on public health, health inequalities or Marmot principles as a direct result of this report. 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 public health, health inequalities and marmot principles by the author(s) concerned.

9. 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.

10. WARD IMPLICATIONS

May impact on all wards.

11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Annual report of scrutiny 2025/26.

12. CONTACT OFFICER(S)

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ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION: Economy, Culture and Tourism Scrutiny Panel 2026/27

23 rd July	1 st October 2026	26 th November 2026	21 st January 2027	11 th March 2027
• 2024/25 Provisional Outturn report • Q4 Quarterly Finance and Council Plan Monitoring report • Panel work programme 2026/27 • Lincs Inspire Annual Report • 3 month Review for Grimsby Library location.	• Q1 Quarterly Finance and Council Plan Monitoring report • Tourism Annual Dashboard • Play Pitch Strategy	• Q2 Finance and Council Plan Monitoring report • Work Programme Review • Public toilet provision. • Library Service Strategy • Select Committee Recommendation update • Meridian Showground development • Grimsby Masterplan/Move ment Strategy (Pre-Cabinet)	• Council Plan Refresh • Creativity Strategy • Economic Strategy • Dedicated Local Heritage Assets update.	• Q3 Quarterly Finance and Council Plan Monitoring report • Work Programme for 2027/28 • Three monthly review on interim Grimsby Library location • Freshney Place Business Plan (Pre Cabinet)

Standing agenda items:

- Question time
- Tracking actions of the panel
- Forward Plan
- Questions to the Portfolio Holder
- Calling in of key decisions

Informal Workshop for:

Grimsby Masterplan and Movement Strategy – 1 month prior (October)
Economic Strategy – (December)

Further Topics identified (to be scheduled in):

- Devolution – how it will impact our Borough/Tourism –On hold- Growth Plan on CCA?

Joint Working this year:-

- Children and Lifelong Learning and Economy, Culture and Tourism Scrutiny Panel – Skills Strategy *(Date to be Confirmed) for an update on Skills Strategy.*
- Transport, Infrastructure and Strategic Housing and Economy, Culture and Tourism Scrutiny Panel – Local Plan – *Members of this panel to be invited to attend the appropriate TISH Scrutiny Panel when scheduled.*

Special Meetings

Economy Culture Tourism Panel – (Pre Cabinet) To consider the Market Place and High Street, Cleethorpes Report

Briefing Papers

- Freshney Place Leisure Scheme
- Future Highstreets Taskforce/ Strategy to look after Town Centres
- Cleethorpes Coast Light Railway

Invitation for Assistant Director Public Health, Lindsay Hudson and Senior Public Health Officer, Christopher Cook to this panel to talk about how Marmot will address the below issues:-

Health and Adult Social Care – To examine the wider implications of physical activity and health, linking to the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Professor Marmot's work.