

COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	3 rd October 2019
REPORT OF	Director of Communities (Statutory Scrutiny Officer)
SUBJECT	Tracking the Recommendations of the Communities Scrutiny Panel
STATUS	Open

CONTRIBUTION TO THE COUNCIL PLAN/STRATEGIC 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 supports the determination to be an effective and efficient council.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The scrutiny panels have adopted a template in order to track their recommendations.

MATTER(S) FOR CONSIDERATION

Members are asked to look at progress against the recommendations and agree to sign off any recommendations that have been completed, so that they can be removed from the table.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

- 1.1 Each scrutiny panel has a standard agenda item so that they can 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 A lists progress on tracked items within the terms of reference of this new 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. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

3.1 Not applicable to this report.

4. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

4.1 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.

5. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

5.1 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.

6 MONITORING COMMENTS

6.1 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 (legal), Section 151 Officer (finance) or Strategic Workforce Lead (human resources).

7. WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Potentially impacts on all wards.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 Minutes from the Communities Scrutiny Panel - <http://www.nelincs.gov.uk/committees/>

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TRACKING OF RECOMMENDATIONS – COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	RECOMMENDATION	RESPONSIBLE	PROGRESS / COMMENTS
25 th July 2019	<p data-bbox="230 301 1218 373">SPC.6 <u>TRACKING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF SCRUTINY</u></p> <p data-bbox="230 408 1218 507">(2) That the concern from a panel member regarding the reporting of overhanging vegetation be raised with Engie colleagues for a response.</p> <p data-bbox="230 611 1218 676">(3) That a schedule for the upkeep of overhanging vegetation for summer 2020 be added to the work programme.</p>	<p data-bbox="1229 408 1507 507">Scrutiny and Committee Advisor / ENGIE</p> <p data-bbox="1229 611 1507 676">Scrutiny and Committee Advisor</p>	<p data-bbox="1518 408 2089 571">Concern emailed over on 5th August 2019. As of 20th September: Officers have been chased for a response, none received. Have been informed that this is being looked into.</p> <p data-bbox="1518 611 2089 676">Added to the work programme. COMPLETE</p>