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Environmental Scrutiny Committee

A meeting of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee will be held on **Friday, 31 July 2015 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

Tony McArdle Chief Executive

<u>Membership of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee</u> (11 Members of the Council)

Councillors C L Strange (Chairman), Mrs V C Ayling (Vice-Chairman), A M Austin, C J T H Brewis, A Bridges, M Brookes, J R Marriott, N M Murray, C R Oxby, C Pain and R A Renshaw

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Agenda Item 3



ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 12 JUNE 2015

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR C L STRANGE (CHAIRMAN)

Councillors Mrs V C Ayling (Vice-Chairman), A M Austin, C J T H Brewis, A Bridges, M Brookes, J R Marriott, C R Oxby, C Pain and R A Renshaw

Executive Councillors C J Davie and R A Shore attended the meeting and spoke.

Councillors: R G Fairman, R L Foulkes, C J Davie, R A Shore and S M Tweedale attended the meeting as observers

Officers in attendance:-

Steve Blagg (Democratic Services Officer), David Hickman (Environmental Services Team Leader (Strategy and Partnership), Sean Kent (Group Manager Environment Services), Douglas Robinson (Environmental Services Team Leader (Sustainability)), Louise Tyers (Scrutiny Officer) and Steve Willis (Chief Operating Officer)

1 <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/REPLACEMENT MEMBERS</u>

An apology for absence was received from Councillor N M Murray.

2 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

No declarations of interests were made at this stage of the meeting.

3 <u>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL</u> <u>SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD ON 13 MARCH 2015</u>

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the previous meeting of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee held on 13 March 2015, be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4 <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR, ECONOMIC</u> <u>DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT, PLANNING, TOURISM AND SENIOR</u> <u>OFFICERS (ECONOMY AND PLACE)</u>

Executive Councillor C J Davie stated that the Infrastructure Planning Commission was going to examine RWE Energy Company's infrastructure plans for their proposed Tritton Knoll Wind Farm in the North Sea. An application was also coming from Viking Link Interconnector at Bicker Fen and he had asked the Secretary of

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State to hold all of these inquiries together as both applications could affect the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park which was a major concern.

The Committee supported the Executive Councillor's comments adding that any proposed Sub Station for Tritton Knoll should be constructed in the vicinity of the Humber Estuary not Bicker Fen in the south east of the county.

Executive Councillor C J Davie stated that he had sought the support of the Secretary of State for his views on the need to prevent the construction of Solar Farms on agricultural land which should be used exclusively for food production.

Executive Councillor C J Davie stated that the Chairman of Addlethorpe Parish Council had complained to him about recent odour from the Sewerage Treatment works at Ingoldmells. Louise Tyers agreed to notify the Parish Council about when Anglian Water would be providing an update to the Committee giving them the opportunity to submit any comments.

In response to an enquiry by the Chairman in connection with the need to set up a Working Group of Members to examine waste collection practices in the county after this matter had been discussed by the Committee on 13 March 2015 (minute 57 refers). Executive Councillor R A Shore welcomed this proposal and it was agreed to examine this matter further when the Work Programme.

The Committee agreed to examine the use of revenue raised by the Salvation Army from the recycling of clothes and shoes and proposals on how to make savings in next year's budget at a future meeting.

Following an enquiry from the Chairman in connection with the appointment of a member from either Lincoln or North Hykeham to examine how Affordable Warmth was taken forward it was agreed to examine this matter further at the meeting of the Committee on 4 September 2015.

5 QUARTER 4 PERFORMANCE - 1 JANUARY TO 31 MARCH 2015

The Committee received a report in connection with Quarter 4 Performance for Environmental Services for the period 1 January to 31 March 2015. Officers drew attention to the following:-

1. The level of re-cyclate being collected by the Districts had dropped for the reasons outlined in the report.

2. 92% of black bin waste was being diverted to the Energy from Waste plant at North Hykeham.

Comments made by the Committee included:-

1. The need to examine the cost of sending green waste to the Energy from Waste plant at North Hykeham.

2. What was Defra's view about the disposal of green waste and was it possible to change this view?

3. Improvements in recycling would improve the amount of waste sent to the Energy from Waste plant.

4. There was a need to avoid being too restrictive with District Councils on their waste collection processes as they had had to make substantial savings in their budgets.

5. Recycling was often seen as too complex for the public.

6. Once waste was received at the Energy from Waste plant was there a need to resort the waste received before it was burned?

7. Had households been asked to do more with regard to the recycling of dry recyclables?

Officers' responses included:-

1. The introduction of a code of practice for the recycling of green waste in March/April or September/October of each year and the introduction of an education programme for the public in co-operation with the District Councils, would be examined.

2. The County Council had briefed District Councils about the operational processes of the Energy from Waste plant.

3. Incineration was monitored on a daily basis but as District Councils had different collection processes this was an issue that required examination. The County Council worked closely with the District Councils to ensure that the public received the best service.

Executive Councillor R A Shore welcomed the Committee's support to set up a working group of Members to examine recycling processes in the county.

RESOLVED

That the report and comments made by the Committee be noted.

6 <u>APPOINTMENT OF LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN/CARE LEAVER</u> <u>REPRESENTATIVE</u>

The Committee received a report which invited the Environmental Scrutiny Committee to appoint a Looked After Children/Care Leaver representative for the Committee, following approval of the Corporate Parenting Strategy at the meeting of the Council on 19 December 2014.

RESOLVED

That Councillor C L Strange be appointed as the Committee's Looked After Children/Care Leaver representative and that it be noted that Councillor C L Strange will also represent the Flood and Drainage Management Scrutiny Committee.

7 POTENTIAL DISTRICT HEATING SCHEME

The Committee received a progress report on a grant awarded by the Heat Network Development Unit to support the establishment of a district heating scheme.

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Officers, with the aid of a tabled map showing the geographical area which could take heat from the Energy from Waste plant, explained how the grant was aimed at kick starting district heating projects through a number of development stages and the appointment of consultants. While it was not possible to force developers to take excess heat from the plant it was possible for the Council to influence the planning system to ensure that consideration was given by developers to using heat from the plant.

Officers' responses to comments made by the Committee included:-

1. The use the excess heat for a swimming pool by the University of Lincoln would be examined and both the University and the County Hospital were included in the consultation process.

2. Heated water from the Energy from Waste plant was able to travel a radius of 4 km without losing its warmth.

3. The inclusion of the project in the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan would be examined.

RESOLVED

That the comments made by the Committee be actioned accordingly and the report be noted.

8 <u>SCORE SCHOOLS PRESENTATION</u>

The Committee received a report and presentations from three schools (Louth Monks Dyke Tennyson College, Osgodby Primary School and North Hykeham Fosse Way Primary School) in connection with the Schools Collaboration on Resource Efficiency (SCoRE) programme and in the case of Osgodby Primary School to give a talk on their role as Lincolnshire Carbon Ambassadors at the school.

The Committee welcomed the various initiatives which had been developed by the schools to save energy and stated that the schools needed to share their good practices with other schools. The Schools responded to questions from the Committee.

The Chairman thanked the schools for their presentations and Douglas Robinson and his staff for their work on the SCoRE programme.

RESOLVED

(a) That the Committee place on record its appreciation to the schools for their excellent presentations.

(b) That officers arrange for the video presentation by Fosse Way Primary School to be circulated to the Committee.

9 <u>ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME</u>

The Committee received a report on its Work Programme.

RESOLVED

That the Work Programme be noted and updated accordingly subject to consideration of the setting up of a Members' Group to consider waste recycling at the next meeting of the Committee.

10 CONSIDERATION OF EXEMPT INFORMATION

On a motion by Councillor C J T H Brewis, seconded by Councillor A M Austin, it was –

RESOLVED

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 of the Act.

11 BOURNE HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING CENTRE

(NOTE: Councillor R A Renshaw requested that a note should be made in the minutes that members of his family lived in Bourne).

The Committee received a report in connection with the decision and the reasons for it, made by the Executive Councillors for Waste and Recycling and Finance and Property on 23 April 2015, for the construction and operation of a Council owned Household Waste Recycling Centre in Bourne.

The Committee commented on the financial cost of the project and the current arrangements for the disposal of the waste.

RESOLVED

That the decision made by the Executive Councillors for Waste and Recycling and Finance and Property on 23 April 2015 for the construction and operation of a Council owned Household Waste Recycling Centre in Bourne, be supported.

12 AWARD OF COUNTYWIDE MIXED DRY RECYCLABLES CONTRACT

The Committee received a report in connection with the need to scrutinise the award of a countywide mixed recyclables contract, which was due to be considered by the Executive Councillor for Waste and Recycling on 24 June 2015.

The Chairman apologised for the lateness of the report.

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Following comments by the Committee about the late receipt of the report and the inability of the Committee to give full consideration to its implications it was –

RESOLVED

That due to the late receipt of the report which did not allow the Committee sufficient time to consider its implications the report be deferred to a meeting of the Committee arranged for 10am on 17 July 2015.

(Post Meeting Note - Following advice from Legal Services the date arranged for meeting to consider this report did not meet the urgency provision required by legislation. Following consultation with the Chairman an alternative date and time of the meeting was arranged for 10am on 23 June 2015)

The meeting closed at 1.10 pm



ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 23 JUNE 2015

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR C L STRANGE (CHAIRMAN)

Councillors Mrs V C Ayling (Vice-Chairman), C J T H Brewis, J R Marriott, C Pain and G J Ellis

Executive Councillor R A Shore for Waste and Recycling attended the meeting and spoke

Councillors: R G Fairman, R A Shore and A H Turner MBE JP for Waste and Recycling, attended the meeting as observers

Officers in attendance:-

Steve Blagg (Democratic Services Officer), Andrew Houseman (Senior Procurement Officer), Marie Kaempfe-Rice (Senior Procurement Officer), Sean Kent (Group Manager Environment Services), Louise Tyers (Scrutiny Officer) and Steve Willis (Chief Operating Officer)

13 <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/MEMBERSHIP CHANGES</u>

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A M Austin, A Bridges, M Brookes, N M Murray and C R Oxby.

The Chief Executive reported that having received notice under Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, he had appointed Councillor G J Ellis as a replacement member on the Committee in place of Councillors R A Renshaw, for this meeting only.

14 CONSIDERATION OF EXEMPT INFORMATION

RESOLVED

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 of the Act.

15 <u>AWARD OF COUNTYWIDE MIXED DRY RECYCLABLES CONTRACT</u>

The Committee received a report on the award of a Countywide Mixed Recyclables Contract which was due to be considered by the Executive Councillor for Waste and

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Recycling on 24 June 2015. The views of the Committee would be reported to the Executive Councillor as part of his consideration of this item.

The Executive Councillor for Waste and Recycling presented the report and apologised for its delay to the Environmental Scrutiny Committee on 12 June 2015, when it was originally due to be considered, due to a delay in receiving legal and resources comments. The Committee had agreed to defer consideration of the report to this meeting to allow more time to consider the report.

The Executive Councillor for Waste and Recycling outlined the reasons to award the contract for the receipt, haulage, sorting and marketing of mixed dry recyclable materials countywide to the contractor detailed in the report.

The Executive Councillor for Waste and Recycling and officers responded to comments and questions raised by the Committee, including:-

1. Health and Safety issues, including the management of risk and processes by the company and the monitoring thereof by the County Council.

2. Outlined the reasons for the lack of response from other contractors in the tendering process.

3. The current market conditions for dry recyclables were explained.

On a motion by Councillor J R Marriott, seconded by Councillor C J T H Brewis, it was –

RESOLVED (5 votes for and 1 against)

That the recommendation to the Executive Councillor for Waste and Recycling detailed in the report by supported and that officers and the Executive Councillor be thanked for addressing the Committee's concerns.

The meeting closed at 11.00 am



Policy and Scrutiny

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

Report to:	Environmental Scrutiny Committee
Date:	31 July 2015
Subject:	Ingoldmells and Spalding Sewage Treatment Works Update

Summary:

This report provides a summary of the situation regarding odours from the Ingoldmells and Spalding Sewage Treatment Works. Ingoldmells was first brought to the attention of the Committee in November 2012 with further reports in 2013, 2014 and 2015. Spalding was considered by the Committee in 2014 and 2015.

Paul Dimbleby, Lincolnshire Tactical Support Manager at Anglian Water has now provided the following update on the current issues at the site.

Actions Required:

The Committee is invited to consider and comment on the report and consider if it wishes to receive a further update at a future meeting of the Committee.

1. Background

Ingoldmells

At the January 2015 Committee meeting concerns were raised about the capacity of the Ingoldmells Water Recycling Centre and sewer network to be able to cope with an increase in future visitor and resident numbers:

Water Recycling Centre Capacity

Has the capacity to cope with an additional 52% of the maximum load currently received from residents and visitors in peak season without any modification.

Sewer Network

Surveys and modelling have identified that the gravity sewer in High Street and part of Skegness Road is the first part of the network that would reach capacity due to future growth. The sewer is still able to accommodate an additional 1000 people connected at any point in time from the part of Ingoldmells that it serves. This is on

top of the current maximum flow received from residents and visitors in peak season. This capacity could be increased further by re-routing some flows upstream of High Street if required.

The sewers along the High Street and Skegness Road are susceptible to becoming blocked with discharges of fat, oils and grease in to the sewers. To mitigate this we have increased the frequency of our sewer cleaning programme and are working with local businesses and caravan parks to reduce the amount of unsuitable material put in to the sewers.

Ingoldmells odour issues

A Residents Group odour meeting was held on 18th May 2015 and attended by Anglian Water, Envent (consultant), East Lindsey District Council and members of Ingoldmells Parish Council and the residents group. An update was given on the ongoing investigations in to the remaining local sewer odours, the installation of 2 additional sewer septicity dosing systems and a new weather monitoring station installed at the Water Recycling Centre to help with the understanding of odour sources in the event of any odour complaints.

The feedback from residents was that the issue of widespread odours was very much improved but there remain occasional intermittent odours that affect very localised areas. We stressed the importance of receiving timely notification of problems and we continue to investigate these occasional odours using feedback received from residents via our Call Centre, dedicated email address and Odour Cards.

Since the weather monitoring station was installed we have received 2 odour complaints from the same property on a caravan park. Using data from the weather station it is clear that the odour source was local to the affected caravan and did not originate from the Water Recycling Centre. We will be carrying out monitoring in the network around the caravan park to try and identify the cause of the problem and have written to the resident with an update on our findings and the next steps.

So far in 2015 we have received 6 odour complaints from 2 residents, this compares with 177 odour complaints in 2010. Further investigations have identified that the source of odours triggering these complaints were localised issues in the sewer network and not the Water Recycling Centre. We continue to work with East Lindsey District Council to understand and tackle these remaining localised odour sources.

Investment at Ingoldmells Water Recycling Centre

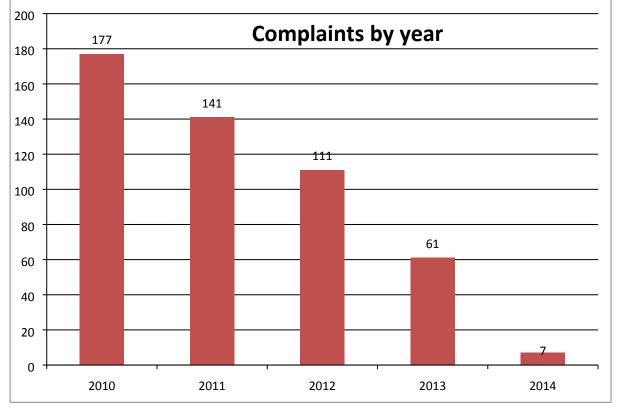
We have invested almost £1,000,000 and completed extensive work, including:

- Installation of a weather monitoring station
- Permanent setup of iron dosing to reduce odours from the centrifuge building where we thicken sludge for recycling
- Updating of the Odour Dispersion model to measure the beneficial impact of the work completed

- £200,000 on the building of a covered sludge storage tank
- Proactive use of £30,000 of odour neutralising sprays at the treatment plant

Investment in Ingoldmells sewerage network

- Permanent installation of a £70,000 septicity dosing network in the sewerage system of Ingoldmells
- Joint working with Butlins to install a septicity dosing system on their discharge upstream of our Haven pumping station
- Installation of a further 2 septicity dosing systems in trial locations
- Consultant contracted to undertake odour logging and weekly sampling to optimise chemical dose rates and ensure odour is minimised
- Investigations have identified some lengths of sewer affected by significant fat, oil and grease (FOG) deposits. These have been cleared and we hope to work with local food establishments and residents to minimise future problems.



Complaints History 2010-2014

Spalding

Spalding odour issues

There has been one odour complaint relating to the Spalding Water Recycling Centre in 2015. This occurred on the morning of 7th July and was reported by a neighbouring commercial premises, a review of wind data confirms that the odour is likely to have originated from the recycling centre.

Water Recycling Centre Update

Repairs to the sludge storage tanks and lime sludge dosing system were completed towards the end of last year as previously reported. The plant has continued to operate as normal since then.

For the last few months we have been running a trial mixing iron rich sludge from other water recycling centres with the sludge produced on site at Spalding. Early indications are that this has been successful in significantly reducing the amount of odorous sulphide gas released during sludge dewatering. The trial is continuing and we are reviewing the future installation of an iron sludge dosing system on site.

Sewer Network Update

The long sewer network in the Spalding area combined with a large number of pumping stations and factory trade effluent discharges can result in septic sewage arriving at the Water Recycling Centre. When this happens it can release hydrogen sulphide gas which gives rise to a rotten egg type smell which can be detected at very low concentrations.

As noted elsewhere, the use of nitrate dosing in the sewer network has proved very successful in reducing septicity and odours in other networks. We now have nitrate dosing systems in place at various pumping stations around Spalding. The reliability of the largest chemical dosing system (which doses half of all the chemical used in the entire sewer network) is much improved since refurbishment work was completed on it in February.

We continue to review the location and volumes of chemical used in light of sample results, our own odour monitoring and any customer complaints. This work is ongoing and the location and dose rate of nitrate will continue to be reviewed through the year.

2. Conclusion

This report provides a summary of the issues and the progress made to date to solve the odour problems at the Ingoldmells and Spalding sites.

3. Consultation

a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

n/a

4. 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 Louise Tyers, who can be contacted on 01522 552102 or louise.tyers@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

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Policy and Scrutiny

Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills, Executive Director for Environment and Economy

Report to:	Environmental Scrutiny Committee
Date:	31 st July 2015
Subject:	Countryside Access

Summary: A report to outline the role and duties of Lincolnshire County Council in Countryside Access Work.

Actions Required:

The Committee is asked to comment on the issues detailed in the report.

1. Background

Countryside Access includes all County Council involvement in public rights of way (PROW) work inclusive of, maintenance, enforcement and the custodianship and maintenance of the Definitive Map & Statement as well as leading on access to open countryside and acting as the appointing authority for Local Access Forums.

• Maintenance & Enforcement of Public Rights of Way (PROW)

Public Footpath (PF)	 Pedestrian only (with natural accompaniment such as a dog, pushchair etc.)
 Public Bridleway (PB) 	 Pedestrian, Equestrian and Cyclists
 Restricted Byway (RB) 	 As Bridleway but also with horse drawn carriages.

Byway Open to All Traffic (BOAT) – All classes of vehicles

All PROW are public highways and in its capacity as highway authority the County Council has a duty to sign, maintain, assert and protect public rights of way.

<u>Enforcement</u> of PROW is undertaken by officers based locally around the County and will normally include ensuring routes are reinstated after ploughing, that they remain unobstructed by crops or by structures such as fences, barbed wire or

locked gates. LCC has a specific Enforcement Policy to deal with the most common forms of action required.

<u>Grass Cutting</u> is undertaken on a selection of paths twice a year and on an ad hoc basis for other paths as time and resources allow.

<u>Bridges</u> are generally the responsibility of the authority. This is a significant cost pressure as many bridges were installed in a period 20-40 years ago and, as a consequence of being predominantly of a timber construction, are beginning to fail. There are approximately 900 bridges over 5m in length across the County.

<u>Gates and stiles</u> are usually the responsibility of the owner / occupier of a field. The County Council cannot authorise new stiles or gates unless they are required for the control of animals on agricultural land. We are responsible for 25% of the cost of installation and maintenance and policy for many years is that we will provide the materials as our one–off contribution in this regard.

To enable appropriate management of resources the Council operates a priority policy for reports of required maintenance or enforcement on PROW. A copy of the scheme is shown in Appendix A.

• The Definitive Map & Statement

These two documents form the legal record of public rights of way in the County and routes shown upon it provides legally conclusive evidence of the existence of those rights.

<u>Definitive Map Modification Orders (DMMOs</u>) - In its role as Surveying Authority the County Council must keep the Map & Statement under continuous review either following the submission of an application and evidence from the public that:

- 1) There is a route not depicted that should be, or
- 2) There is a route depicted that shouldn't be, or
- 3) A route that is depicted is shown at the wrong status, or
- 4) There is an error in the Statement accompanying the Map that requires amending (e.g. wrong width recorded)

Following analysis of evidence and consultation the Council believes the Map and / or Statement requires amending then a DMMO is made. Evidence could include historic documentation and maps and / or sufficient evidence that the public have been using a route for a period of 20 or more years.

Similarly should the County Council itself discover evidence that the map requires correcting then a DMMO should be made.

Should an order be unopposed following public consultation the requisite alterations to the Definitive Map & Statement are made. It objections are submitted then the Council is obliged to send the order to the Secretary of State who will, in most cases, require a public inquiry prior to issuing a determination on the order.

<u>Public Path Orders (PPOs)</u> – This is the collective name for a range of orders to alter the map.

- 1) Diversion Orders Including special orders for land used for Railways, Sites of Special Scientific Interest and Schools and where planning permission has been sought / granted.
- 2) Extinguishment Orders Can only be made where it is demonstrated that a right of way is no longer necessary.
- 3) Creation Orders Where a need can be demonstrated and usually used where there is no known landowner. Can be used to create routes against a landowners will if it is deemed necessary.
- 4) Creation / Dedication Agreements Where a landowner specifically dedicates a route for public use.

Similarly to DMMOs if a PPO is objected to during statutory consultation it can only be then confirmed by the Secretary of State. Unlike DMMOs however the County Council are not obliged to submit them.

<u>Statutory Declarations</u> – A landowner can protect themselves against a claim for presumed dedication over a 20 yr period by filing a Statutory Declaration with the authority. The Countryside Access team processes these at a rechargeable cost.

<u>Permissive Paths</u> – Whilst the Council has no obligations or control over such paths they can have a significant benefit in connecting legal rights of way to form recreational routes.

<u>Deregulation Act 2015</u> – The County Council faces a significant change in the way that definitive map work is undertaken following the recent passing of legislation. As yet the associated regulations have not been written and the Act has not come into force. Some of the stipulations of the Act (concerning PROW) are listed as:

- Drawing to close the opportunity to apply to have routes added to the Definitive Map and Statement based purely on historical documentation – This may see a significant spike in applications between now and the given cut-off date of 2026.
- A new system of processing DMMOs to assist in making them less adversarial – This will require extra input from the authority however there should be a saving by allowing authorities to disregard "irrelevant objections" (i.e. those that do not challenge the evidence but concern security, need and amenity).

A "right to apply" for a PPO – Currently the authority is not obliged to accept applications to divert or extinguish PROW and has no need to provide reasons why an order will not be pursued. It should be remembered that this new legislation will be a right to apply but not a right to have an order or for any order to be confirmed.

• The Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP)

The ROWIP is a statutory document prepared by each highway authority across England & Wales. It is designed to act as a business plan policy document for a period of no more than 10 years prior to review.

Lincolnshire won the national award for the authority conducting the best community engagement during the period of assessing the existing PROW network and public "need".

The ROWIP guides what improvements LCC would like to make to the network in terms of route alignment, maintenance, promotion and access to the network itself. It is written under 5 policy areas:

- Core Tasks
- Sustainable Transport
- Health & Wellbeing
- Rural Economy & Tourism
- Social Issues

Lincolnshire's ROWIP was published in 2007 and was designed to be reviewed in 2012. Due to the ongoing uncertainty this has been extended and a document based on a more limited needs and network assessment will be submitted to the Environmental Scrutiny Committee for adoption as ROWIP2 later in 2015.

A recent report as to the progress of works and projects contributing to the ROWIP can be found in Appendix B.

• Open Access Land

This is often mis-named the "Right to Roam" whereas in fact the legislation actually grants access on foot to specifically mapped areas of mountain, moorland, downland and heath as well as any land subsequently dedicated as access land and Registered Common Land.

For a County with the geographic size of Lincolnshire there is actually very little Open Access Land with the full list of areas being small in size:

Mountain, Moorland, Downland, Heath

- > Alma Park
- Ancaster Valley
- Scotton Common
- Greetwell Hollow
- Kirkby Moor
- Red Hill
- Scotton Beck Fields
- Swinstead Valley
- Woodnook Valley

Subsequently Dedicated Land

> The Forestry Commission Estate in Lincolnshire

Registered Common Land

- > Many small pockets of land in villages across the County
- Cow Paddle Lincoln
- Lincoln South Common
- Lincoln West Common

The County Council has an Open Access Land Management Plan which outlines our responsibilities to provide signage for the areas and what works we will do to ensure the public can access the land.

• Coastal Access Land

Following the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 a further element of Open Access Land was added to the list to include an around England right of way on foot with associated "spreading room" This is commonly known as the English Coastal Path.

The Countryside Access section will be working with Natural England on the implementation of the path in Lincolnshire. Following the then Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg's announcement in 2014 that the implementation programme was to be accelerated, the initial start-up meeting with Natural England for the stretches from the Norfolk county boundary to Skegness and from Skegness to Donna Nook took place on 21st July 2015.

Once finalised and having worked through the statutory process the route will become Lincolnshire's only National Trail.

• Picnic Sites & Coastal Access Sites

The Countryside Access Section also manages specific areas of land given over to be picnic sites (with our without an associated concession for selling food and drink) and areas that serve as access onto the coastline, usually small car parking areas.

Picnic Sites

- Willingham Woods (With Toilets & Concessions)
- > Tattershall (With Toilets & Concessions)
- Legbourne (With Toilets)
- > Stickney
- Sutton Bridge
- Scampton Viewpoint

Coastal Access Sites

- > Anderby Creek Car Park and Toilets
- > Chapel St Leonards Car Park, Picnic Area and Toilets
- Freiston Shore Car Park
- Huttoft Car Parks & Toilets
- Huttoft Mogg`s Eye Car Park
- Marsh Yard Car Park,
- > Theddlethorpe St Helen, Crook Bank Car Park

• Local Access Forums

The Countryside Access Forum is also responsible for the administration, organisation and appointments to the County's two joint local access forums (JLAFs):

- Mid-Lincolnshire Joint Local Access Forum (with Northeast Lincolnshire Council)
- South Lincolnshire and Rutland Joint Local Access Forum (with Rutland County Council)

The County Council has a statutory duty to consider the opinions of the JLAFS when undertaking projects or other access related work. The JLAFs meet quarterly and LCC is represented by two councillors on each forum. Cllrs McNally and Hoyes on the Mid-Lincs JLAF and Cllrs Wootton and Brailsford on the South Lincs and Rutland JLAF.

• Volunteer Management

Following a reduction in resources following the previous "Core Offer" for Highways work it became more important to "work differently".

As a consequence we now engage with volunteers in three specific areas:

Ramblers – The County Council now uses the Ramblers to undertake the "snapshot survey" of 10% of the County's network which used to be carried

out as a national Best Value Performance Indicator as to the state of the network. The most recent results are shown in the table below:

Definition: Percentage, by length, of the ROW of	network that is e-	isy to use.						Last Updated	20/07/2015	
					Year	of Survey				
Month of Survey	2001 /2002 5% by length	2002 /2003 5% by length	2003 /2004 5% by length	2004 /2005 5% by length	2005/2006 10% by length	2006/2007 10% by length	2007 /2008 10% by length	2008 /2009 10% by length	2009/ 2010 10% by length	2010 /2011 10% by length
May	No Survey (foot & mouth)	52.16	54.48	62.82	74.45	82.07	63.91	68.73	74.72	72.6
November	59.06	64.18	74.68	56.25	75.59	63.94	75.25	68.64	74.14	76.41
Overall Annual Spot Score	59.06	57.80	64.50	59.82	75.02	73.01	69.65	68.68	74.43	74.51
4 yr Average Score				60.30	64.29	68.08	69.45	71.59	71.44	71.82
P.S.A Target		Baseline	64.40%	70.80%	77.80%					
LTP2 Local Indicator Target	spot score					76.00%	77.00%	77.00%		
Spot Score Required to meet 4yr Ave. Target LTP2 Local Indicator Target	4yr average								72.66 71%	71.24 71%
Rights Of Way - LTP 16 Indicator (BVPI178 unti	1 2008/2009)									
		asy to use.						Last Updated	20/07/2015	
Rights Of Way - LTP 16 Indicator (BVP1178 unti Definition: Percentage, by length, of the ROW n		asy to use.				of Survey				
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Definition: Percentage, by length, of the ROW r. Month of Survey May November		159 to use.	10% by length 82.76	10% by length 62.21	2013/2014 10% by length 73.88	2014/2015 10% by length 59.59	10% by length	2016/2017 10% by	2017 /2018 10% by	
Definition: Percentage, by length, of the ROW n Month of Survey		159 to use.	10% by length 82.76 71.73	10% by length 62.21 60.8	2013/2014 10% by length 73.88 70.09	2014/2015 10% by length 59.59 67.69	10% by length 69.01	2016/ 2017 10% by length	2017/2018 10% by length	10% by length

Parish Paths Partnership (P3) – Since 1995 The County Council has run a parish assistance scheme whereby parish councils can bid for grant money to enable them to take greater ownership of their PROW networks. Works undertaken vary from minor improvements to structures such as stiles and gates to the provision of map boards and promotional literature.

Countryside Commission (now Natural England) funding ceased in 2000 and the Council has been the sole funder for the grans since. Officers are increasingly finding that the annual grant requests are predominantly for grass cutting in the summer months.

County Volunteers – In addition to the work done with Ramblers the Council also has a scheme for individual members of the public where inspections are undertaken on an annual basis around the County by a group of dedicated volunteers. There is now just over 100 registered volunteers who will inspect routes for faults and, if possible, undertake minor works such as waymarking and small scale vegetation clearance themselves.

MONTH	VOLUNTEER
	HOURS
January	92.75
February	89.25
March	105
April	88.25
May	133.25
June	107.5

Total for 6 months 616 hours

2. Conclusion

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 PROW – Path Priority Scheme					
Appendix B	PROW – Rights of Way Improvement Plan Achievements 2007+				

5. Background Papers

The following background papers as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 were relied upon in the writing of this report.

Document title	Where the document can be viewed

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PATH PRIORITY

Priority 1	Routes actively promoted by Lincolnshire County Council (e.g. Viking Way, Bridle Trails, Recreational Walk Routes)
Priority 2	Routes that are known to be well used, predominantly close to settlements <u>or</u> routes promoted by other bodies and specifically endorsed by Lincolnshire County Council
Priority 3	All other available routes.
Priority 4	Routes that could only be made available by the significant investment of capital resources or requiring extensive legal work to resolve alignments and obstructions.

SERVICE STANDARDS – TIMESCALES FOR RESOLUTION

PRIORITY	Rights of Way Act Infringements (Ploughing & Cropping)	Grass Cutting & Vegetation Clearance (Subject to cyclical programme)	Path Furniture Repair and Minor Obstructions	New or Replacement Bridges	Essential Surfacing Works		
1	3 Months	2 Months	3 Months	Subject to size,	Works		
2	4 Months	2 Months	location and	Subject to Finance and Availability of Workforce			
3	Works Subject to Finance and Availa		ability of		availability		
4	Works only to be undertaken when major issues are resolved.						
	Any report which is a Health and Safety consideration will be dealt with in a timescale dependent on an appropriate risk analysis						

Progress Report

Network Management- The highway divisions have continued to make general improvements through improved maintenance and enforcement works. In the period April 2007 to March 2015 these have included;

- 1,031 stiles provided or repaired,
- 1,889 new roadside signs,
- o 2,297 routes waymarked,
- o 651 gates provided or repaired,
- o 424 new or improved bridges,
- o 333 stiles replaced with kissing gates,
- 260 stiles removed.

Improvement Schemes – Work has now commenced of the 2015/16 improvement programme. Schemes have again been focussed on routes in urban areas and on the urban fringe, routes in the region of countryside heritage sites and promoted routes. This year improvement works will also target the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park area.

Improvement schemes are currently being prepared at Market Deeping, Foston, Legsby and Chapel St Leonards.

Review of Statement of Action

Core Tasks

Ref	Action	Target date	Work Undertaken	Level of Completion
CT1	Review the Definitive Map Modification Order Priorities Policy and Public Path Order Policies in line with the RoWIP, to give a potentially higher priority to key routes that will improve or increase access.	2008	-Comprehensive review of DMMO policy completed in 2010. -PPO policy reviewed 2010.	Completed
CT2	Review the current Path Priority System for the maintenance and enforcement of PRoW	2008	Path Priority System maintained under review.	Completed
CT3	Review Maintenance and Enforcement Policies for PRoW and publicise to farmers, landowners and the public	2008 – 2009	Draft Enforcement Manual completed.	Partially Complete
CT4	Review current Parish Paths Partnership scheme and explore new ways to increase community involvement	2008	Review of parish paths partnership scheme completed in autumn 2009.	Completed
CT5	Undertake whole network condition survey	Complete by 2010	Survey complete – undertaken through the proactive inspection regime which ensures all paths receive an inspection at least once in a three year period.	Completed
CT6	Seek opportunities to reduce the number of unnecessary stiles and barriers on the PRoW network	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	260 unnecessary stiles and barriers removed and 333 stiles replaced with kissing gates. Promoted routes surveyed to identify unnecessary stiles and barriers.	Completed
CT7	Continue to fully sign and waymark the PRoW network	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	1,889 new roadside fingerposts installed either in new locations or to replace those in poor condition in addition 2,297 paths waymarked.	Completed

070		Theorem	Promoted routes surveyed to identify routes requiring signing or waymarking.	Operation
CT8	Continue the annual programme of vegetation clearance on PRoW	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Additional paths added to the schedule during ROWIP implementation years 1 - 4 as necessary and in line with improvement schemes and the development of new promoted routes. Austerity measures resulted in the re-examination of vegetation cutting schedule during implementation year 5.	Completed
CT9	Continue to ensure that the public has access to designated areas of Open Country and Registered Common Land under CRoW Act 2000	2008	 -Access Land Management Plan reviewed. -Access land inspection regime introduced. -Interpretative panels installed at South and West Commons in Lincoln. -Woodnook Valley, Grantham – Access controls and signage installed. -Lincoln Commons leaflets published. 	Completed
CT10	Continue to provide information and promote wider use of the PRoW Network	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	 Promotion of the network through various media including the LCC website, County News, local and national press and GP and community magazines. Searchable database of leaflets now available on the LCC Countryside website. 46 Lincolnshire Walks Leaflets have been published (since Apr 07) 8 Lincolnshire Cycling Leaflets have been published (since Apr 07) 	Completed

			Outdoor Guide produced (Lincolnshire Tourism) Visitor Guide produced (Lincolnshire Tourism) 15 walking discovery packs produced with Lincs Tourism - 2009 12 'Countryside for All' walks produced. 'Walk more in Lincolnshire' produced in association with stakeholder groups. 'Countryside Access' education pack produced. LCC Countryside microsite redesigned. Revised Countryside Code promoted on LCC web site. Walks Leaflets produced for the Poacher Line. 4 Bus Walks produced for the Lincoln area.	
CT11	Develop longer distance routes and trails	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	 Viking Way – Review provisionally planned for 2015. Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 given Royal Assent. No further action required at this time. Partnership Working Spires & Steeples Trail now launched. Lindsey Trail –completed. 	Partially Complete

	Macmillan Way – Programme of infrastructure improvements undertaken around Boston and Surfleet.	
	Save the Children walk – Assistance provided in route development.	

Sustainable Transport

Ref	Action	Target date	Work Undertaken	Level of Completion
SOA1	Identify and improve off road routes linking communities with schools, employment centres and local services	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	 Comments submitted regarding reviews of Community Travel Zones for Lincoln and Louth. Targeted improvements implemented on the following routes; 1. Claxby BOAT 753 – Improvement works 2. Lincoln PF No. 3 – Improvement works to increase accessibility to pushchairs. 3. Louth PF No. 11 – Improvement works to increase accessibility to school. 4. Crowland PF No. 6 – Surface improvement works undertaken at Wheatsheaf Yard. 5. North Somercotes PF No. 30 – Surface improvements works undertaken on village path. 6. Goulceby PF No. 25 – Surface improvement works undertaken on village path. 7. Wainfleet St Mary PF No. 323 –Access improvement works undertaken on village path 	Completed

in conjunction with parish council.
8. Branston PF No. 14 – Seating installed on
village path.
9. Tattershall PF Nos. 222 and 225 – Footpath
connecting Tattershall village and Tattershall
castle upgraded to full accessibility standard.
10. Market Rasen PF No. 167 – Surface
improvements.
11. Doddington PF No. 8 – Surface
improvements.
12. Skellingthorpe PB No. 3a – Surface
improvements.
13. Skegness PF 297 (Vine Walk) – Surface
Improvements.
14. Horncastle PF 76 - Surface Improvements.
15. Lincoln PF 60 – Surface improvement
works undertaken between Doddington Road
and Hartsholme Country Park.
16. Saxilby PF 204 – Surface improvements.
17. Holton le Clay PF 1 – Surface
improvements.
18. North Somercotes PF 32 – Surface
improvement works School Lane to Warren
Road.
19. Scotton PF 4 – Surface improvements.
20. Quadring PF 5 – Bridge upgraded between
village and primary school.
21. Boston PF1 – Bridge upgrading works.
22. Horncastle PF80 – Resurfacing works.
23. Glentham PF 844 – Resurfacing and
revetment works.
24. Market Rasen PF 162 – Resurfacing works.
25. Conningsby PF 224 – Resurfacing works.
26. Skegness PF 307 – Surfacing works.

27. Upton PF 50 – Surfacing works.
28. Gedney PF 15 – Surfacing and revetment
works.
29. Sleaford PF 17 – Surface improvements
30. Skellingthorpe PF No. 15 – Surface
improvements
31. Wellingore PF 5 – Surface Improvements
32. Nocton PF 10 – Surface Improvements
33. Reepham PF 131 – Culvert Improvements
34. Waddingham PF 72 – Surface
Improvements
35. Walesby Byway 524 – Surface
Improvements
36. Lincoln PF 11 – Surface Improvements
37. Bourne PF 1 – Surface Improvements
38. Saxby PF 9 – Bridge Upgrading
39. Market Rasen PF 163 – Surface
Improvements
40. Grasby PF 49 - Surface Improvements
41. Trusthorpe PF 863 – Surface
Improvements
42. Trusthorpe PF 816 – Surface
Improvements
43. Sleaford PF 948 – Surface Improvements
44. Lincoln PF60 – Surface Improvements
45. Skellingthorpe PB 3 – Surface
Improvements
46. Waddington PF 3– Surface Improvements
47. Claxby PF 107 - Surface Improvements
48. Barrowby PF 7 - Surface Improvements
49. Grantham PF 12 - Surface Improvements
50. Mablethorpe PF 317 - Surface
Improvements
51. Grantham PF 18 - Surface Improvements

			 52. Colsterworth PF 20 – Surface Improvements 53. Welton PF 169 – Surface Improvements 54. Scothern PF 153 – Surface Improvements 55. Skegness PF 318 – Surface Improvements 56. Folkingham PF 17 –Surface Improvements 57. M Deeping PF 2 –Surface Improvements 58. Nettleham PF 145 –Surface Improvements 59. Lincoln PF 62 – Surface Improvements Additional small scale works undertaken at various locations by LCC highway divisions. 	
SOA2	Improve enforcement and management of urban rights of way to combat litter, fly tipping and dog fouling	2011	LCC Divisions and Borough Councils contacted regarding issues of flytipping on public rights of way to highlight areas experiencing excessive flytipping. Borough Councils contacted to clarify protocols for dealing with dog fouling on public rights of way	Completed
SOA3	Seek improvements for non-motorised travel in proposals for new developments. Schemes funded through developer contributions	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Regular liaison takes place with planning authorities to ensure that maximum public benefits are realised. Comments are submitted on planning applications as they arise. Comments submitted to: -Stamford – Newstead Development Proposals consultation. -Lincoln Eastern Bypass -Grantham Southern Quadrant Relief Road	Completed

SOA4	Develop walking and cycling from public transport interchanges	2011	 Railway walks leaflets produced from Poacher Line stations; 1. Heckington to Sleaford 2. Ancaster to Sleaford. 3. Skegness to Wainfleet. 4. Metheringham Information included in Getting Around Lincolnshire (Lincs CC) Walking and cycling details included on all new (LCC) bus and train guides.	Completed	
			Lincolnshire Walks information displayed at selected bus stops locations.		
SOA5	SOA5 Promote use of public transport on leaflets and wet	Promote use of public transport on leaflets and website	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Public transport promoted on publications and web site.	Completed
			Information is added to promotional material (ie Lincolnshire Walks.		
			Lincolnshire walks information included in Area Bus Guides.		
			Lincolnshire walks information now displayed at selected bus stop locations.		
			Bus stop information displayed on the revised CAMs Web system.		

			ADT participation in the Lincolnshire County Council 'Walk, Bike and Share'event. Development of 2 walks from Lincoln bus routes.	
SOA6	Public rights of way guidance for planning authorities and developers	2008	Meetings held with planning authorities to standardise the format and promotion of orders. Specific guidance to developers and district councils to be undertaken in 2012.	Completed

Health and Well Being

Ref	Action	Target date	Works Undertaken	Level of Completion
SOA7	Improve infrastructure on paths used for health walks initiatives	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Improvement of health walking network undertaken with £110,000 of Lincolnshire PCT funding. 496 miles of health walking routes surveyed for improvements and programme of improvement works devised. The programme of improvement works	Completed
			included surface improvements, bridge upgrading and improvements to path infrastructure.	
SOA8	Reduce number of unnecessary barriers on PROW	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Unnecessary stiles and barriers identified during routine maintenance works removed on identification of funding.	Completed
			260 stiles were removed as unnecessary and 333 stiles were replaced with gates.	

SOA9	Ensure cross field paths are reinstated after ploughing	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Enforcement Policy Manual completed.	Partially Completed
SOA10	Improve routes in areas of highest health deprivation in Lincolnshire.	2012	Areas of highest health deprivation identified and mapped - information sent to LCC highways divisions with recommendation of targeted improvements in highlighted areas. Walking and cycling information distributed to 18 health centres in highlighted areas (March 10). Walking and cycling information offered to all health centres (2011).	Completed
SOA11	Undertake accessibility audit of the network	2011	Following consideration full network accessibility survey considered impossible to undertake. Full network condition survey therefore used to obtain accessibility information. Accessibility audit undertaken of all Lincolnshire Walks during 2010.	Partially Completed
SOA12	Develop a range of key routes in conjunction with disability groups.	2012	 5 Countryside for all routes published using Aggregate Levy Sustainability Funding (2010) 7 Countryside for all routes published in association with the Lincolnshire LAFs using LCC Public Health funding – spring 2014. 	Completed
SOA13	Promote health walking schemes and help partners with development of new schemes.	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Promotional links established and support mechanisms in place.	Completed

			 Ongoing. PCT funding enabled expansion of health walks schemes and GP referrals. Funding secured through "Choosing Health". Support given to Boston leisure and health walks to produce 6 walks leaflets. Attendance at the 'Getting out There' event. 'Explore the Lincolnshire Countryside' – Posters published July 10. Funding provided in association with Lincolnshire PCT to enable the creation of additional access in the Westgate Wood extension at Boston. Anderby health walking group established. 2 bridges installed at Anderby. Support given to Sustrans in East Lindsey to produce health walks leaflets. Attendance at Lincs Walks forum. Annual advert placed in GP and community magazines. 	
SOA14	Promote benefits of rights of way to wider range of potential users	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Assistance provided in the Wolds Walking Festival, LCCP, Countryside Events Programme and Wash week. Attendance at the 'Sustainable Schools Showcase' to promote countryside access to	Completed.

50A15	Produce targeted information for doctors surgeries, health centres in areas of highest health deprivation	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Adverts and editorial articles featured in various editions of the 'Lincolnshire New GP Community Health Care Magazine'. Leaflets sent to health centres (2010).	Completed
SOA15	Draduce terrested information for destars surgeries	Throughout	Attendance at Heckington Show (2011) 8 Adverts and editorial articles featured in	Completed
			Attendance at Lincolnshire Show.	
			Articles in County News.	
			Attendance at 'Get out There' events (2009).	
			Adverts placed in GP and community magazines.	
			Countryside for all pack produced (2010)	
			'Countryside Access' education pack published.	
			Lincolnshire articles published in the East Midlands LAF newsletter.	
			'Walk more in Lincolnshire' leaflet produced in association with stakeholder groups.	
			Attendance at 'Walk it, Bike it, Share it'.	
			young people (2010).	

SOA16	Publicise barrier free routes	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	 Audit undertaken of all routes included in Lincolnshire Walks series of leaflets. 12 Countryside for all routes promoted. Infrastructure information displayed on the Cams Web Map. 	Completed
SOA17	Promote responsible countryside access	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Responsible countryside access promoted through various media including the LCC website, County News, Agenda magazine and local and national press. Countryside Code promoted on the Countryside web site. Attendance at 'Get out there' event (2009). Attendance at 'Sustainable Schools Showcase' (2009). 'Countryside Access' education pack published. Attendance at local shows (Lincolnshire and Heckington shows.	Completed

Rural Economy and Tourism

Ref	Action	Target date	Works Undertaken	Level of Completion
SOA18	Identify and develop circular and linear recreational routes to and from countryside / heritage tourism sites	2011	Improvement works undertaken in the influence of tourism sites as required.	Completed
			6 Limewoods walks leaflets published.	
			2 Limewoods cycling leaflets published.	
			2 Walks leaflets produced for the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park.	
			1 Walk leaflet produced for the Lincolnshire Coastal Grazing Marshes project	
			Most walks/cycle designed to include connections with local heritage.	9
			Limewoods Signage – Public rights of way signage in the Limewoods area replaced with oak finger posts extending from Bardney to Wragby, Fiskerton and Faldingworth.	
			Missing link dedicated to create circular walking route at Bassingham.	
			North Willingham No. 523 – Surface improvement works undertaken through Willingham Woods.	
			Tattershall Public Footpath Nos. 222 and 225 – Footpath connecting Tattershall village and Tattershall castle upgraded to full accessibility standard.	

Horncastle PF 76 - Surface Improvement works.
Lincoln PF 60 – Surface improvement works undertaken between Doddington Road and Hartsholme Country Park.
Scotton PF 4 – Surface improvement works.
Anderby PF 16 and 22 – 2 new bridges to be provided on existing footpaths in the LCCP area.
Middle Rasen BW 514 – surface improvement works.
Claxby with Moorby BW 194 – surface improvement works.
Fiskerton Public Bridleway No. 221 – bridge improvements.
Skegness PF 307 – surface improvement works.
Viking Way – Installation of benches.
Gedney PF 15 – Surface Improvement works.
Sleaford PF No. 17 – Surface improvement works adjacent to the River Slea.
Fiskerton PF No. 116 – Access Improvement

			Works. Walesby Byway No. 524 – Surface Improvement Works Bourne PF 1 – Surface Improvement Works Muckton PB 307 – Surface Improvement Works	
SOA19	Improve the maintenance and management of routes close to popular areas of the county and key tourist attractions.	2011	Routes identified in the influence of tourism sites and designated areas and implement improvement works as required. See SOA 18 Gedney access improvements. Infrastructure improvements on Gedney 'Lincolnshire walk' undertaken. North Willingham Byway 523 – Surface Improvements. Linwood Byway 764 – Surface Improvements Lindsey Trail Surface Improvements – Winceby High Barn to Ashby Puerorum UCR and Ranby Restricted Byway No. 61. Viking Way Surface Improvements - Somerby PF49 and Waddington PF No. 3 Ingoldsby PB 14 – Surface Improvements	Completed

			Chapel St Leonards PF 21 – Surface Improvements Brinkhill BW 119 – Surface Improvements	
SOA20	Improve maintenance and promotion of promoted routes and county trails	2011	Audit of Lincolnshire Walks routes undertaken to identify infrastructure and waymarking/ signage improvements and improvements to vegetation cutting regime.	Completed
SOA21	Support and encourage new tourist attractions to include walking and cycling through the planning consultation process.	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Highways divisional staff comment on planning applications as they arise and suggest recommendations for improved walking and cycling provision during the planning consultation process.	Completed
SOA22	Support partners with development of new trails	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	 Partners supported with the development of new trails. -Spires and Steeples Trail launched 3 May 2008. -Spa Trail works completed. -Support given to South Holland Borough Council to develop a series of walking and cycling routes. -6 Limewoods walks leaflets published. -2 Limewoods cycling leaflets published. -Nottinghamshire Strategic Cycle Network – Support given to the provision of a strategic 	Completed

cycle path between Sherwood Forest and Lincoln city centre.
-Support and advice provided to ASR- Leisure in the development of Cycle Touring Routes in the Northern Wolds.
-Save the Children route. Support provided to initial route development.
-Macmillan Way – Infrastructure improvements undertaken between Boston and Surfleet in conjunction with the Environment Agency.
-Viking Way – benches installed at Walesby and to the south of Lincoln.
-The Lindsey Trail carriage driving route opened in spring 2012.
-Support given to Boston BC in the development of the health walks network.
-Supports given to Sustrans in the development of the health walks network.
-Support provided for the re development of the Trent Valley Way.
-Support given to the LCCP for the production of the walks leaflets.
-Access advice provided for the Lincolnshire Coastal Grazing Marshes project.

SOA23	Develop a Lincolnshire Coastal trail	2012	Marine and Coastal Access Act provided Royal Assent in November 2009. No further action required at this time.	Partially Complete
SOA24	Provide public transport information at key sites and promoted routes	Ongoing	 Travel Line and LCC public transport information published on walking and cycling leaflets. Lincolnshire walks information now displayed at selected bus stop locations. Lincolnshire walks information included in the LCC area bus guides. 	Completed
SOA25	Produce walking, cycling and riding information in a variety of formats and for holiday accommodation providers	Ongoing	 Lincolnshire Tourism produced 15 Walking Discovery Packs as part of the 2008 marketing campaign promoting Lincolnshire as a short break destination for walking, cycling and golf. Packs made available to accommodation providers. Outdoor Guide produced (Lincolnshire Tourism). Lincolnshire Outdoor Guide distributed to TICs in Lincolnshire, Cambridgeshire, Nottinghamshire, Leicestershire, Northamptonshire, Norfolk and South Yorkshire. Countryside for all routes published. Searchable database of Lincolnshire Walks 	Completed

			produced. 46 Lincolnshire Walks Leaflets produced. 8 Lincolnshire Cycling Leaflets produced.	
SOA26	Develop website to include interactive web walks with links to local services and tourist attractions	2007	Searchable walks database published in 2010. LCC Countryside micro site redesigned in 2011. Revised Countryside Access Map published in 2011.	Completed
SOA27	Develop a range of information panels at gateways sites/ villages to promote access opportunities and local services available	2012	Consideration given to installing interpretation panels in P3 parishes. Austerity measures prevent full implementation. PRoW plans provided for P3 groups for display on parish notice boards. Interpretation panels installed on South and West Commons in Lincoln.	Partially Complete

Social Issues

Ref	Action	Target date	Works Undertaken	Level of Completion
SOA28	Improve quality of waymarking to increase user confidence and assist land managers	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	 1,889 new roadside fingerposts installed either in new locations or to replace those in poor condition in addition 2,297 paths waymarked. Limewoods Signage – Public rights of way signage in the Limewoods area replaced with oak fingerposts with some containing 	Completed.

			destination and distance information.	
			Promoted route survey completed.	
			Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park Signage – Public rights of way signage in the LCCP area replaced with oak fingerposts with some containing destination and distance information.	
SOA29	Identify all missing bridges on key network routes, develop and implement a work programme	2010	Missing bridges identified. Capital bridges programme commenced, reduced funding prevents further action at this time.	Partially Completed
SOA30	Implement programme of signing selected unsurfaced unclassified county roads	2011	Officer time spent identifying UCRs and gap analysis using GIS of PROW network and other access. Programme of signage based on demand and necessity nearing completion.	Partially Completed
SOA31	Clarify who can use which route through better signage.	2007	Officer time spent to identify UCRs and gap analysis undertaken using GIS of PROW network and other access. Alternative formats of signage considered by	Completed
			LAF and highway divisions. Signage for restricted byways produced 2008.	
SOA32	Develop a programme of improved vegetation cutting on key routes close to settlements with parish councils	2009	Programme of improved vegetation cutting in place on key routes. Additional paths added to the schedule during ROWIP implementation years 1 - 4. Austerity measures resulted in re- examination of vegetation cutting schedule during implementation year 5.	Partially Complete

			P3 scheme review currently underway.	
SOA33	Complete audit of busy road crossings and implement prioritised programme of improvements	2011	Audit of road and rail crossings now complete. Short list of most 'hazardous' crossings forwarded to LCC Divisions, Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership, Highways Agency and Network Rail. Austerity measures prevent any further action at this time.	Partially Complete
SOA34	Improve management of existing routes available for motorised users and carriage drivers.	2011	Audit of unsurfaced UCRs completed. Production of management plan underway.	Partially Complete
SOA35	Identify all cross boundary links with neighbouring authorities to ensure consistency of maintenance and promotion.	2011	Identification of cross boundary links and issues yet to commence.	No action taken
SOA36	Pilot a project to prepare signage incorporating distance and destination information to key routes.	2012	Limewoods Signage – Public rights of way signage in the Limewoods area replaced with oak fingerposts.	Completed
SOA37	Support highway divisions with the implementation of Quiet Lanes.	2012	Funds no longer available to undertake Quiet Lanes project in North Division pilot area.	No action taken
SOA38	Develop a range of circular routes for cyclists and equestrians in areas of highest demand. Identify suitable roadside verges and "behind the hedge" links to create safer links between existing routes and improve management of those links identified. Support DEFRA schemes that increase access and link PRoW.	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Officer time spent on ROWIP area priorities mapping. 8 Lincolnshire cycling leaflets produced. Lindsey Trail – route opened spring 2012. Consultation responses provided to Natural England in response to Higher Level Stewardship Applications.	Partially Completed
SOA39	Identify areas deficient in access where access	2007	Discussions have taken place with Natural	Completed

	proposals would benefit the rights of way network.		England and LAFs were briefed in October 2007 in relation to HLS access. ROWIP implementation priorities overview mapping completed for transport and health.	
SOA40	Review current Definitive Map Modifications Order priority system to give priority to key cases that will improve connectivity of the existing network of users.	2007	New priority system introduced in 2006. Review undertaken in 2010.	Completed
SOA41	Establish a priority system for Public Path Orders giving higher priority to cases that will improve connectivity on the existing network of users	2007	Public Path Order Priority System maintained under review.	Completed
SOA42	Implement programme of staff training to raise awareness of diversity issues relating to countryside access	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Disabled Access Audit training event held for LCC PRoW staff in November 09. Relevant information disseminated to staff as required.	Completed
SOA43	Identify existing routes that meet needs of restricted mobility users and publicise	2011	12 Countryside for All routes published.Promoted routes surveyed to identify unnecessary stiles and barriers.PRoW infrastructure details displayed on the countryside access map.	Completed
SOA44	Develop and implement an accessibility policy in conjunction with disability groups	2009	Accessibility Guidance produced.	Completed
SOA45	Develop links with organisations to implement a programme of themed guided walks, rides and events	Throughout Plan life 2007-2012	Continuing to build on existing contacts and partnerships. Funding required to implement countryside access projects. Involvement in the Wolds Walking Festival, Spires and Steeples Trail events, Wash Week, LCCP programme of events and Boston	Completed

SOA46	Develop policies and guidance which explain how the authority manages PROW and access	2011	Policy areas identified and included in officer work programmes.	Completed
			Work undertaken to produce;	
			-Path priority system, -Accessibility Guidance, -DMMO policy, -PPO policy, -Enforcement Manual.	
SOA47	Promote leaflets and access information to increase confidence and take up by none users.	2007	 Natural England produced leaflet for the revised Countryside Code. Information also displayed on the LCC Countryside micro site. Searchable database of Lincolnshire Walks produced for LCC website. 46 Lincolnshire Walks Leaflets produced. 8 Lincolnshire Cycling Leaflets produced. 12 Countryside for all routes published. 	Completed
SOA48	Improve driver awareness of equestrians	2011	Equestrian leaflets distributed through Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership as part of Driver Improvement Programme.	Completed
SOA49	Produce Countryside Access newsletter	2011	Publication of newsletter to commence in 2012.	No action taken

Appendix B – PROW – Rights of Way Improvement Plan Achievements 2007+

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Policy and Scrutiny

Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills, Executive Director for Economy and Environment						
Report to:	Report to: Environmental Scrutiny Committee					
Date:	31 July 2015					
Subject: Proposed mineral and waste site/area allocations for the LincoInshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan						

Summary:

The County Council is producing a Minerals and Waste Local Plan that will form the key to the delivery of sustainable minerals and waste development in the County up to the year 2031. This Plan will comprise two documents: the first, covering the "Core Strategy and Development Management Policies", and the second, "Site Locations".

This report presents the preferred mineral and waste sites and areas proposed for progression through to the Draft Site Locations Development Plan Document. It also sets out the alternative sites that have been considered and the reasons for not taking them forward. At this stage the selection is provisional as further information is required for some of the mineral sites, including verification of the estimated reserves and clarification on where the material would be processed.

On completion, the Draft Site Locations Development Plan Document will be presented to the Executive for consideration and approval prior to being subject to a period of public consultation under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

Actions Required:

That the committee:

- consider and endorse the preferred mineral sites for inclusion in the Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Draft Site Locations Development Plan Document currently being prepared for public consultation which is expected to commence in Autumn 2015;
- consider and endorse the preferred waste sites and areas for inclusion in the Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Draft Site Locations Development Plan Document currently being prepared for public consultation ; and
- Authorise the Development Manager in consultation with the Chairman of this Committee to make changes to the preferred sites prior to consideration by the Executive where this is necessary to amend any errors, or where a proponent of a site fails to provide the verification/clarification details currently being sought.

1. Background

- 1.1. Within its role as Minerals and Waste Planning Authority for the County, Lincolnshire County Council has the statutory responsibility of producing a Minerals and Waste Local Plan (MWLP) which will eventually replace the existing Minerals Local Plan (1991) and the Waste Local Plan (2006).
- 1.2. The MWLP will consist of two documents: the 'Core Strategy and Development Management Policies' (CSDMP) and 'Site Locations'. The MWLP will cover the period up to 2031. The MWLP must take into account European and National policy and legislation. It is a key part of meeting the planning requirements of the EU Waste Framework Directive and the need to identify where future waste will be managed including the identification of specific sites and areas. It must also meet the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework and National Planning Policy for Waste.
- 1.3. The CSDMP sets out the key principles to guide the future winning and working of minerals and the form of waste management development in the County and the criteria against which planning applications for minerals and waste development will be considered. It is at an advanced stage of preparation. On the 5th June 2015 the CSDMP was submitted to the Secretary of State for examination by an independent Planning Inspector for its legal compliance and 'soundness' (i.e. whether it is in-line with Government guidelines). Any representations made during the consultation in January-February 2015 on the Pre-Submission draft CSDMP have been forwarded to the Inspector as part of this process. The public hearings of the Examination are due to held 13th–16th October 2015.
- 1.4. The Site Locations document will include the specific proposals and policies for the provision of land for minerals and waste development in line with the strategic policies of the CSDMP.
- 1.5. Development of the Site Locations document began in 2008. A consultation exercise was carried out in 2009, which invited the mineral and waste industries to submit details of sites or areas for consideration for future mineral and waste sites. The findings of this exercise where consulted upon in 2010 although no further work was carried out following this as resources were then concentrated on delivering the CSDMP. However, in Spring 2014 work resumed on the site locations work and officers have now identified the preferred locations for future mineral and waste development in the County to be included in a Draft Site Locations document for public consultation.

Policy framework for Site Locations Document

1.6. The CSDMP sets out the strategic framework for identifying the preferred locations for new minerals and waste development in the County for the plan period 2010-2031 and is the starting point for the Site Locations DPD.

1.7. In relation to waste the focus is for new waste management facilities to be located in and around Lincoln; Boston; Grantham; Spalding; Bourne; Gainsborough; Louth; Skegness; Sleaford; and Stamford. The Lincolnshire Waste Need Assessment 2014 identifies the waste management requirements of the County during the plan period. This is reflected in the CSDMP and Table 1 below shows the facilities required. This sets out the need for built waste management facilities for recycling and an energy from waste facility which is mainly for the management of commercial, industrial, construction and demolition waste. Facilities for the management of the County's Local Authority Collected Waste are in place and any future needs relate to replacement capacity or improved facilities. There is no requirement for any further landfill facilities. The need for specialised thermal treatment and hazardous landfill will continue to be met by national facilities outside of the County.

	New facilities		es needed		
Facility type	Annual	Short	By	By	Ву
	capacity	term	2020	2025	2031
Mixed LACW & C&I waste	75,000	1	1		1
recycling					
Energy recovery from LACW &	200,000	1			
C&I					
Specialised thermal treatment	25,000	1			
CD&E and aggregates recycling	25,000			1	2
Hazardous waste landfill	25,000	1			

Table 1: Predicated Requirements fo	or Waste Facilities 2010-2031
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- 1.8. In line with these requirements it is proposed that the Site Locations document will include:
 - specific waste sites to provide certainly to the waste industry and to demonstrate sufficient land will be made available in Lincolnshire to meet its waste management needs;
 - specific areas (industrial estates) where waste uses are considered acceptable alongside other industrial and employment areas. These provide flexibility and choice should the specific sites be unavailable.
- 1.9. For minerals, the CSDMP has identified a need to provide additional resources to maintain an adequate supply of sand and gravel to the County during the plan period. It has not identified a need to identify any additional sites for other minerals over the plan period and it is not proposed to allocate sites in the Site Locations document other than for sand and gravel.
- 1.10. The CSDMP also proposes that the County continues to be divided into three Production Areas (Lincoln Trent Valley; Central Lincolnshire and South Lincolnshire) with the overall requirement of 68.88 million tonnes of sand and gravel during the plan period split between the three.

- 1.11. Priority is to be given to extensions to existing active mineral sites and to only allocate new quarries where they are required to replace existing mineral sites that will become exhausted during the plan period. If new sites are required these are to be located in the areas of search for Sand and Gravel as set out in the key diagram of the CSDMP.
- 1.12. Table 2 below provides information on the sand and gravel requirements by Production Area to be met through allocations in the Site Locations document.

Production Zones	Plan Requirement 2011 – 2031 (Mt)	Reserves @ end 2010 (Mt)	Permission since 2010*	Shortfall/ Requirement (Mt)
Lincoln Trent Valley	35.28	7.36	7.96	19.96
Central Lincolnshire	12.6	5.32	0	7.28
South Lincolnshire	21	8.24	2.96	9.8
TOTAL	68.88	20.92	10.92	37.04

Table 2: Sand and Gravel Requirements 2011-2031

* This include sites granted planning permission subject to the completion of Section 106 Agreements

Work to date on Site Locations Document

- 1.13. In Spring 2014 a review was undertaken of the information received during the original call for sites exercise in 2010 and a second call for sites exercise undertaken. This resulted in a small number of new mineral and waste sites being proposed by landowners/developers and in some sites previously submitted being removed from the process.
- 1.14. In addition and in line with best practice a desktop waste site search has also been conducted. The purpose has been to identify suitable employment/industrial locations and sites in the County where waste uses would be considered acceptable alongside other industrial and employment uses. This search has been carried out in consultation with officers at the District Councils.
- 1.15. A detailed site selection methodology has been developed for short listing and selecting the preferred locations for future mineral and waste development and site visits undertaken to inform the selection. This process will be discussed in full in the Sites and Areas Report that will form part of the evidence base for the Draft Site Locations document.
- 1.16. Some early engagement has also taken place in selecting the preferred locations. This has included:

- a targeted consultation with statutory agencies, District and Parish Councils on mineral and waste submitted in the call for sites exercises 2010 and 2014. This was carried out in Summer 2014;
- clarification meetings, held in April 2015, with mineral industry representatives on sites submitted to the process;
- meetings with Planning Officers from the District Council in relation to the desktop waste site search exercise and selection of preferred locations in October 2014 and June 2015.

Preferred Locations for Waste

- 1.17 In the 2010 call for sites exercise 19 sites were put forward for consideration for waste. A further 10 proposed waste sites were put forward in the 2014 call for sites exercise. The outcomes of the site selection exercise in relation to sites submitted as part of the call for sites are:
 - 4 sites put forward are existing waste sites that are safeguarded through the CSDMP and do not need to be allocated in the Site Locations document; Mid UK Recycling (existing warehouse complex), Wilsford Heath; Energy from Waste facility, North Hykeham; Bullimore's Waste Transfer Site, Bourne; and Decoy Farm, Spalding);
 - 6 of the submitted sites are within 5 of the industrial areas shortlisted in the desktop waste site search. These sites have been considered as part of the area assessments and not pursued as separate waste allocations.
 3 of these shortlisted areas are being proposed as preferred areas for waste uses (WA01-WL; WA23-BO; WA25-SH) and contain 4 of the submitted sites;
 - 7 sites have been discounted because they do not meet the spatial strategy for waste in the CDSMP and 2 as they are considered unsuitable;
 - 4 have been discounted as they are no longer available or the landowner has indicated that they no longer wish to pursue them in the process.
- 1.18. As a result of the desktop Waste Site Search exercise an additional 104 site/areas were identified by the County Council in conjunction with the Districts for consideration for waste uses. Of these 31 were shortlisted for detailed site assessment and site visits. Following the assessment 4 sites and 16 areas were identified as preferred locations for waste uses.
- 1.19. Table 3 lists the preferred waste sites and areas for inclusion in the Draft Site Location document as a result of both the call for sites and the waste site search exercise. Maps of these sites are included at Appendix 1 to this report.
- 1.20. Table 4 lists the sites submitted as part of the call for sites that have been discounted and a brief summary of the reason for discounting. The discounted locations from the desktop waste sites search are not listed here due to the volume of sites. Maps of these sites are included at Appendix 2 to this report.

Table 3: P	referred	Waste	Sites	and Areas	
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Site Ref.	Site Name	Town	Borough
Sites		·	
WS03-WL	Gallamore Road	Market Rasen	West Lindsey
WS08-NK	Sleaford Enterprise Estate	Sleaford	North Kesteven
WS09-NK	Bonemill Lane	Sleaford	North Kesteven
WS10-NK	Mid UK Recycling, Wilsford Heath	Wilsford Heath	North Kesteven
WS12-EL	A158 Burgh Road	Skegness	East Lindsey
WS14-EL	Mid Recycling, Caythorpe	Caythorpe	South Kesteven
WS17-SK	Vintage Park, Gonerby Moor	Grantham	South Kesteven
WS20-BO	Envirotyre, Spalding Road	Sutterton	Boston
Areas			
WA01-WL	Heapham Road	Gainsborough	West Lindsey
WA02-CL	West of Outer Circle Road	Lincoln	City of Lincoln
WA03-CL	Allenby Road Trading Estate	Lincoln	City of Lincoln
WA04-CL	Allenby Road Trading Estate	Lincoln	City of Lincoln
WA05-CL	Great Northern Terrace	Lincoln	City of Lincoln
WA11-EL	A16 Grimsby Road	Louth	East Lindsey
WA12-EL	Wragby Industrial Estate	Wragby	East Lindsey
WA14-EL	Holmes Way	Horncastle	East Lindsey
WA16-SK	North of Manning Lane and West of Meadow Drive	Bourne	South Kesteven
WA22-BO	Riverside Industrial Estate	Boston	Boston
WA23-BO	Kirton Distribution Park	Kirton	Boston
WA25-SH	Wardentree Lane/Enterprise Park	Spalding	South Holland
WA26-SH	Clay Lake Industrial Estate	Spalding	South Holland

Table 4: Discounted Waste Sites

Site Ref.	Site Name	Town	Borough	Reason
WS01-WL	Gainsborough Skip	Morton	West Lindsey	Outside Spatial
	Hire			Strategy area
WS02-WL	Fox (Owmby),	Caenby	West Lindsey	Outside Spatial
	Caenby Hall			Strategy area
WS04-WL	Land adjacent to Gainsborough WWTW	Gainsborough	West Lindsey	Site unsuitable
WS05-CL	EMR Beevor Street	Lincoln	City of Lincoln	Site unsuitable
WS06-CL	Land at Canwick	Lincoln	City of Lincoln	No landowner
	WWTW			confirmation
WS07-NK	Longwood Quarry	Scopwick	North Kesteven	Outside Spatial
				Strategy area
WA11-EL	Bowmans Business	Addlethorpe	East Lindsey	Outside Spatial
	Park			Strategy
				area/unsuitable
WS13-EL	Land of Wainfleet	Skegness	East Lindsey	Included in area that

	Road			has been discounted
WS15-SK	Land at Roseland	Long	South	Outside Spatial
	Business Park	Bennington	Kesteven	Strategy Area
WS16-SK	Land at triangle Park	Grantham	South	No landowner
	Industrial Estate		Kesteven	interest
WS18-SK	Hill Top Farm	Hungerton	South	Outside Spatial
			Kesteven	Strategy area/ no
				identified need for
				facility
WS19-SK	Land east of	Hungerton	South	Outside Spatial
	Hungerton		Kesteven	Strategy
				area/unsuitable
WS20-SK	Ryhall Road	Stamford	South	No landowner
			Kesteven	interest
WS22-SH	Land adjacent to	Spalding	South Holland	No landowner
	Spalding WWTW			confirmation

Preferred Locations for Future Sand and Gravel Extraction

- 1.21. In the 2010 and 2014 call for sites exercises submissions were made for both extensions to existing sand and gravel quarries and proposals for new production units. All sites submitted for sand and gravel have been assessed for their suitability for sand and gravel extraction and their fit with the strategic policies in the CSDMP, with the exception of those parcels of land that have been progressed through the planning application process since they were originally submitted and have been granted planning permission subject to Section 106 Agreements. This includes extensions at Manor Pit, Baston No 2 and Whisby quarries.
- 1.22. It should be noted that a number of other sites were put forward for the extraction of other minerals, such as Chalk and Limestone, in the call for sites exercise. However, as the Site Locations document will not be allocating sites for minerals other than sand and gravel these sites have not been taken any further in the process. Also, following meetings with the mineral industry some parcels of land originally submitted have been removed from the process, as the industry no longer has an interest in the land concerned or it will not be needed during the plan period.
- 1.23. Table 5 below lists the preferred sites for sand and gravel extraction following the site selection exercise and maps are included at Appendix 3 to this report. Table 6 lists sites that have been discounted and maps of these sites are included at Appendix 4.
- 1.24. In summary it is proposed that the requirements in each Production Area are proposed to be met through the Site Locations Document as follows:
 - Lincoln Trent Valley: It is proposed to allocate extensions to Swinderby Airfield and Norton Bottoms quarries to provide an estimated 15.61 million tonnes of reserves. It is also proposed to allocate a new production unit at Lea Marsh near Gainsborough as a replacement for

Whisby Quarry (where production is due to cease during the plan period) to provide an additional estimated 6 million tonnes of reserve.

- Central Lincolnshire: It is proposed to allocate extensions to North Kelsey Road; Kettleby and Kirkby on Bain quarries which together would provide 8.77 million tonnes of reserve.
- South Lincolnshire: It is proposed to allocate extensions to Red Barn (Castle Bytham), West Deeping and Baston Number 2 quarries providing an estimated 6.4 million tonnes of reserve. A new production unit is also required in this Production Area and the preferred location for this is a new site at Urn Farm to provide just under 3.5 million tonnes of reserve. However, further information is required from the proposed operator of Urn Farm in order for this site to be progressed at this stage including borehole logs, confirmation of the estimated reserve and clarification on where the material would be processed.

Site Reference	Name	Production Area	District	Туре
MS01-LT	Lea Marsh, Gainsborough	Lincoln Trent Valley	West Lindsey	New
MS04-LT	Swinderby Airfield	Lincoln Trent Valley	North Kesteven	Extension
MS05-LT	Norton Bottoms, Norton Disney	Lincoln Trent Valley	North Kesteven	Extension (a)
MS08-CL	Kettleby Quarry, Bigby	Central Lincolnshire	West Lindsey	Extension (a)
MS09-CL	North Kelsey Road, Caistor	Central Lincolnshire	West Lindsey	Extension
MS13-CL	Kirkby on Bain (Phase 1)	Central Lincolnshire	East Lindsey	Extension (a)
MS15-CL	Kirkby on Bain (Phase 2)	Central Lincolnshire	East Lindsey	Extension (a)
MS17-SL	Red Barn, Castle Bytham	South Lincolnshire	South Kesteven	Extension (a)
MS26a-SL	Urn Farm, Baston (central part)	South Lincolnshire	South Kesteven	New (a)
MS27-SL	Baston No 2, Langtoft (Phase 2)	South Lincolnshire	South Kesteven	Extension (a)
MS28-SL	Baston No 2, Langtoft (Phase 3)	South Lincolnshire	South Kesteven	Extension
MS29-SL	West Deeping	South Lincolnshire	South Kesteven	Extension (a) (b)

Table 5: Preferred Sand and Gravel Sites

(a) Verification of the reserves currently being sought.

(b) Potential extension, but clarification being sought.

Table 6: Discounted Sand and Gravel Sites

Site Reference	Name	Production Area	District	Summary Reason
MS02-LT	Swinethorpe	Lincoln Trent	North	Deliverability/site
		Valley	Kesteven	unsuitable
MS03-LT	Swinderby	Lincoln Trent	North	Deliverability
	Supersite	Valley	Kesteven	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
MS06-LT	Waterwell Lane,	Lincoln Trent	North	Outside Area of
	Ancaster	Valley	Kesteven	Search/site unsuitable
MS07-CL	Kettleby Quarry,	Central	West	Deliverability
	Bigby	Lincolnshire	Lindsey	,
MS10-CL	Old Abbey Farm,	Central	East	Deliverability/site
	Kirkstead	Lincolnshire	Lindsey	unsuitable
MS11-CL	Land east of	Central	East	Deliverability/site
	B1192,Kirkstead	Lincolnshire	Lindsey	unsuitable
MS12-CL	Park Farm,	Central	East	Deliverability
	Tattershall	Lincolnshire	Lindsey	
	Thorpe			
MS14-CL	Kirkby on Bain	Central	East	Deliverability/site
	(Tattershall Park	Lincolnshire	Lindsey	unsuitable
	East 2)			
MS16-CL	Land at the	Central	East	Outside Area of
	Hollies,Croft	Lincolnshire	Lindsey	Search/deliverability/
				site unsuitable
MS18-SL	Thetford House	South	South	Site
	Farm, Baston	Lincolnshire	Kesteven	unsuitable/deliverability
MS19-SL	Thetford Farm	South	South	Site
	North, Baston	Lincolnshire	Kesteven	unsuitable/deliverability
MS20-SL	North Meadow	South	South	Site
	Farm, Baston	Lincolnshire	Kesteven	unsuitable/deliverability
MS21-SL	Poplar Tree	South	South	Site
	Farm, Baston	Lincolnshire	Kesteven	unsuitable/deliverability
MS22-SL	West View,	South	South	Site
	Baston	Lincolnshire	Kesteven	unsuitable/deliverability
MS23-SL	Land at Greatford	South	South	Deliverability
		Lincolnshire	Kesteven	
MS24-SL	Stowe and Glen	South	South	Site
	Farms, Greatford	Lincolnshire	Kesteven	unsuitable/deliverability
MS25-SL	Manor Farm,	South	South	Deliverability
	Greatford	Lincolnshire	Kesteven	
MS26b-SL	Urn Farm	South	South	Site
	(eastern and	Lincolnshire	Kesteven	unsuitable/deliverability
	western parts)			

NB Deliverability = Sites where there is no current interest expressed by the minerals industry and/or sites that are unlikely to be worked during the Plan period.

Next steps

- 1.25. It is intended that a series of meetings will be held with Parish Councils to make them aware of the sites in their areas during the formal consultation period. As outlined above meetings have already been held with the District Councils to enable their comments to be influence the choice of sites before the Committee today.
- 1.26. A Draft Site Locations document is being prepared and will be presented to Executive for consideration and approval prior to public consultation under Regulation 18 of the Town and County Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. This will set out the preferred locations for minerals and waste development in the County to 2031 including any specific policy and development management requirements that will need to be met to bring them forward.
- 1.27. Alongside the Draft document a number of other evidence base and supporting assessments are being prepared to be made available as part of the consultation exercise. These include:
 - A Sites and Areas Report documenting the site assessment methodology and site selection process;
 - Sustainability Appraisal of the Draft Plan and its proposals;
 - Habitats Regulation Assessment Screening Report;
 - Sequential Test;
 - Consultation outcomes report for previous rounds of consultation.
- 1.28. Following the public consultation on the draft plan, any comments received will be taken into account to prepare a 'Pre-Submission' version of the Site Locations document that will be subject to a further round of consultation. This will be the version of the document that the Council intends to submit to the Secretary of State for examination.

Timetable

1.29. In order to ensure the timely delivery of the MWLP the following work programme and timetable is being worked to for the Site Locations document.

Date	Activity
Autumn 2015	Draft Site Locations document consultation
Winter 2015/16	Preparation of Pre-Submission Site Location document
Spring 2016	Pre-Submission Site Location document consultation
Summer 2016	Submission
Autumn 2016	Examination
Winter 2015/16	Adoption

2. Conclusion

- 2.1 This report sets out progress to date on the MWLP Site Locations document and the preferred locations for future sand and gravel extraction and waste development in the County. Accordingly it is recommended that Members:
 - consider and endorse the preferred mineral sites for inclusion in the Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Draft Site Locations Development Plan Document currently being prepared for public consultation Autumn 2015;
 - consider and endorse the preferred waste sites and areas for inclusion in the Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Draft Site Locations Development Plan Document currently being prepared for public consultation;
 - authorise the Development Manager in consultation with the Chairman
 of this Committee to make changes to the preferred sites prior to
 consideration by the Executive where this is necessary to amend any
 minor errors, or where a proponent of a site fails to provide the
 verification/clarification details currently being sought and to provide
 the Executive with the views of the Scrutiny Committee.

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	East Lindsey Sites	
Appendix B	North Kesteven Sites	
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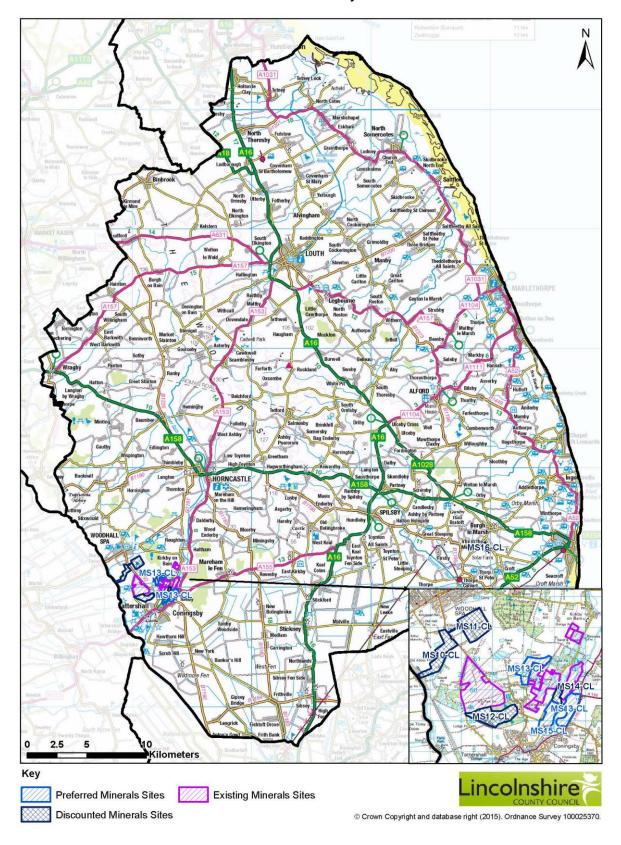
5. Background Papers

The following background papers as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 were relied upon in the writing of this report.

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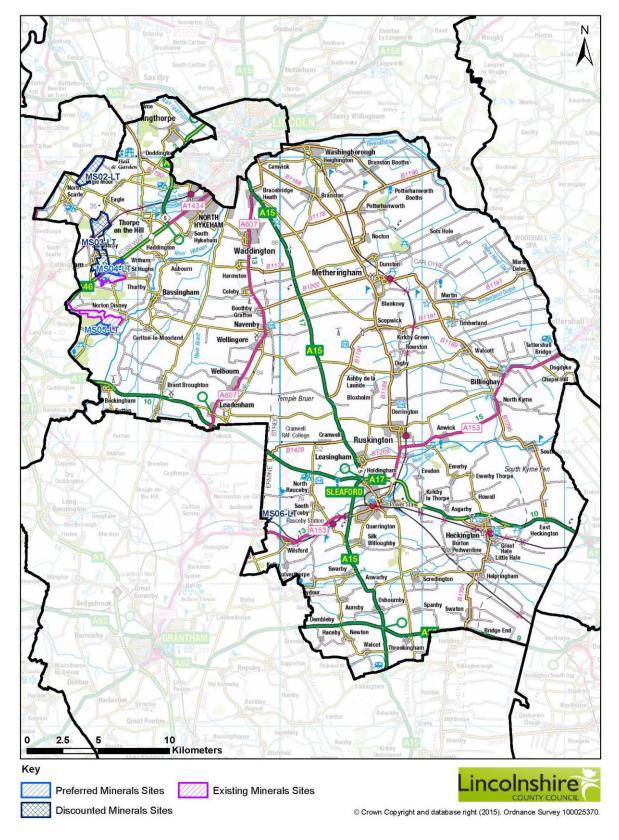
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APPENDIX A EAST LINDSEY SITES



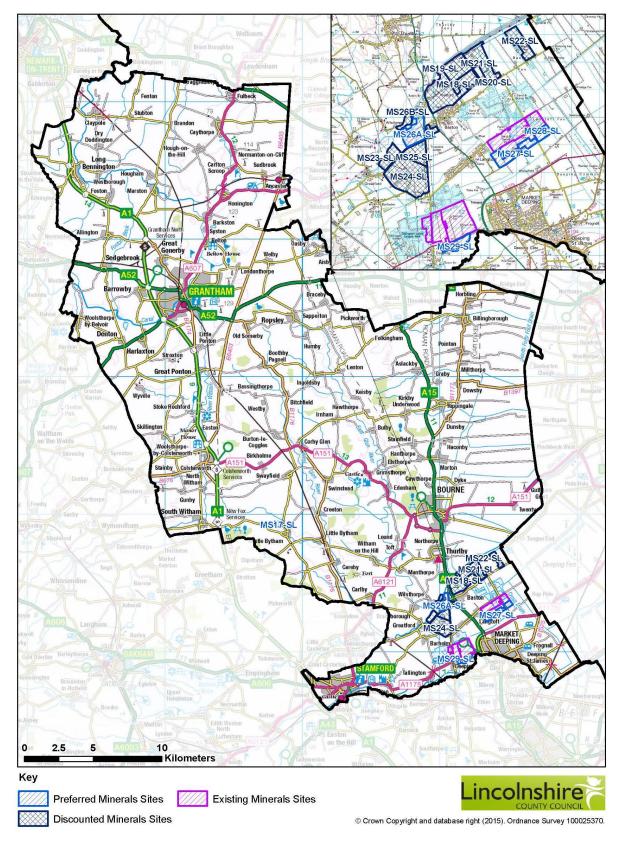
All Mineral Sites and Areas in East Lindsey

APPENDIX B NORTH KESTEVEN SITES



All Mineral Sites and Areas in North Kesteven

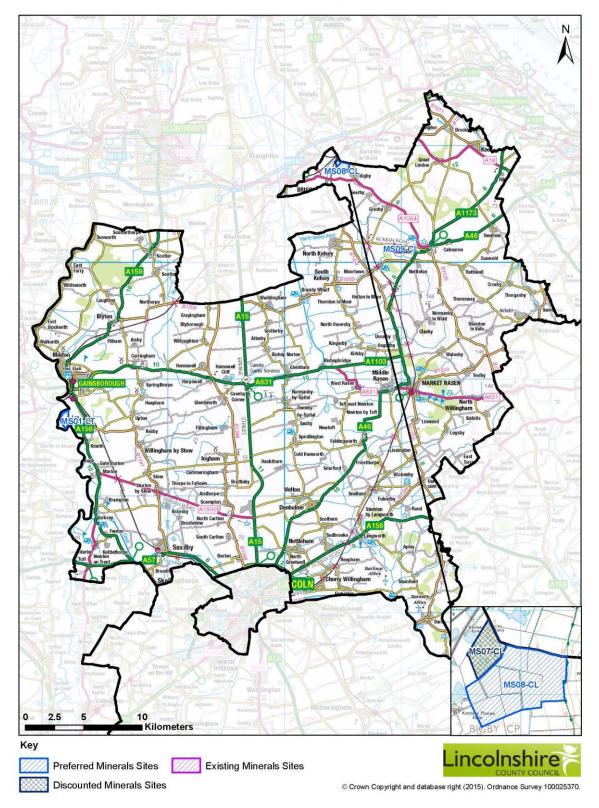
APPENDIX C SOUTH KESTEVEN SITES



All Mineral Sites and Areas in South Kesteven

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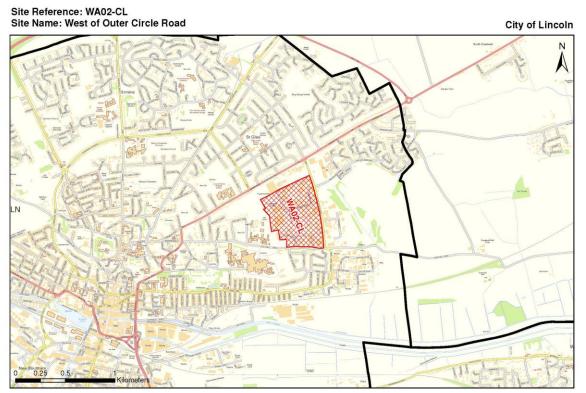
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APPENDIX E PREFERRED WASTE AREAS

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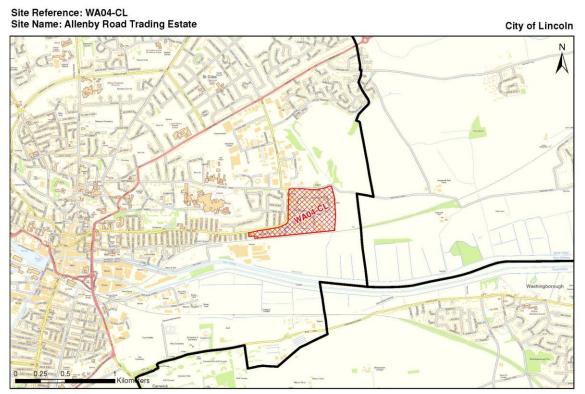
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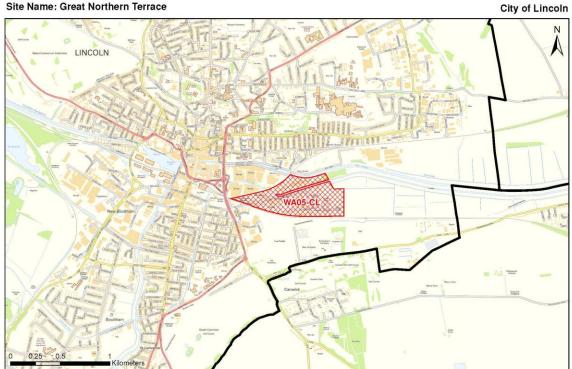


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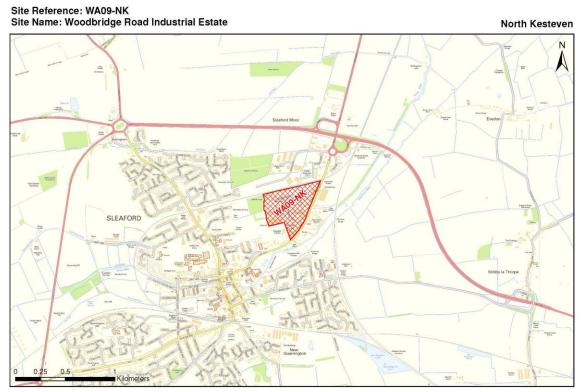


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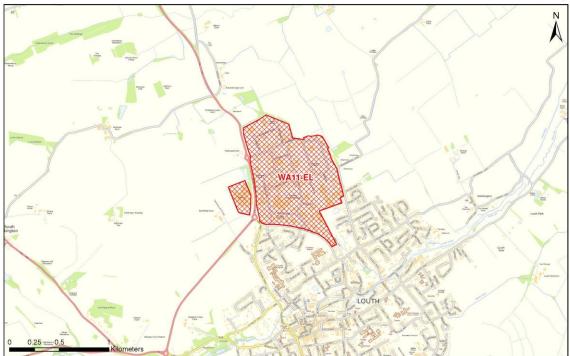
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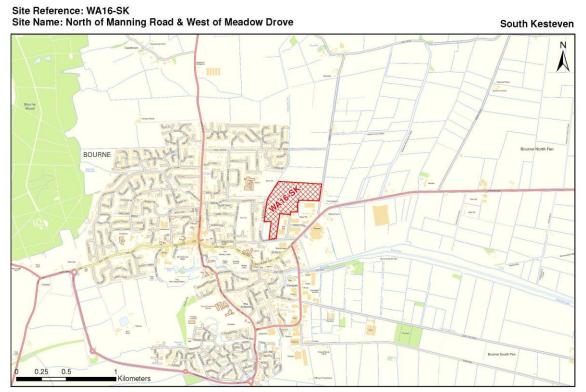
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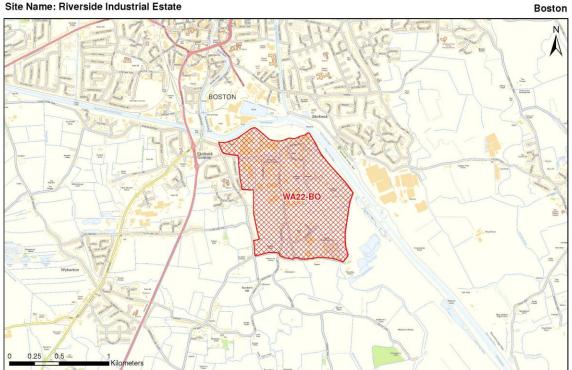




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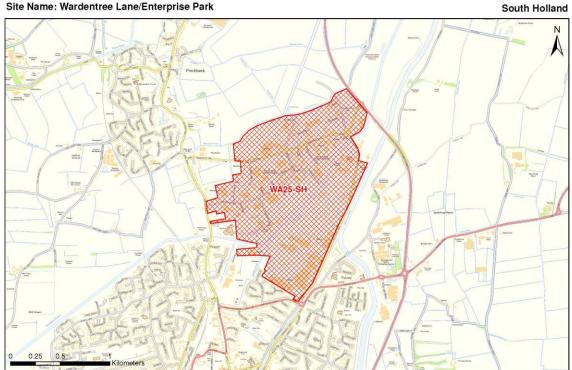
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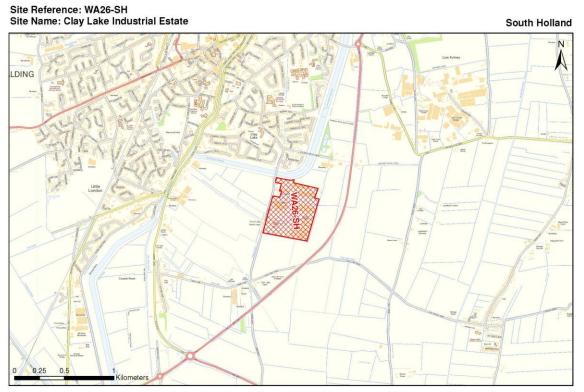
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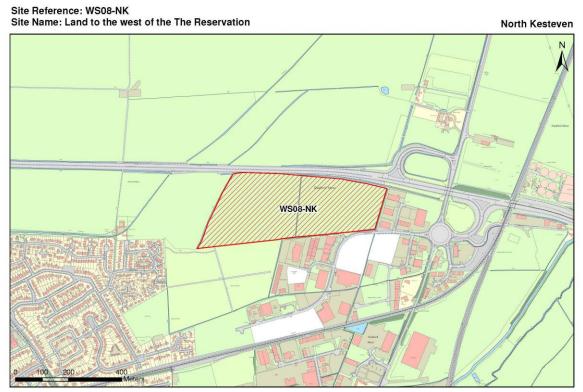


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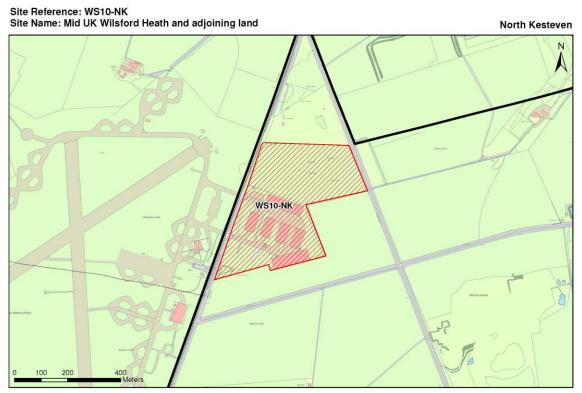
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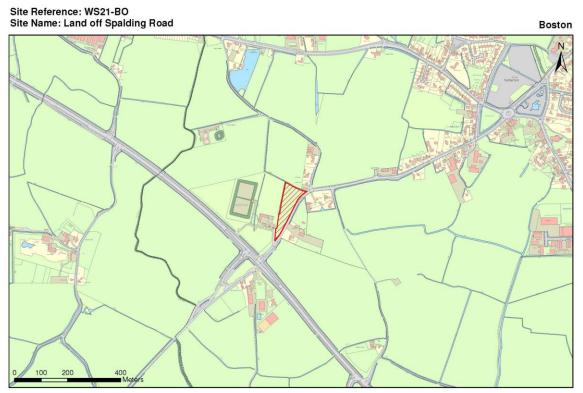


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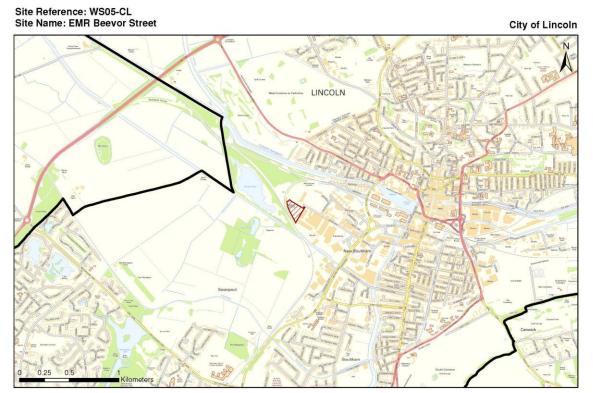
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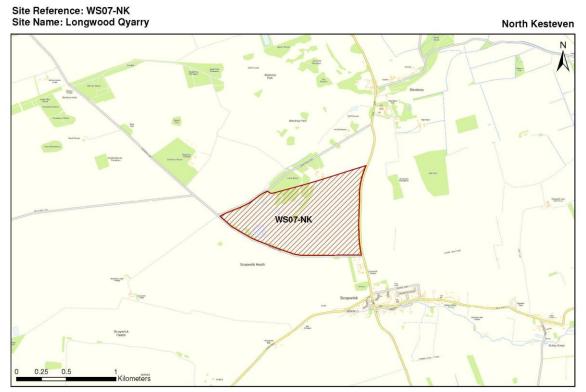


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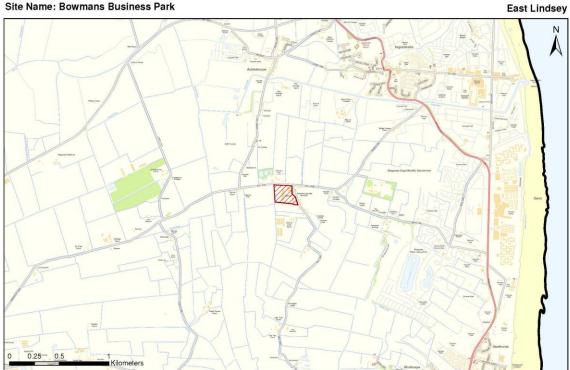


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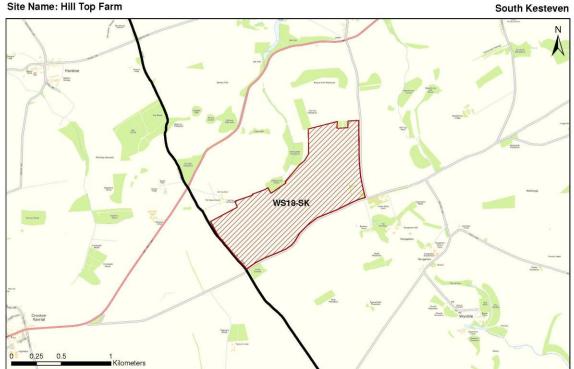
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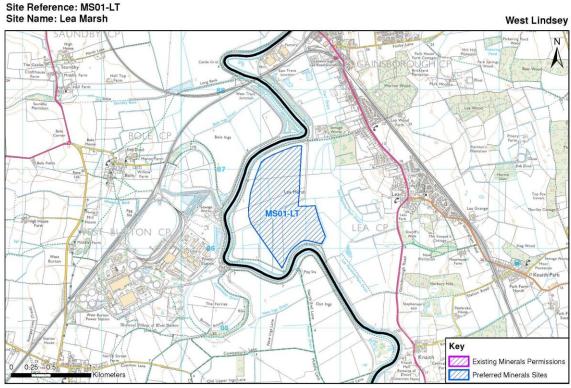
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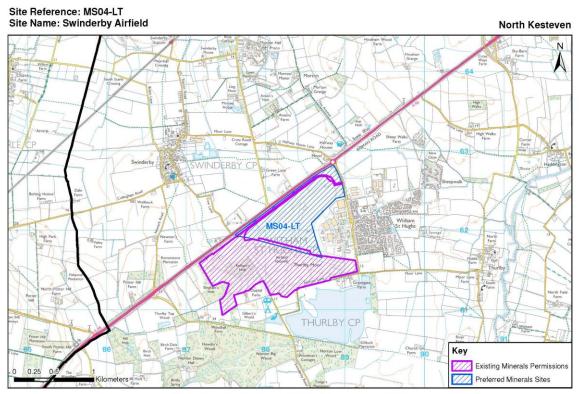
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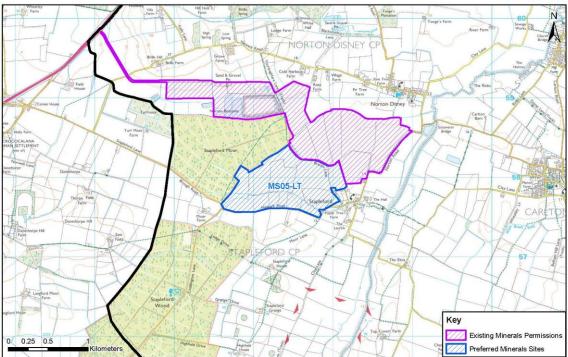
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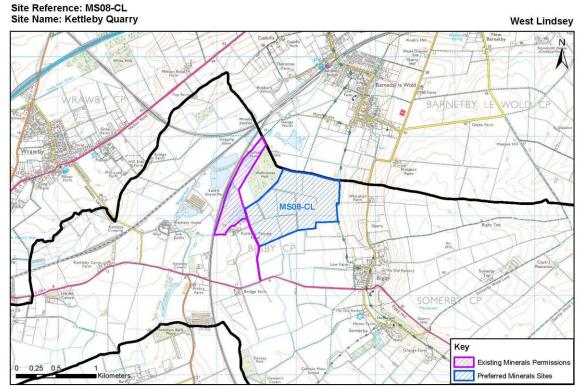
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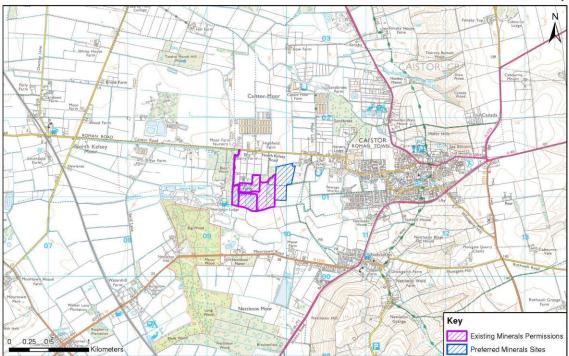


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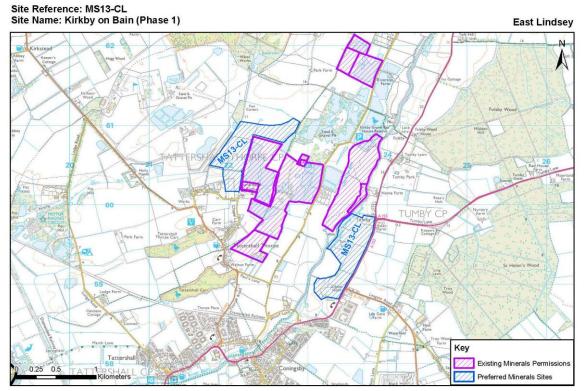


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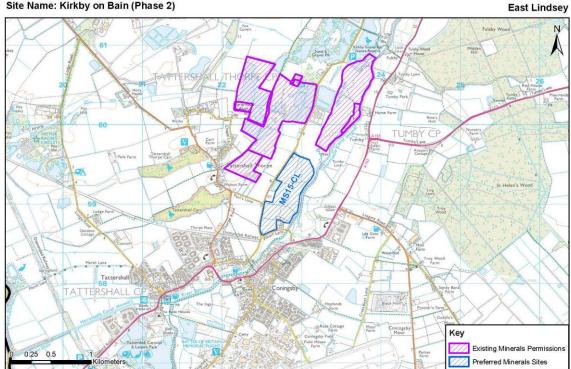




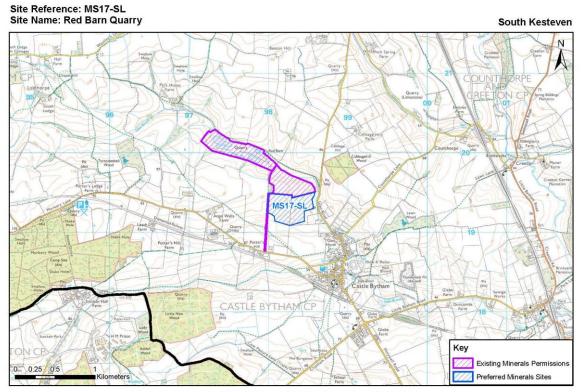
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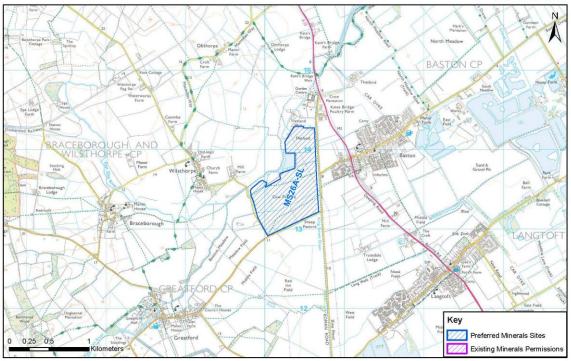
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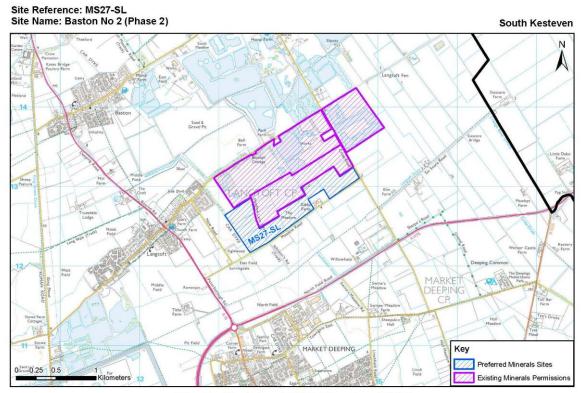
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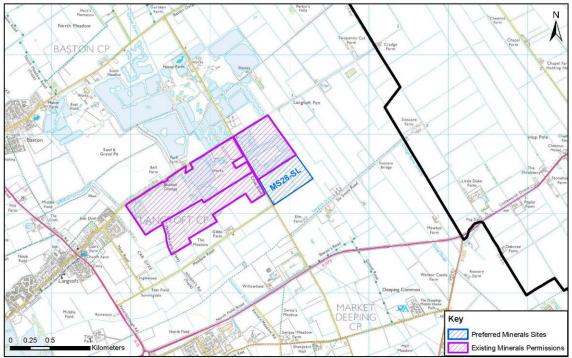
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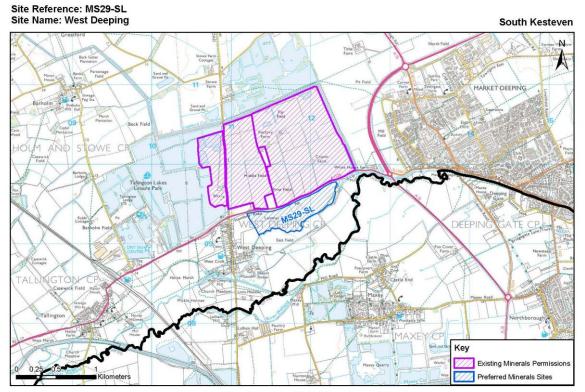
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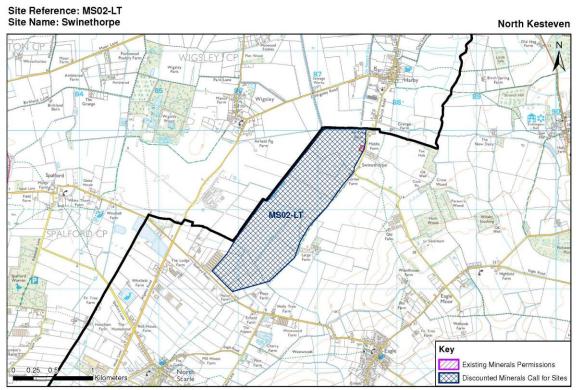




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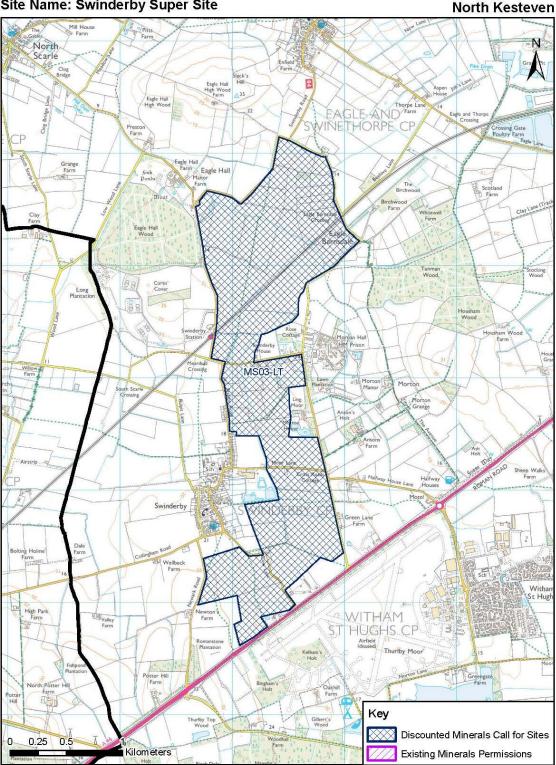


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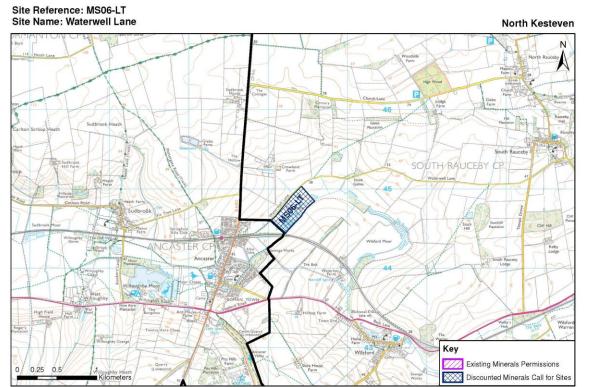


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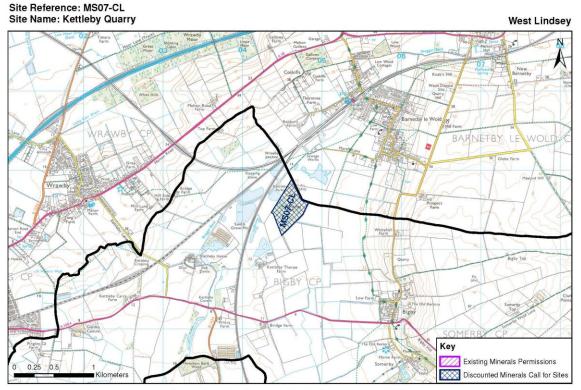
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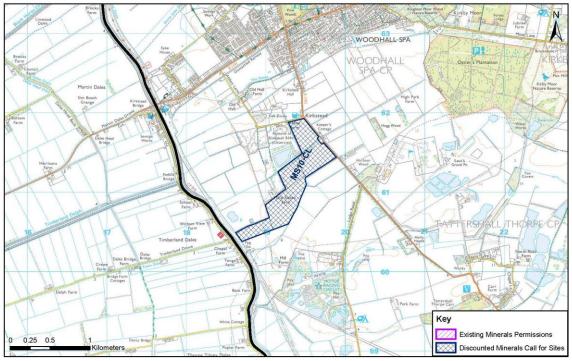


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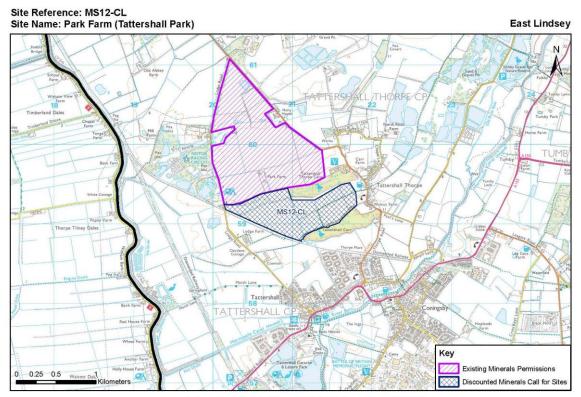


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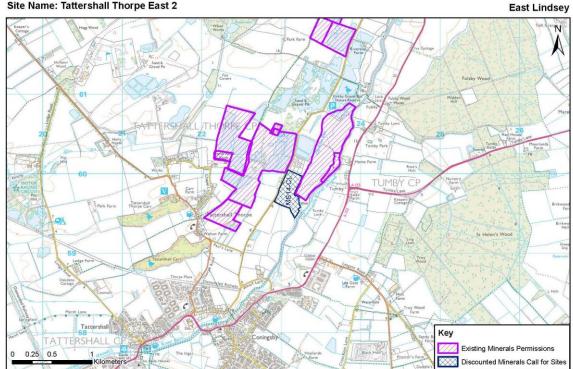


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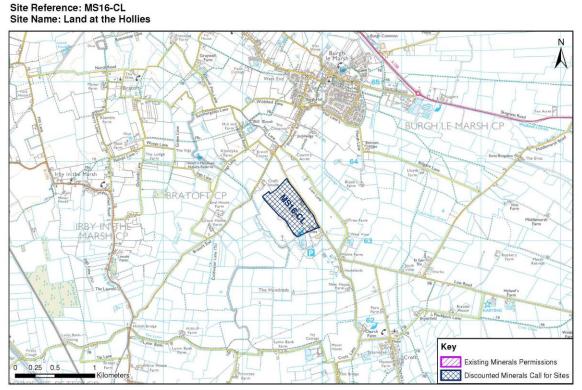


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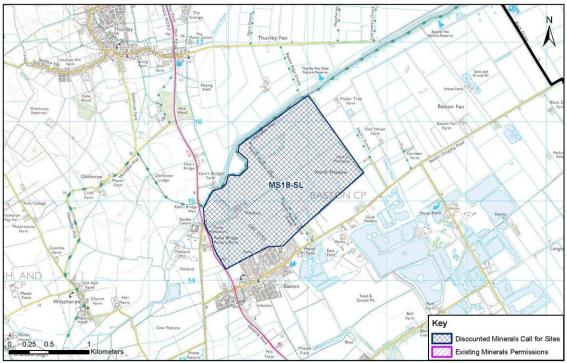
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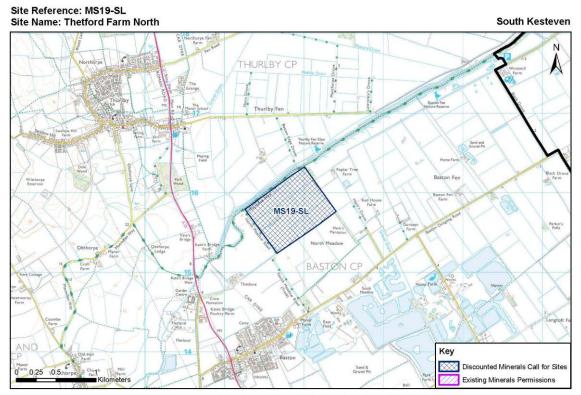
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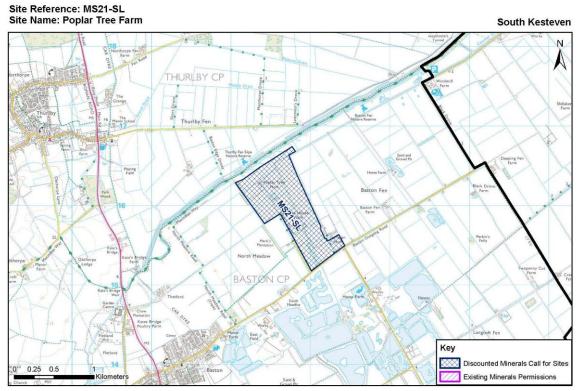


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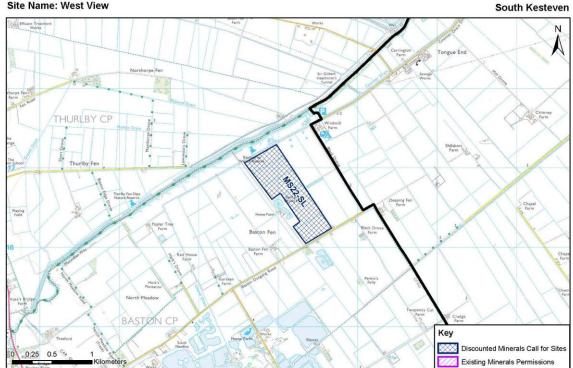




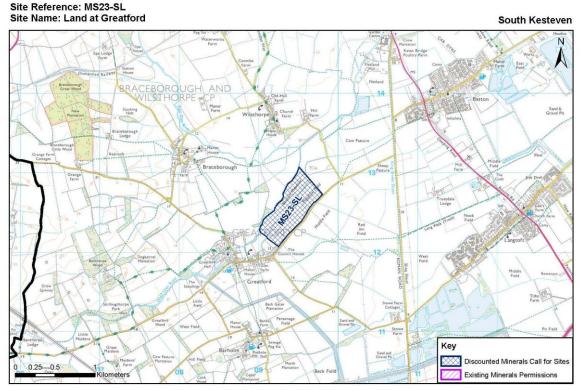
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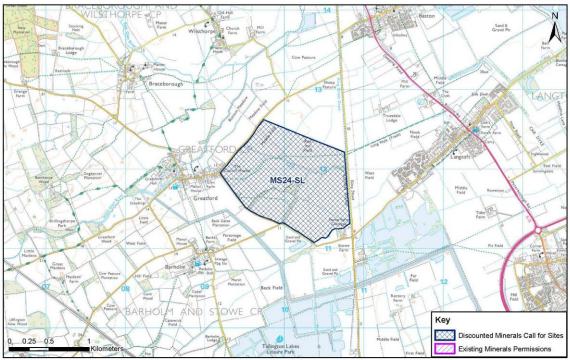
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Policy and Scrutiny

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

Report to:	Environmental Scrutiny Committee
Date:	31 July 2015
Subject:	Establishment of Waste Working Group

Summary:

Following the meeting of the Committee on 12 June 2015, it was agreed in principle to establish a Working Group of the Committee to consider issues relating to waste.

This report seeks the formal approval of the Committee to establish a Waste Working Group and to appoint a number of members to that Group.

Actions Required:

i) To approve the establishment of a Waste Working Group; and

ii) To appoint members of the Committee to the Working Group.

1. Background

At the meeting of the Committee held on 12th June 2015, the Committee agreed in principle to establish a Working Group to consider waste issues.

The purpose of the Working Group would be to work with officers to consider indepth waste issues across the County including waste collection and the impact on other areas such as recycling levels and fly tipping.

The Committee is now asked to agree to the establishment of a Working Group and appoint members of the Committee to the Group.

2. Conclusion

The establishment of a Waste Working Group will enable members to consider indepth various issues about waste.

3. Consultation

a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

N/A

4. 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 Louise Tyers, who can be contacted on 01522 552102 or louise.tyers@lincolnshire.gov.uk.



Policy and Scrutiny

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

Report to:	Environmental Scrutiny Committee	
Date:	31 July 2015	
Subject:	Environmental Scrutiny Committee Work Programme	

Summary:

This item enables the Committee to consider and comment on the content of its work programme for the coming year.

Actions Required:

To consider and comment on the work programme as set out in Appendix A to this report.

1. Background

The Committee's work programme for the coming year is attached at Appendix A to this report. The Committee is invited to consider and comment on the content of the work programme.

Work Programme Definitions

Set out below are the definitions used to describe the types of scrutiny, relating to the items on the Work Programme:

<u>Budget Scrutiny</u> - The Committee is scrutinising the previous year's budget, or the current year's budget or proposals for the future year's budget.

<u>Pre-Decision Scrutiny</u> - The Committee is scrutinising a proposal, prior to a decision on the proposal by the Executive, the Executive Councillor or a senior officer.

<u>Performance Scrutiny</u> - The Committee is scrutinising periodic performance, issue specific performance or external inspection reports.

<u>Policy Development</u> - The Committee is involved in the development of policy, usually at an early stage, where a range of options are being considered.

<u>Consultation</u> - The Committee is responding to (or making arrangements to) respond to a consultation, either formally or informally. This includes preconsultation engagement.

<u>Status Report</u> - The Committee is considering a topic for the first time where a specific issue has been raised or members wish to gain a greater understanding.

<u>Update Report</u> - The Committee is scrutinising an item following earlier consideration.

<u>Scrutiny Review Activity</u> - This includes discussion on possible scrutiny review items; finalising the scoping for the review; monitoring or interim reports; approval of the final report; and the response to the report.

2. Conclusion

To consider and comment on the Work Programme.

3. Consultation

a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

This report does not require policy proofing.

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report		
Appendix A Environmental Scrutiny Committee Work Programme		

5. Background Papers

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ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor Lewis Strange Vice Chairman: Councillor Victoria Ayling

4 September 2015, 10.00am		
Flood and Drainage Management Scrutiny Committee		
ltem	Contributor	Purpose
Growth and the Impact on Infrastructure	Alan Simpson, Anglian Water	Status Report
Louth and Horncastle Flood Alleviation Schemes Update	Deborah Campbell, Environment Agency	Update Report
Black Sluice Pumping Station Catchment Works	Deborah Campbell, Environment Agency	Status Report
Investigations held under Section 19 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010	Mark Welsh, Flood Risk and Development Manager	Update Report
Greater Lincolnshire LEP: Water Management Plan and Lincolnshire Coastal Vision	David Hickman, Strategic Partnership Manager	Status Report

4 September 2015, 1.30pm		
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Quarter 1 Performance – 1 April to 30 June 2015	Sean Kent, Group Manager Environmental Services	Performance Scrutiny
Affordable Warmth Update	Doug Robinson, Sustainability Team Leader and Sean Johnson, Senior Programme Officer – Planning and Environmental Public Health	Update Report
Carbon Management Plan Annual Report	Doug Robinson, Sustainability Team Leader	Update Report
Implementing the Natural Environment Strategy	David Hickman	Status Report

23 October 2015, 10.00am		
Possibly to be held at Canebuzo, Long Sutton		
ltem	Contributor	Purpose
Sea Defences – Wash Frontagers' Group	Stafford Proctor, Wash Frontagers' Group	Status Report

4 December 2015, 10.00am		
ltem	Contributor	Purpose
Quarter 2 Performance – 1 July to 30 September 2015	Sean Kent, Group Manager Environmental Services	Performance Scrutiny
Heating Network Progress Report	Sean Kent, Group Manager Environmental Services	Update Report

11 December 2015, 10.00am Flood and Drainage Management Scrutiny Committee			
Item Contributor Purpose			
Louth and Horncastle Flood Alleviation Schemes Update	Deborah Campbell, Environment Agency	Update Report	
Boston Barrier	Deborah Campbell, Environment Agency	Update Report	
Investigations held under Section 19 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010	Mark Welsh, Flood Risk and Development Manager	Update Report	

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