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Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

A meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee will be held on **Thursday, 18 December 2014 at 10.00 am in Committee Room One, County Offices, Newland, Lincoln LN1 1YL** for the transaction of the business set out on the attached Agenda.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Tony McArdle', written over a horizontal line.

Tony McArdle
Chief Executive

Membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (18 Members of the Council and 5 Added Members)

Councillors P J O'Connor (Chairman), Mrs A M Newton (Vice-Chairman), B Adams, C J T H Brewis, A Bridges, Mrs J Brockway, M Brookes, P M Dilks, A G Hagues, A J Jesson, C E D Mair, C E H Marfleet, Mrs M J Overton MBE, R B Parker, Mrs A E Reynolds, C L Strange, Mrs C A Talbot and T M Trollope-Bellew

Added Members

Church Representatives: Mr S C Rudman, Mr P Thompson and Mrs G Wright

Parent Governor Representatives: Mr C V Miller and Mrs E Olivier-Townrow

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PRESENT: COUNCILLOR P J O'CONNOR (CHAIRMAN)

Councillors Mrs A M Newton (Vice-Chairman), C J T H Brewis, A Bridges, Mrs J Brockway, M Brookes, P M Dilks, A G Hagues, A J Jesson, C E D Mair, Mrs M J Overton MBE, R B Parker, Mrs A E Reynolds and T M Trollope-Bellew.

Added Members

Church Representatives: Mr S C Rudman and Mrs G Wright.

Officers in attendance:-

Steve Brookes (Lincolnshire Broadband Programme Manager), Simon Evans (Health Scrutiny Officer), David Hair (Team Leader - Scrutiny and Member Support), Cheryl Hall (Democratic Services Officer), Tracy Johnson (Scrutiny Officer), Naomi Nutting (Project Support Officer), Louise Tyers (Scrutiny Officer), Nigel West (Democratic Services Manager) and Richard Wills (Executive Director for Environment and Economy).

29 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/REPLACEMENT MEMBERS

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B Adams, C E H Marfleet, C L Strange and Mrs C A Talbot and Added Members: Mr C V Miller, Mrs E J Olivier-Townrow and Mr P Thompson.

30 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests.

31 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE HELD ON
30 OCTOBER 2014

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 30 October 2014 be agreed and signed by the Chairman.

32 CONSIDERATION OF CALL-INS

No Call-Ins had been received.

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No proposals for Scrutiny Reviews had been received.

34 LINCOLNSHIRE BROADBAND PROGRAMME - UPDATE

Consideration was given to a report and presentation by Steve Brookes (Lincolnshire Broadband Programme Manager) and Naomi Nutting (Project Support Officer), which invited the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to consider the latest position with regards to the Lincolnshire Broadband Programme.

It was noted that the implementation of Superfast Broadband was one of the Council's designated priority activities and scrutiny responsibility for monitoring this particular activity rested with the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee.

Detailed information was provided by way of a presentation, covering the following areas: -

- Overview;
- Map showing the post rollout broadband coverage;
- Objectives;
- Funding;
- Current status; and
- The Future.

The Lincolnshire Broadband Programme covered 156,667 business and residential premises deemed eligible under State Aid. To ensure the Programme was manageable in terms of its delivery, the project had been split into eight phases of work and it was hoped that the project would be completed by April 2016. BT was delivering the implementation under the Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) Framework Agreement.

The Programme was currently running to plan and had delivered approximately 58,900 premises that could now benefit from the upgraded infrastructure. This equated to a little over 35% of the overall total for the programme. The programme had already completed the build of 242 roadside cabinets, with an additional 70 cabinet 'shells' provided in advance of work to update. At this point in time, the Programme was currently providing faster broadband to an average of 1,760 additional premises per week.

Consideration was now being given to the process of establishing the most effective way to deliver the second phase of the programme, utilising the additional Government funding (Approximately £2.35 million) that had been allocated. It was also noted that Lincolnshire County Council had added a further £1.8 million, with additional European Union money currently being sourced. The target delivery was for 95% Superfast coverage by 2017 and it was hoped that there would be Phase Three of the programme to cover the remaining 5%. However, as the remaining 5%

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would be those hard to reach areas, it was anticipated that any new emerging technology would be used as part of this phase.

Members were provided with an opportunity to ask questions, where the following points were noted: -

- There was a mechanism in place to charge neighbouring counties if they were to benefit from the use of cabinets located within Lincolnshire. The same would apply if Lincolnshire was to make use of one of the neighbouring county's cabinet;
- It was noted that West Lindsey District Council had awarded a three-year contract to Quickline Communications to install wireless internet within 32 hubs, to improve internet access across its district;
- In answer to a question, Members were advised that through the delivery of the Lincolnshire Broadband Programme, 90.32% premises would be covered by superfast broadband within the district of West Lindsey;
- The definition of Superfast Broadband was internet speeds of 24mbs or above. However, the further away the premise was from its associated cabinet, the slower the internet speed;
- There was new emerging technology currently being trialled nationally and it was hoped that this new technology would work wirelessly;
- Ofcom was currently investigating the issue of providers restricting internet speeds for their customers;
- Members were advised of what the procurement process was for the contract for the Lincolnshire Broadband Programme;
- It was queried whether the Economic Scrutiny Committee could explore and quantify the benefits of Lincolnshire Broadband Programme on the Lincolnshire economy; and
- It was suggested that a further update on the Lincolnshire Broadband Programme, in particular the progress with phase 2, was provided to the Committee in six months.

The Chairman thanked those officers present for their detailed update.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the report, presentation and comments be noted.
- (2) That a further update on the Lincolnshire Broadband Programme, in particular the progress with phase 2, be provided to the Committee in six months.

35 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

Consideration was given to a report by Nigel West (Democratic Services Manager), which provided the Committee with an update on the work of the Constitution Review Working Group. The purpose of the report was for the Committee to consider the Working Group's proposals to amend Part 5 and elements of Part 4 of the

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Constitution. In addition, the Working Group had highlighted further amendments to Part 2, which require the Committee's attention.

The Democratic Services Manager went through the proposed changes to the Constitution, making particular reference to: -

- Replacement Members (Page 4/5);
- Members' and Officers' Codes of Conduct (5/7 to 5/24); and
- Petitions Scheme (5/57 to 5/66).

It was proposed that the changes agreed by the Committee would be recommended to Council for approval on 19 December 2014.

Replacement Members

Members were advised that the working group had proposed that a valid nomination, in accordance with paragraph 5 in the Constitution (page 4/5), must be in the possession of the Chief Executive, or an officer authorised by the Chief Executive to act on his/her behalf, before the start of the meeting to which the nomination related.

Members were advised that 'an officer authorised by the Chief Executive' would be the Democratic Services Officer clerking the meeting to which the nomination related to.

The Democratic Services Manager reported that a suggestion had been made, prior to the meeting, by a Member of the Committee that the word 'replacement' should be included within the first paragraph under 'Appointment of Fixed Term Members of Committees and Sub-Committees', as follows: -

"The Chief Executive (or an Officer authorised by the Chief Executive to act on his or her behalf) will appoint *Replacement* Councillors to Overview and Scrutiny, Regulatory and Other Committees and Sub-Committees in accordance with nominations made to him or her in writing by the appropriate Group Leader, Deputy Group Leader or Group Whip".

Members discussed the proposed amendments by the Working Group, including the suggestion by a Member of the Committee, and it was agreed that the proposed amendment by the Working Group covered the issue of replacement members and therefore supported this proposed amendment, as written in the report.

Members' and Officers' Codes of Conduct

The Committee was directed to the Members' Code of Conduct at page 5/7. It was proposed that the wording under this section would incorporate the Council's Values Statement and Good Practice Guide to Meeting the Values of the Authority in the Members' Code of Conduct meaning that a breach of those values could be investigated by the Monitoring Officer and potentially amount to a breach of the Members' Code.

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Members were also directed to the new wording in the Code under the heading "RESPECT". The intention of both forms of wording was to widen the scope of the Code to include an element of interpersonal relationships.

It was agreed that under the heading "RESPECT", the following wording would be included: -

"Any alleged failure to comply should be dealt with under the Council's Local Arrangements."

It was agreed that a copy of the Council's Local Arrangements would be emailed to Members of the Committee for information.

Members supported the proposed changes to the Members' and Officers' Codes of Conduct.

It was recognised that Added Members should be treated the same as County Councillors and it was therefore agreed that the Constitution would include a general statement to the effect that Added Members be treated as Councillors, except where the provision specifically related to Councillors.

Petitions Scheme

The Democratic Services Manager directed the Committee to the proposed new wording in the Petitions Scheme, as detailed at page 5/57. The effect of the proposed changes which had been recommended by the Working Group would be to remove the signature thresholds for a debate at Council and calling a chief officer to give evidence at a scrutiny committee meeting. The Working Group had also recommended that petitioners present their petition for five minutes, rather than three minutes. In addition, the Working Group had also recommended the introduction of a minimum of 3,500 signatures for petitions to be presented to Council.

Members were advised that the working group, prior to making the proposed changes to the Petitions Scheme, had looked at the requirements of the Petitions Schemes of other local authorities. The Working Group had chosen a threshold of 3,500 signatures for petitions to be presented to Council, as it based on 0.5% of the population of Lincolnshire.

During the discussion on the proposed changes to the Petitions Scheme, the following points were raised by Members: -

- It was felt that the proposed removal of the signature thresholds for a debate at Council and calling a chief officer to give evidence at a scrutiny committee meeting and the inclusion of a threshold of 3,500 signatures for petitions to be presented to Council, would make the process difficult for constituents to raise local community concerns with the Council;
- It was also felt that the threshold of 3,500 was too high and could be deemed as a barrier. It was suggested that this figure should be much lower and in the region of 100-200;

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- The recommendation that the petitioners presenting their petition were allocated five minutes, rather than three minutes was supported; and
- Members were advised that a submitted petition was not always necessarily presented to a meeting of Council, as it was at the discretion of the petitioner as to whether they would like to present it to Council or pass it to the relevant department for consideration.

During debate, the following amendment was moved and seconded: -

"That the wording within the County Council's Petitions Scheme remains as was currently written within the County Council's Constitution, with the addition of a threshold of 150 signatures for petitions to be presented to County Council and petitioners being allocated five minutes, rather than three to present their petition to a meeting of County Council."

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

RESOLVED

That the Working Group's proposed amendments (including the Committee's amendments) to Parts 4 and 5 of the Council's Constitution be presented to the meeting of County Council on 19 December 2014 for approval.

36 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

Consideration was given to a report by David Hair, Team Leader (Scrutiny and Member Support), which provided the Committee with an opportunity to consider its work programme and the work programmes of the Scrutiny Committees. Copies of the individual work programmes were appended to the report and the following updates were received:-

i) Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

The Team Leader (Scrutiny and Member Support) reminded Members that the Informal Meeting of Scrutiny Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen which was scheduled for the afternoon of 27 November 2014 had been cancelled, as business for that meeting did not materialise as anticipated. It was hoped that a meeting of the Group would be arranged for the foreseeable future.

It was noted that one of the items which would have been mentioned at that meeting was the opportunity for peer mentoring for committee chairmen. This was something that was successfully trialled during the last Council Term to launch this opportunity in this Council Term. The Councillor Development Group also agreed that in the first instance, this offer would be to sitting chairmen of scrutiny and regulatory committees. The Team Leader (Scrutiny and Member Support) would email all chairmen providing further detail.

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In addition, it was noted that a training session on 'Successful Meetings' was scheduled to take place on 12 February 2015, and was open to all councillors and added members. The session would be facilitated by David McGrath from Link UK.

Further to Minute 34 as above, Members were reminded that a further update on the Lincolnshire Broadband Programme would be added to the work programme for six months' time.

ii) Adults Scrutiny Committee

The Health Scrutiny Officer advised that there were no changes to the Committee's work programme.

iii) Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

The Scrutiny Officer advised that there were currently no amendments to the work programme. The Committee was scheduled to meet on Friday, 28 November 2014 and the agenda was set out on page 194 of the report.

iv) Community and Public Safety Scrutiny Committee

The Chairman advised Members that there were currently no changes to the work programme.

The Committee would be holding an additional meeting on Tuesday, 27 January 2015 to undertake pre-decision scrutiny on the 'Future Shape of Library Provision', which was due to be considered by the Executive on Tuesday, 3 February 2015.

v) Economic Scrutiny Committee

The Chairman advised that there were no amendments to the work programme. However, it was noted that the Committee's meeting on 9 December 2014 would be an all-day meeting. The Committee would consider the agenda, as set out on page 198 of the report, which included receiving a presentation from the Executive Director for Environment and Economy on the new senior staff structure in Economy and Place and an update report on the Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership.

vi) Environmental Scrutiny Committee

The Scrutiny Officer advised that there were no changes to the work programme at this time.

vii) Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire

The Vice-Chairman highlighted the following items:

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The item on Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, which related to the Redevelopment Proposals for Stamford and Rutland Hospital, would now be taken at a later meeting.

14 January 2015

There were no changes to the list of items for 14 January 2015.

11 February and 11 March 2015

The items on the list for the meeting on 11 February 2015 on the 'Process for Updating the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment' and the 'Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy' would now be taken at the meeting of the Committee on 11 March 2015. Also at the meeting on 11 March 2015, the Committee was scheduled to receive an update from United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust on its latest position with regard to the Care Quality Commission Re-inspection in February 2015, as well as Cancer Care; Outpatients; Recruitment and Retention; and Finance.

Working Group Activity

The first meeting of the Congenital Heart Disease Standards and Specifications Work Group had taken place on 24 November 2014. The Working Group comprised of Councillors Mrs C A Talbot (Chairman); C J T H Brewis (Vice-Chairman); Miss J Frost; Dr G Samra; and Dr B Wookey from Healthwatch Lincolnshire. The Working Group was scheduled to hold a further meeting on 2 December 2014 to finalise the Working Group's response to the national consultation, which had to be submitted by 8 December 2014.

In response to a question, Members were advised that the Committee was scheduled to receive a report on Winter Pressures at its meeting on 17 December 2014.

viii) Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee

The Vice-Chairman advised that there were no changes to the Committee's work programme at this time.

ix) Value for Money Scrutiny Committee

The Vice-Chairman advised that there were no changes to the Committee's work programme.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the work programmes for the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee and the Council's other Scrutiny Committees (Appendices A and B) be approved, subject to any amendments identified above.

(2) That the working group activity set out in Appendix C be noted.

(3) That the Forward Plan of Key Decisions from 1 December 2014 be noted.

The meeting closed at 12.50 pm.

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Open Report on behalf of Pete Moore, Executive Director of Finance and Public Protection

Report to:	Overview & Scrutiny Management Committee
Date:	18 December 2014
Subject:	Review of Council's Priorities - Consultation Feedback

Summary:

This report provides a summary of the public consultation feedback received by the Council during November 2014, around what the Council's priorities should be in a climate of reducing available budget.

Actions Required:

That the report be noted and any comments be passed onto the Executive for consideration when making the budget proposals for 2015/16 onwards.

1. Background

Background

- 1.1. Recent government announcements have indicated the council will receive a 14% reduction in government funding (Revenue Support Grant) for 2015/16 with an expected downward trajectory in funding of around 8% p.a. through to at least 2018/19. To accommodate this funding reduction, the current projection is that a saving of £90m relative to the current year base budget will need to be made from the Council's budgets for this period 2015/16 – 2018/19. To compound this funding reduction, the Council is also facing new cost pressures mainly in relation to inflation and demography increases. This will add to the saving requirement.
- 1.2. In the summer the Council started a fundamental review of service priorities and associated budgets (the FBR) to identify how these savings could be made. The first stage of the process was to assess the relative priorities of the services the Council delivers which was shared with all County Council members at a seminar on the 8th October 2014.
- 1.3. The FBR exercise has been undertaken to reflect the structure of the Council as approved by full Council in May 2014 and thereby reflects the 17 commissioning strategies that form the basis of that structure and the activities within them.

1.4. This initial assessment identified the following areas as high priority for the Council, so savings from these areas should be limited to less than 10%.

- Safeguarding children & adults
- Maintaining & developing highway infrastructure
- Managing flood risks
- Supporting our communities to support themselves
- Fire & Rescue Service

1.5. There are three levels of priority that have been assigned to activities that comprise each commissioning strategy. These are outlined below together with the range of savings options required to be exemplified for each strategy/activity

- High Priority = 91% - 100% of the current budget
- Medium Priority = 71%, 80% & 90% of the current budget
- Low Priority = 0%, 40% & 70% of the current budget

Following on from the initial review of these strategies in the summer, all adult care services were moved from medium priority to high priority. (See Appendix A for commissioning strategy priority levels)

Consultation

1.6. As part of this exercise consideration has been given to the extent and nature of consultation activity that is required both internally and externally. There is merit in distinguishing consultation on the Council's priorities from consultation on the detailed budget proposals. There are three elements to the consultation on the Council's priorities that are contained within this report.

- Open responses to the County News article and press release, received via e-mail and a freepost address.
- Questionnaire listing specific services to protect / reduce used with the Citizen Panel (via the Customer Service Centre)
- Questionnaire listing specific services to protect / reduce used on Children's Takeover Day

1.7. The consultation was launched in County News and via a press release in November on the priorities the Council intends to adopt going forward into the budget setting process (see Appendix B). Over 80 responses were received and were quite varied in content (see summary Appendix C). A large number of responses were received from specific interest groups as a result of other correspondence they had received about budget changes.

1.8. The Citizen Panel produced 66 responses (see Appendix D). Of these responses the areas of **high priority** were identified as;

- care services for old people;
- child protection services
- fire & rescue services
- roads and pavements.

Services identified as being **low priority** were identified as;

- parking enforcement
- promoting tourism
- promoting economic growth
- registration & celebratory Services.

1.9. Of these respondents 65% agreed to an increase in council tax (with 35% not agreeing to an increase), and 86% voted for an increase to be up to 2% (with 14% voting for an increase to be above 2%).

1.10. The Community Engagement team hosted Children's Takeover Day on the 21st November which involved 22 children from Saxilby Primary and Priory LSST Academy coming to County Offices to 'takeover' for the day. The opportunity was taken to lead a morning session with them, looking at the services LCC provides. This used the format of the citizen panel questionnaire and asked them to vote for services to protect and not protect. The results were not too dissimilar to the citizen panel outcomes (with the exception of roads not featuring in their priority list – see Appendix E).

High priorities included;

- fostering & adoption
- child protection
- support for old people and those with disability
- tackling crime and economic growth

Low priorities included;

- cultural services
- promoting tourism
- library services.

1.11. The feedback from these consultation exercises will be used to inform the budget proposals made by the Executive.

1.12. There will be separate consultation on the budget proposals in early 2015 once a provisional budget has been set by the Executive. The Local Government Settlement for next year will not be published until mid-December so it is proposed to take the budget proposals to the 6th January 2015 Executive.

2. Conclusion

The responses received during this consultation highlight the areas of priorities for the Council whilst reviewing its budget proposals.

3. Consultation

a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

n/a

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Commissioning Strategy Priority Levels
Appendix B	County News Article (Sept 2014)
Appendix C	Open consultation responses - summary
Appendix D	Citizen Panel Survey Outcome
Appendix E	Children's Takeover Day Survey Outcome

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

This report was written by Michelle Grady, who can be contacted on 01522 553235 or Michelle.Grady@Lincolnshire.gov.uk.

Commissioning Strategy	Commissioning Activity	£ Original Budget	Original Priority Level	Revised Priority Level
Adult safeguarding - High priority	Adult safeguarding	1,235,514	High	High
Community resilience and assets - Medium priority	Financial inclusion (CAB savings already met by savings in Children's and Trading Standards) Library & information services (not reviewed during this round of FBR discussion)	6,977,377	Medium	N/A
Children are safe and healthy - High priority	Child protection, LAC, fostering & adoption, residential care & family support	39,507,688	High	High
Protecting the public - High priority	Fire & Rescue & Emergency Planning	20,320,416	High	High
Adult Social Care - Medium priority	Adult frailty, carers & adult specialities	142,413,631	Medium	High
Protecting & sustaining the environment - High priority	Flood risk management, waste management & sustainable planning	21,966,030	High	High
Sustaining & Developing prosperity through infrastructure - High priority	Highway asset maintenance	22,980,213	High	High
Learn & achieve - Medium priority	Home to school transport, school support, school improvement, statementing & CWD, school admissions & supported employment	37,017,103	Medium	Medium
Community resilience and assets - High priority	Voluntary sector infrastructure, community grants & big society fund (Community grants for community facilities and individuals and Big Society Fund protected as high priority)	1,721,455	High	Medium
Sustaining & Developing prosperity through infrastructure - Medium priority	Transport, highway network management & new infrastructure investment	24,465,629	Medium	Medium
How we do our business - Medium priority	Finance, Audit, CX & monitoring, democratic process & members allowances & fisheries precept	8,849,122	Medium	Medium
Readiness for school - Medium priority	Children's centres & early years provision	9,364,727	Medium	Medium
Wellbeing - Medium priority	Public Health & health improvement, registrars, coroners, wellbeing service, sexual health, housing support & substance misuse	37,390,497	Medium	Medium
Readiness for adult life - Medium priority	14-19 training; career guidance, teenage pregnancy, supported accommodation, positive activities for young people & leaving care service	7,005,166	Medium	Medium
Enablers to council's outcomes - Medium priority	ICT, property, people management, legal, commissioning, strategic comms & business support	40,539,198	Medium	Medium
Community resilience and assets - Medium priority	CSC	2,654,151	Medium	Medium
Children are safe and healthy - Medium priority	School nursing, healthy schools & healthy child, targeted support, CAMHS & Children's Services commissioning	9,386,289	Medium	Medium
Protecting the public - Medium priority	Crime prevention, trading standards, road safety & youth offending	6,158,182	Medium	Medium
Protecting & sustaining the environment - Low priority	Reducing Carbon emissions, protecting & enhancing natural & built environment	618,343	Low	Low
Sustaining & growing business & the economy - Low priority	Employability skills, support to business, attracting business investment, lobbying and attracting funding for Lincolnshire	2,074,629	Low	Low
Community resilience and assets - Low priority	Community engagement and development (<i>contribution to sports centre facilities chance to share</i>)	451,455	Low	Low
Sustaining & Developing prosperity through infrastructure - Low priority	Economic infrastructure & regeneration; Heritage & tourism operation	2,077,519	Low	Low
		445,174,334		

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The £90m questi

With further Government funding cuts on the horizon, the council needs to make more savings – and it wants your views on the best way forward

Since 2011, the council has found savings of around £150m by changing the way it delivers some services, making each pound of taxpayers' money go further.

Now, in the light of further reductions in its Government funding and rising demand for services, the authority needs to save an additional £90m annually by 2019.

The council's budget (excluding schools) will then have been almost halved over the decade.

The scale of this challenge means the council must again review its priorities to decide which services should be most protected and which should be provided differently, at a reduced level or not at all.

Cllr Martin Hill, leader of Lincolnshire County Council, said: "Over the next few years, our income will continue to be reduced significantly, and we're going to have to cut back on our spending accordingly.

"We've already started to reduce our operating costs by making efficiency savings wherever possible.

"Our senior management team has already been cut back even further, saving us an additional £2m each year.

"And we've brought in private-sector firm Serco to deliver our support and customer services, cutting costs by an extra £14m over the next few years. However, we cannot find this additional £90m each year through efficiency savings alone.

"We need to decide which services we believe are essential and which, while desirable, could be reduced, delivered in a different way, or even stopped."

The services we provide

This year, we will be spending £654m on services that make a difference to the lives of everyone in the county:

Children's services

We protect children's welfare and provide social care, support for young carers, fostering and adoption services, and schools transport.

Protecting vulnerable adults

Often called social care, this involves looking after Lincolnshire's growing population of older residents and other people in need of support.

Public Health

We make sure everyone can get the vaccinations and screenings they need to protect against disease, as well as help to achieve a healthier lifestyle.

Roads and transport

We maintain Lincolnshire's cycleways, footpaths and 5,500 miles of roads. During bad weather we grit 1,917 miles of highways to keep England's fourth largest county moving.

Economic regeneration

We attract new businesses to Lincolnshire and help start-up enterprises to encourage job creation. We invest in maintaining and refurbishing heritage sites such as Lincoln Castle, encouraging people to visit the county.



Libraries

The council runs libraries, including mobile and online services, and has been consulting on the best way forward for a sustainable future.

Waste management

Last year we opened a £145m Energy from Waste plant, which powers 15,000 homes by burning rubbish collected in Lincolnshire. We also run household waste recycling centres.

Keeping you safe

Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue and Trading Standards work tirelessly to keep residents safe. We contribute towards Lincolnshire's Police Community Support Officers. We also work with partner organisations to plan for emergencies, including flooding, and to tackle ongoing problems such as domestic abuse.

Registrations and celebrations

Births, deaths, marriages and civil partnerships – we register the key moments in the lives of Lincolnshire residents.

Investing for the future

The council also makes capital investments in things like roads and schools.

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Setting our priorities

Over the last few months, leading councillors have been considering which of these many services are most valued by residents.

Cllr Hill said: "Public security is a particular priority for us, so we're proposing to protect funding in areas like safeguarding children and vulnerable adults, gritting roads and highways maintenance.

"That means the savings would need to be found within the other services we provide.

"But we want to know what residents think, and the best way to find that out is to ask them.

"We want people to tell us which services they value the most – and which they would be happy to see provided in a different way or not at all."

How to have your say

You can find out more about how the council spends its budget online at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/finance.

People can share their views on our priorities by emailing finance@lincolnshire.gov.uk or writing to:

Lincolnshire County Council
Resources and Community Safety Directorate
Treasury and Financial Strategy
FREEPOST RSTY-UXJB-ARHK
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There will also be a further chance to have your say in January 2015 when the council begins its formal budget consultation – see the next edition of County News for details.



“Our income will continue to be reduced significantly, and we’re going to have to cut back on our spending accordingly”

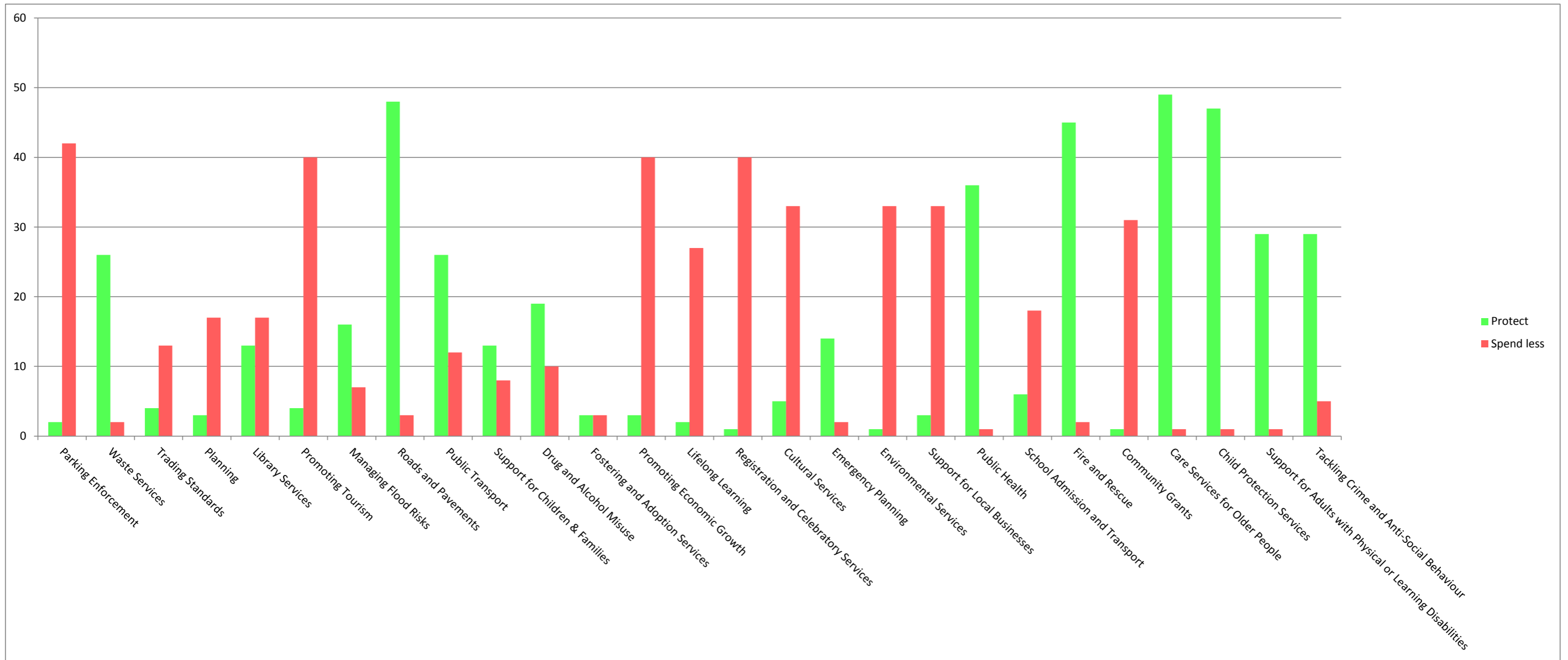
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Consultation responses to finance@lincolnshire.gov.uk & freepost address	Total
Do not cut support to children's charities (Homestart & ACT)/ support child protection	13
Response to Cllr Davie letter (supporting local busines & Economic Regeneration)	12
Protect Call Connect service	9
Cut Managers/Councillors salaries	7
Protect servcies for vulnerable (including child protection) & elderly	5
increase taxes/council tax	4
Ensure more collaborative working (with partners etc)	3
Have a fewer district councils / less layers of government - replace parish councils with residents associat	3
Sell owned buildings/offices	3
Maintain libraries / mobiles	3
Cut Translation services	3
Shut off traffic signals during night/ lower energy street lighting bulbs	3
Cut business rates to encourage business	2
Privatise heritage sites	2
More efficient use of office equipment/space/less printing	2
Non LCC comments (ie servcies LCC do not run)	2
Protect Public Health / health & wellbeing	2
Cut Registration services	1
Cut Health trainers	1
Regenerate rural areas	1
Remove non-stat concessionary bus travel	1
Protect Heritage & Tourism sites	1
Cut Libraries or heritage	1
Use council's reserves	1
Stop supporting police (PCSO's) & EMAS	1
Lobby government for more money	1
Don't spend £98m on bypass	1
Support reduction in criminal bahaviour	1
Better co-ordinated bus services	1
Improve rail links and parking charges	1
Improve traffic conditions into Lincoln	1
Use Geothermal energy	1
Support the former MOD sites	1
Better provision for young people	1
Let people adopt grass areas	1

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Citizen Panel	Protect	Spend less
Parking Enforcement	2	42
Waste Services	26	2
Trading Standards	4	13
Planning	3	17
Library Services	13	17
Promoting Tourism	4	40
Managing Flood Risks	16	7
Roads and Pavements	48	3
Public Transport	26	12
Support for Children & Families	13	8
Drug and Alcohol Misuse	19	10
Fostering and Adoption Services	3	3
Promoting Economic Growth	3	40
Lifelong Learning	2	27
Registration and Celebratory Services	1	40
Cultural Services	5	33
Emergency Planning	14	2
Environmental Services	1	33
Support for Local Businesses	3	33
Public Health	36	1
School Admission and Transport	6	18
Fire and Rescue	45	2
Community Grants	1	31
Care Services for Older People	49	1
Child Protection Services	47	1
Support for Adults with Physical or Learning Disabilities	29	1
Tackling Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour	29	5
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Council Tax Increase - Yes	65%
Council Tax Increase - no	35%

Increase of up to 2%	86%
Increase of over 2%	14%

Total number of respondents	66
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Citizen panel comments

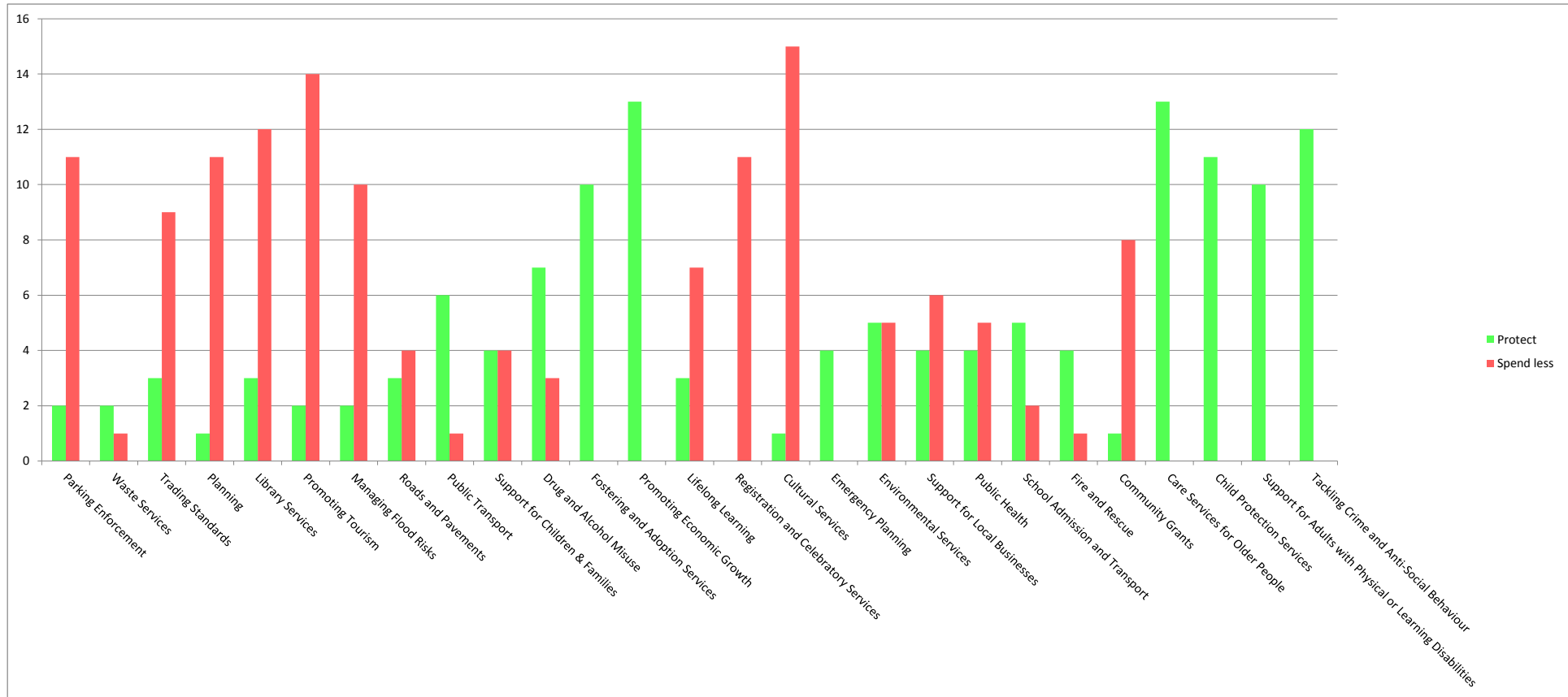
1	1) Local into town bus services are usually empty only need to have 2 return morning and 1 return afternoon. 2) Street lighting to be shut down at night; it's been proved it does not prevent crime and my bedroom is lit all night due to outside lamp. 3) People out of work & asylum seekers should be made to do daily community work such as picking up litter & doing OAPs gardens, my generation never had money for doing nothing, they are not bad of as all mostly smoe drink & use expensive mobile phones which I cannot afford.
2	90% of people don't need help with council tax payments. You should look into this, everybody should pay the same, rich and poor.
3	A major challenge for the council with some difficult choices to be made, however, the council should maintain essential services and cut the "softer" peripheral services. No decision will be popular but there are services the majority would not miss. I believe managing flood risk priority is misguided for Lincolnshire, I am unaware of major risk areas apart from Louth and Boston while the east coast sand drift should be the responsibility of others.
4	I beleive that the Council should publish the results of this survey so that the electorate and members of this panel in particular can see how much notice the Council takes of the results following the analysis of the survey. This publication to include the following information: the number of citizens recieving forms (not forms returned) both numerically and as a percentage; likewise in respect of their top seven both for reduction of spending and for protection of services; this information to be published before the Council makes their final decision in respect of these matters.
5	I could not send this without answering Q4. However I do not support any increase in council tax
6	I feel that all the items on this questionnaire are very improtant and found it difficult to list my priorities. I felt that some of the cultural services would cause the least hardship to people and therefore opted for the services which are needed by most members of our society. I tried very hard to use my head and not my heart.
7	I have indicated that "tackling crime and anti-social behaviour" should be protected, but I disagree with funding for PCSOs. In the majority of cases, PCSOs are a waste of time and money due to a lack of authority and enforcement of law. The money spent on PCSO's could be used to provide proper policeman. One experienced policeman is worth at least five PCSOs.
8	I hope the Council is taking every opportunity to lobby the government for a fair share of grants for Lincolnshire. Whilst cultural activities such as the arts and museums etc are good, in times of such severe budget restrictions I do not think it is unfair to reduce their funding; caring for human beings is more important to me.
9	I think our councils do a good job under difficult circumstances
10	I think rural transport needs to be supported more & don't stop the call connect service. However this should be run more efficiently such as not serving villages who have a bus service. We live in a village with no buses & yet to try & book call connect is often impossible, as I know it is often at places with buses. Greater efficiency is needed all around.
11	I think that (although I didn't indicate this) that retired folk should pay more if they can. There are many wealthy elderly folk who do not need the benefits they receive - this is the largest spend on the benefits budget and could be reduced if the elderly were "means" tested and those who do not need the benefits don't receive them.
12	I wish thee was some comunity centres for OAPs who can't do anything physical such as dancing, etc., where they could meet occasionalyl for discussions, bingo, anything socially, cup of tea, lunch, just for a social afternoon in Skegness centrally. There's nothing only bingo halls or church meetings. Something like a village hall.
13	I worry about the outcome of Grantham Hospital if the County Council talk about building more houses then the hospital needs more funding to cope. We need more investment in employment. Pilgrim hospital in Boston is not easy for older people to get to by their own transport. Lincoln hospital is a fair distance away. Why keep giving away taxpayers money to other countries when we are our own great NHS is suffering for lack of funding.
14	I would have liked to tick more boxes for funding to be protected.
15	I would like to think at this time the council would look after the vulnerable, i.e. old and young. As a foot note I would like to see free car parking for the Christmas season after 18:00hrs to help businesses.

Citizen panel comments

16	If you are to maintain services, you have to increase council tax, if only to cover wages and running of buildings and vehicles, without you are left with nothing.
17	listen to the communities you serve
18	Many of my friends and I will park in Marshall's Yard and walk into town. If the multi storey car park was reduced to 50p, I think many more people would park there and soon make up any shortfall in revenue. An added advantage would be to appear to be generous just as you increase council tax.
19	People collecting unemployment money should be doing some work in the community for say 1 day per week.
20	Recycling could be taken to a whole new level. Talk to the war age people. Such waste these days in all walks of life. Offices, schools, businesses - especially paper. These days are not a patch on those days.
21	reduce beaurocracy
22	Regards road maintenance partnership productivity is very poor. You see the staff turning up and the first job is a cup of tea, nine to nine then breakfast, 12-1.15 is dinner and then at 2.30-2.45pm they disappear. Time to give small maintenance businesses a chance. I see a road partnership vehicle which is parked for days on end, still required paying for, where is the staff member? A fortune to be saved county wide. Obviously not enough competition on pricing, the council are being used as a cash con. The "dead wood" at the top of the Highways department, who would employ them in the private sector? No one! This is only one department. Cut the pensions of the days off with pay, same productivity as the private sector of the same output; comparable benefits. N.B. Is it time to cut foreign aid £10 billion? Stop this and we won't have a problem!.
23	SKDC periodicals are superfluous to requirements, along with Lincs CC newsletters. They are recycled without being read by most people I know. Any information included is easily put in Stamford Mercury.
24	Stop the Councillors expenses, they are paid too much for it.
25	This questionnaire has made me appreciate how difficult it is to decide where money should be spent and where grants could be reduced. For example, tourism is vitally important to ensure Lincoln's future, but there are other issues that need plenty of support.
26	With regard to public transport, apart from 60 being too young to start, I and many people would be willingly pay £1.00 for every trip to save the usual service. I am 92 and a half.
27	You have a very difficult task to please as many residents as possible and remain in credit. Keep doing your best!
28	You must try to improve bus services and routes. Also, the cost is high so not encouraging to leave your car at home.
29	Your staff are paid very well but don't always offer value for money especially when you look at results and impact. A major example are children's centres. Very expensive resource but what real pact have they had on the most vulnerable in society. They mainly attract people who don't have a real need and could manage without a lot if the activities they offer in buildings that don't open that often . They should be dramatically reduced to areas where they have a real pact and can truly demonstrate that.

Children's takeover day	Protect	Spend less
Parking Enforcement	2	11
Waste Services	2	1
Trading Standards	3	9
Planning	1	11
Library Services	3	12
Promoting Tourism	2	14
Managing Flood Risks	2	10
Roads and Pavements	3	4
Public Transport	6	1
Support for Children & Families	4	4
Drug and Alcohol Misuse	7	3
Fostering and Adoption Services	10	0
Promoting Economic Growth	13	0
Lifelong Learning	3	7
Registration and Celebratory Services	0	11
Cultural Services	1	15
Emergency Planning	4	0
Environmental Services	5	5
Support for Local Businesses	4	6
Public Health	4	5
School Admission and Transport	5	2
Fire and Rescue	4	1
Community Grants	1	8
Care Services for Older People	13	0
Child Protection Services	11	0
Support for Adults with Physical or Learning Disabilities	10	0
Tackling Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour	12	0

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Childrens Takeover Day 21st Nov 2014.
Reviewing the council's priorities.

• My grandad died in a car crash on my birthday but my grandma can't talk for now. ~~xxx~~

• Elderly

• My great granny Julia is 93 and she has a twin sister in York and she is frail and lives in a care home but they don't see each other they only see each other once a year.

I love this trip
It's epic!


I've learnt lots today

★ ROADS and Pavement ★

I think Put holes should be sorted because my close friend Matty Ellis died in a car crash because of put holes it should be sorted.

Park and ride: elderly who can't walk up steep hill can still go by using the small bus

Fostering & Adoption

I think fostering is really important, if it wasn't for my foster parents, I wouldn't be here today. I would be an orphan. I don't want the council to help people in care like me. I'm really thankful for what they have done. I want people to know how I felt and tell them what it's like to be in care. 



Council need to step back a bit on Planning

I feel more money should be spent on the environment, as it links into most things. For example cars let off a lot of harmful emissions, so if we can cut down on cars, some people might have to walk/cycle which would improve health. However, to do that we need to improve cycle paths, & especially on Hykeham road where they added lanes. In addition, I feel we should try and cut down on plastics, electricity use and fossil fuels to help conserve things for future generations. If we can cut down on plastics, we can hopefully stop using landfill ~~and resources~~, which give out greenhouse gases which causes ~~the~~ holes in the ozone layer, causing climate change and damaging the environment. Further more if we can cut down on electricity use we can stop black outs, we could do this by at Christmas each house-hold is only allowed one set of lights.

Another issue is around Lincoln there isn't enough dog poo bins, so there are a lot of bags on the floor.

My Opinions:

ENVIRONMENT

With the outcome of our votes suggesting that we should ~~could~~ ^{you} invest our money a lot less in the environment sector, it perhaps the opposite outcome for what I wanted. This is because I find that many of these services could be linked together. For example, if we were to reduce carbon emissions, then we would have less of a global effect (climate-wise). Also, the large amounts of harmful gases (that have been ~~given~~ given off as a result of pollution) have been linked to lowering life expectancies, and perhaps being the source of lung related ~~respiratory~~ illnesses. So, therefore, if the environment were to be looked after, then we could also look after public health (decreasing our spending in that area). ~~I think that I have~~

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Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills, Director responsible for Democratic Services

Report to:	Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
Date:	18 December 2014
Subject:	Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme

Summary:

This item enables the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to consider both its own work programme and the scrutiny committee work programmes for 2015. The Committee is invited to consider and comment on the content of the work programmes.

Actions Required:

1. To consider and comment on the content of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee work programme, as set out at Appendix A.
2. To approve the work programmes from overview and scrutiny committees set out at Appendix B, or where it feels clarification on certain elements is required, to refer back to the relevant committee for further information prior to approval.
3. To consider and comment on the Working Group activity as set out at Appendix C to this report.
4. To comment on the work programmes in light of the Executive Forward Plan as set out at Appendix D.

1. Background

Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee meets on a monthly basis. Each agenda includes the following items: -

- Call ins (if required)
- Councillor Call for Action (if required)
- Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee Work Programme.
- Scrutiny Committee Work Programmes
- Summary of any Task and Finish Group and Working Group activity

The work programme for this Committee is set out in Appendix A. The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee is invited to consider and comment on the content of this programme.

Scrutiny Committee Work Programmes

The work programme for each scrutiny committee is set out at Appendix B for consideration. These documents provide Members with a key opportunity to manage the work programme of all scrutiny committees.

Committee Working Group Activity

Overview and Scrutiny Committees may establish informal working groups, which usually meet on one or two occasions, usually to consider matters in greater detail, and then to put their proposals to Committee. Details of Working Group activity is set out at Appendix C.

Executive Forward Plan

The Executive Forward Plan of key decisions to be taken from 5 January 2015 is set out at Appendix D. This is background information for the Committee's consideration to ensure that all key decisions are scrutinised by the relevant scrutiny committee.

2. Conclusion

That consideration is given to the content of this report.

3. Consultation

a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

This item does not require Policy Proofing.

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee Work Programme
Appendix B	Scrutiny Committee Work Programmes
Appendix C	Task and Finish Group and Working Group Activity
Appendix D	Executive Forward Plan

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**WORK PROGRAMME**

18 December 2014		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Call-in (if required)		Call-in
Review of Council's Priorities - Consultation Feedback	David Forbes, County Finance Officer	Status Report
Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme	David Hair	Status Report

29 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Call-in (if required)		Call-in
Draft Council Business Plan 2015-16	Jasmine Sodhi, Performance and Equalities Manager	Status Report
Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme	David Hair	Status Report

26 February 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Call-in (if required)		Call-in
Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme	David Hair	Status Report

Future Items

28 May 2015 – Lincolnshire Broadband Programme update

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SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMMES**ADULTS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Councillor Hugo Marfleet

Vice Chairman: Councillor Rosanne Kirk

23 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Local Authority Mental Health Challenge	Justin Hackney, Chief Commissioning Officer - Joint Commissioning Specialist Services Adult Care	Status report
Adult Care Budget 2015-2016	David Laws, Head of Finance	Budget Scrutiny
Better Care Fund 2015-2016	Glen Garrod, Director of Adult Care	Status Report
Extra Care Housing- Procurement of a Developer	Kevin Kendall, Chief Property Officer	Pre-Decision Scrutiny <i>Executive Decision 3 February 2015</i>
All Age Autism Strategy for Lincolnshire	Sharon Jeffreys, Head of Commissioning, Learning Disability and Autism, South West Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group	Pre-Decision Scrutiny <i>Executive Decision 3 February 2015</i>

25 February 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Adult Care – Quarter 3 Performance Report and Customer Satisfaction Report	Emma Scarth, Performance, Quality and Workforce Development Commissioning Manager	Performance Scrutiny
Community Support Procurement	Glen Garrod, Director of Adult Care	Pre-Decision Scrutiny <i>Executive Councillor Decision (date to be advised)</i>

25 February 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Lincolnshire Wellbeing Service	To be confirmed	Update Report
Safeguarding Boards Scrutiny Sub Group Report (7 January 2015)	Catherine Wilman, Democratic Services Officer	Update Report

1 April 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Implementation of the Care Act 2014	Various	Update Report

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CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor John Hough
Vice Chairman: Councillor Bob Adams

16 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Children's Services Budget Proposals 2015/16 – 2018/19	Debbie Barnes Executive Director of Children's Services	Budget Scrutiny
Outcomes from Ofsted Inspection	Debbie Barnes	Status Report
Anti Bullying	Sophie Whitehead Anti Bullying Officer	Status Report
Corporate Parenting Panel Update	Cllr David Brailsford Chairman of the Panel	Member Report
All Age Autism Strategy for Lincolnshire	Sharon Jeffreys, Head of Commissioning, Learning Disability and Autism, South West Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive Decision on 3 February 2015)
Potential Topics for Scrutiny Reviews	Tracy Johnson Scrutiny Officer	Scrutiny Review Activity

6 March 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Proposal to expand capacity at Spalding Monkshouse Primary School (Final Decision)	John O'Connor Children's Service Manager – Education Support	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive Councillor decision on 20 March 2015)
Proposal to expand capacity at Lincoln Bishop King Church of England Primary School (Final Decision)	John O'Connor	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive Councillor decision on 20 March 2015)
Review of Accountability Framework for the Chair of the LSCB, Lead Member for Children's Services and the Director of Children's Services	Debbie Barnes	Status Report
Theme Performance: Quarter 3	Sally Savage Chief Commissioning Officer – Children's	Performance Scrutiny
School Performance 2014 (including Closing the Gap data)	Keith Batty Director of CfBT Education Services	Status Report
Stamford Endowed Schools Scholarship Tapering- Interim (4th Year) Review	Keith Batty	Update Report

6 March 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Lincolnshire Safeguarding Boards Scrutiny Sub-Group Update	Cllr Ron Oxby Chairman of the Sub-Group	Member Report

24 April 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Frontline Social Workers and Safeguarding Scrutiny Review – First Monitoring Update	Janice Spencer Assistant Director – Children's (Safeguarding)	Scrutiny Review Activity
Consultation on the future of Brocklesby Park Primary School and potential closure (Final Decision)	John O'Connor	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive Councillor decision in May 2015)
Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) Neglect Strategy	Andrew Morris LSCB Business Manager	Status Report
Strategic Priorities for 16 - 19(25) Education and Training for 2015/16 – Action Plan	Maggie Freeman 14-19 Commissioner	Status Report
Corporate Parenting Panel Update	Cllr David Brailsford	Member Report
Additional Item		

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COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC SAFETY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor Chris Brewis

Vice Chairman: Councillor Linda Wootten

21 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Budget Proposals for 2015/16	Michelle Grady, Assistant Head of Finance	Budget Scrutiny
Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils (LALC)	Trisha Carter, Chief Executive, LALC	Update Report
Crime and Disorder Priorities 2015/16	Mark Housley, County Officer Public Protection	Update Report
Joint Ambulance Conveyance Project Update	Dave Ramscar, Chief Fire Officer	Update Report

27 January 2015 (Additional Meeting)		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Future Shape of Library Provision	Tony McGinty, Consultant in Public Health (Children's)	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive 3 February 2015)

4 March 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Quarter 3 Performance – 1 October to 31 December 2014	Mark Housley, Dave Ramscar; Jonathan Platt, County Libraries & Heritage Manager; Terri Roche, Consultant in Public Health (Commissioning and Health Improvement)	Performance Scrutiny
Director of Public Health's Annual Report	Tony Hill, Executive Director of Community Wellbeing and Public Health	Status Report

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ECONOMIC SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor Tony Bridges
Vice Chairman: Councillor Chris Pain

13 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Budget Proposals for 2015/16	Andy Gutherson, County Commissioner for Economy and Place Steve Willis, Chief Operating Officer Dave Simpson Technical & Development Finance Manager	Budget Scrutiny
Shaping the EU funding programmes to meet Lincolnshire's aims	Susannah Lewis Funding Team Leader	Policy Development
Sector Development Plan: engineering	Samantha Harrison Enterprise Growth Team Leader	Policy Development
Lincoln Castle Revealed: 2015 programme	Mary Powell Tourism Manager	Status Report
Skegness Countryside Business Park Appraisal (EXEMPT)	Paul Wheatley Group Manager – Economic Development	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive decision on 3 February 2015)

24 February 2015 - Visit to Lincoln Castle		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Lincoln Castle Revealed	Mary Powell	Update Report
Sector Development Plan: tourism	Mary Powell	Policy Development
Theme Performance: Quarter 3	Justin Brown Commissioner for Economic Growth	Performance Scrutiny
Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership update: progress of funded projects	Ruth Carver LEP Manager	Performance Scrutiny
Leader Programme: making businesses and communities aware of funding opportunities	Susannah Lewis	Status Report
Unlocking Rural Housing – scheme justification	Ruth Carver	Policy Development

14 April 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Sector Development Plan: agri-food	Samantha Harrison	Policy Development
Lincoln Cathedral's Role in the City's Continued Growth	Jackie Croft Chapter Clerk and Administrator	Status Report
Influencing government funding for business advice/support	Samantha Harrison	Policy Development
EU funding specifications	Susannah Lewis	Policy Development
Improving employment and skills in Lincolnshire's growing business sectors - Update	Clare Hughes Principal Development Officer	Policy Development

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ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor Lewis Strange

Vice Chairman: Councillor Mrs Victoria Ayling

30 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Heritage Lincolnshire	Andy Gutherson, County Commissioner for Economy and Place	Status Report
Budget Proposals for 2015/16	Andy Gutherson and Steve Willis, Chief Operating Officer	Budget Scrutiny
Climate Local Action Plan Annual Report	Doug Robinson, Sustainability Team Leader	Update Report
Ingoldmells and Spalding Sewage Treatment Works Update	Brian Kane, Anglian Water	Update Report
Green Waste Collections at NKDC	Cllr Ron Oxby	Update Report

27 February 2015		
Flood and Drainage Management Scrutiny Committee		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Investigations held under Section 19 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010	Mark Welsh, Flood Risk and Development Manager	Update Report
Louth and Horncastle Flood Alleviation Schemes Update	Deborah Campbell, Environment Agency	Update Report
Approach to Flooding across the County and Districts	Mark Welsh	Status Report
Effects of Flooding on Agricultural Land	David Hickman, Environmental Services Team Leader (Strategy and Partnerships)	Status Report
Boston Barrier Update	Mark Robinson, Environment Agency	Update Report
Local Prioritisation Methodology	David Hickman	Status Report
Anglian Water Update	Jonathan Glerum, Anglian Water	Update Report

13 March 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Quarter 3 Performance – 1 October to 31 December 2014	Sean Kent, Group Manager Environmental Services	Performance Scrutiny
Community Energy Strategy	Doug Robinson	Update Report
Affordable Warmth Update	Doug Robinson	Update Report
District Heating Options	Sean Kent	Status Report

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HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR LINCOLNSHIRE

Chairman: Councillor Mrs Christine Talbot

Vice Chairman: Councillor Chris Brewis

17 December 2014		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
GP Access – Report of the Lincolnshire Local Medical Committee	Debra Burley, Chief Executive and Dr Kieran Sharrock, Medical Director, Lincolnshire Local Medical Committee	Status Report
Winter Pressures	Gary James, Accountable Officer, Lincolnshire East Clinical Commissioning Group Sarah Furley, Urgent Care Programme Director, Hosted by Lincolnshire East Clinical Commissioning Group	Update
Proposed Congenital Heart Disease Standards and Service Specifications – Final Response of the Committee	Simon Evans, Health Scrutiny Officer	Consultation
Health Lives, Healthy Futures – Engagement Event 17 November 2014	Simon Evans	Update Report
Healthwatch – Publication of Four Reports	Simon Evans	Update Report

14 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust – Action Plan in Response to the Care Quality Commission and the Clinical Strategy	Andrew Morgan, Chief Executive, Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust	Status Report
South West Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group – Introductory Item	Allan Kitt, Chief Officer, South West Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group	Status Report

14 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Care Quality Commission Report on Health of Children Looked After and Safeguarding	Allan Kitt	Update Report
Complaints Overview – United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust	Jennie Negus, Deputy Chief Nurse, United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust	Status Report
East Midlands Ambulance Service Update	Richard Henderson, Director of Operations, East Midlands Ambulance Service	Update Report

11 February 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (To be confirmed)	Polly Grimmett, Project Lead for the Stamford Hospital Redevelopment and John White, Facilities Project Manager.	Update

11 March 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Annual Report of the Director of Public Health	Tony McGinty, Consultant in Public Health (Children's)	Status Report
Process for Updating the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy	Chris Weston, Executive Director of Community Wellbeing and Public Health	Status Report
Quality Accounts 2015 – Arrangements	Simon Evans	Consultation

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HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor Michael Brookes

Vice Chairman: Councillor Andrew Hagues

19 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Winter Maintenance Update	David Davies, Principal Maintenance Engineer	Update Report
Major Schemes Update	Paul Rusted, Infrastructure Commissioner	Update Report
Budget Proposals for 2015/16	Steve Willis, Chief Operating Officer and Andy Gutherson, County Commissioner for Economy and Place	Budget Scrutiny
Lincolnshire Highways Alliance	Paul Rusted	Performance Scrutiny
Grantham Southern Quadrant Link Road Side Road and Compulsory Purchase Orders – Approval to Proceed	Les Outram, Senior Project Leader	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive 3 February 2015)
Future Service Delivery	Steve Willis and Paul Rusted	Status Report
Highways Maintenance Plan	Paul Rusted	Update Report

9 March 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Winter Maintenance Update	David Davies	Update Report
Major Schemes Update	Paul Rusted	Update Report
Q3 Performance Report – 1 October to 31 December 2014	Steve Willis	Performance Scrutiny
Protocol for Emergency Level Crossing Closures	TBC	Status Report
Civil Parking Enforcement – Mid-Year Update	Mick Phoenix, Parking Services Manager	Update Report
Draft Speed Limit Policy	Graeme Butler, Projects Manager and Andy Wharff, Area Highways Manager	Update Report

20 April 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Winter Maintenance Update	David Davies	Update Report
Major Schemes Update	Paul Rusted	Update Report

<i>20 April 2015</i>		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Lincolnshire Highways Alliance	Paul Rusted	Performance Scrutiny

For more information about the work of the Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee please contact Louise Tyers, Scrutiny Officer, on 01522 552102 or by e-mail at louise.tyers@lincolnshire.gov.uk

VALUE FOR MONEY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor Mrs Angela Newton

Vice Chairman: Councillor Mrs Jackie Brockway

27 January 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Budget Proposals 2015-16	David Forbes, County Finance Officer	Budget Scrutiny

10 March 2015 (date to be changed to late February)		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
2014/15 Council Business Plan, Revenue and Capital Budget and Customer Satisfaction, Quarter 3	Jasmine Sodhi, Performance & Equalities Manager	Budget Scrutiny / Performance Scrutiny
Treasury Management Performance Quarter 3	Karen Tonge, Treasury Manager	Performance Scrutiny
Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy 2015/16	Karen Tonge	Status Report

28 April 2015		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Property Update	Kevin Kendall, Chief Property Officer	Update Report

Items to be scheduled:

Lincoln Castle Revealed – End of project review - 2015

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Task and Finish Group Review Activity

(as at 10 December 2014)

Current Reviews

Committee	Task & Finish Group	Next Meeting(s)	Completion Date
Economic Scrutiny Committee	The Impact of Transportation on Maximising Economic Growth	Executive Response to 9 December 2014 meeting	10 June 2014

All completed review reports to be approved by parent scrutiny committee before consideration at a meeting of the County Council's Executive.

Working Group Activity

(as at 10 December 2014)

Committee	Working Group	Meeting Date(s)	Notes (if Any)
Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	Child Poverty Strategy	Meetings TBC	<p>The Working Group comprises Councillors Bob Adams, Mrs Jackie Brockway, John Hough, and Mrs Jane Smith.</p> <p>Responsibility for the Child Poverty Strategy is in the process of being transferred from Children's Services to Public Health.</p>
Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	School Improvement	23 or 26 January 2015 (TBC)	The Working Group comprises Councillors Mrs Jackie Brockway and Sarah Dodds, and Mrs Emma Olivier-Townrow.
Environmental Scrutiny Committee	Textiles Recycling	Meetings TBC	The Working Group comprises Councillors Michael Brookes, Tony Bridges, Chris Pain and Robin Renshaw.
Flood and Drainage Management Scrutiny Committee	Flood Risk Management Plans	Friday 9 January 2015	The Working Group comprises County Councillors Chris Brewis and Lewis Strange, District Councillors Mrs Fiona Martin and Bob Russell and Mr Robert Caudwell (Anglian North Regional Flood and Coastal Committee)

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I008265 New!	Endorsement of Spalding Transport Strategy	Open	Executive Councillor: Highways, Transport, IT 5 Jan 2015	Public and stakeholders as outlined in Strategy report; Spalding Town Form; and Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee	Report	County Commissioner - Economy and Place Tel: 01522 554827 Email: andy.gutherson@lincolnshire.gov.uk	Spalding East and Moulton; Spalding Elloe; Spalding South; Spalding West
I008082	Council Budget 2015/16	Open	Executive 6 Jan 2015		Report	Technical and Development Finance Manager Tel: 01522 553008 Email: dave.simpson@lincolnshire.gov.uk	All Divisions
I006984	Skegness Countryside Business Park Appraisal	Exempt	Executive 3 Feb 2015	Local Divisional Member	Exempt Report	Group Manager - Economic Development Tel: 01522 550600 Email: paul.wheatley@lincolnshire.gov.uk	Wainfleet and Burgh
I007380	Grantham Southern Quadrant Link Road Side Road and Compulsory Purchase Orders - Approval to Proceed	Open	Executive 3 Feb 2015	Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee	Report	Senior Project Leader Tel: 01522 555584 Email: les.outram@lincolnshire.gov.uk	Grantham Barrowby; Grantham East; Grantham North; Grantham North West; Grantham South

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I007479	Extra Care Housing - Procurement of Developer	Open	Executive 3 Feb 2015	Relevant Executive Councillors	Report	Chief Property Officer Tel: 01522 553726 Email: kevin.kendall@lincolnshire.gov.uk	
I007586	Future Shape of Library Provision	Open	Executive 3 Feb 2015		Report	Executive Director of Community Wellbeing and Public Health Tel: 01522 552902 Email: tony.hill@lincolnshire.gov.uk	All Divisions
I008083	Council Budget 2015/16	Open	Executive 3 Feb 2015		Report	Technical and Development Finance Manager Tel: 01522 553008 Email: dave.simpson@lincolnshire.gov.uk	All Divisions
I008262 New!	Approval of Lincolnshire's All-Age Autism Strategy 2015-2018	Open	Executive 3 Feb 2015	Public consultation, Clinical Commissioning Group Governing Bodies, Joint Commissioning Board, Health and Wellbeing Board, Adults Scrutiny Committee and Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	Report	Commissioning Officer, Adult Care Tel: 01522 555380 Email: robert.barber@lincolnshire.gov.uk	All Divisions

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I008084	Libraries and Heritage Charges	Open	Executive Councillor: Libraries, Heritage, Culture, Registration and Coroners Service 3 Feb 2015		Report	Consultant in Public Health - Children's Tel: 01522 554229 Email: tony.mcginity@lincolnshire.gov.uk	All Divisions
I008264 New!	Fire and Rescue Integrated Risk Management Planning - Results of Consultation 2015/16	Open	Executive 3 Mar 2015	Public consultation, Community and Public Safety Scrutiny Committee	Report	Chief Fire Officer Tel: 01522 582205 Email: dave.ramscar@lincolnshire.gov.uk	All Divisions
I008266 New!	Proposal to expand capacity at Spalding Monkshouse Primary School (final decision)	Open	Executive Councillor: Adult Care and Health Services, Children's Services 20 Mar 2015	Interested parties as DfE guidance including parents, school staff, neighbouring schools, County and District Councils, MPs, Trade Unions and Diocese	Report	Children's Service Manager - Education Support Tel: 01522 553213 Email: john.o'connor@lincolnshire.gov.uk	Spalding East and Moulton; Spalding Elloe; Spalding South; Spalding West

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EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Councillor Name	Portfolio
Councillor M J Hill OBE (Leader of the Council)	Governance, Communications and Commissioning
Councillor Mrs P A Bradwell (Deputy Leader)	Adult Care and Health Services, Children's Services
Councillor C J Davie	Economic Development, Environment, Planning, Tourism
Councillor R G Davies	Highways, Transport, IT
Councillor M S Jones	Finance, Property
Councillor P A Robinson	Fire and Rescue, Emergency Planning, Trading Standards, Equality and Diversity
Councillor R A Shore	Waste, Recycling
Councillor Mrs S Woolley	NHS Liaison, Community Engagement
Councillor C N Worth	Libraries, Heritage, Culture, Registration and Coroners Service
Councillor B Young	Crime Reduction, People Management, Legal