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Mid-Lincolnshire Local Access Forum Meeting

A meeting of the Mid-Lincolnshire Local Access Forum will be held on **Tuesday, 17 April 2018 at 2.00 pm in The Stanhope Hall, Boston Road, Horncastle, Lincs LN9 6NF** for the transaction of the business set out on the attached Agenda.

Yours sincerely

Richard Wills
Head of Paid Service

Membership of the Mid-Lincolnshire Local Access Forum

Councillor William James Aron, (Lincolnshire County Council)
Councillor Charles Lewis Strange, (Lincolnshire County Council)
Councillor Iain Colquhoun, (North East Lincolnshire Council)
Chris Padley, (Users of Local Rights of Way) (Chairman)
Sheila Brookes, (Users of Local Rights of Way) (Vice-Chairman)
Dr Chris Allison, (Users of Local Rights of Way)
Richard East, (Users of Local Rights of Way)
Peter McKenzie-Brown, (Users of Local Rights of Way)
Colin Smith, (Users of Local Rights of Way)
Helen Pitman, (Users of Local Rights of Way)
Sandra Harrison, (Landowners)
Ray Shipley, (Landowners)
Richard Graham, (Other Interests)
David Salkeld, (Other Interests)
3 Vacancies (Other Interests)
3 Vacancies (Land Owners)

MID-LINCOLNSHIRE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM AGENDA
TUESDAY, 17 APRIL 2018

Item	Title	Report Reference
1	Apologies for Absence	
2	Declarations of Members' Interests	
3	Minutes of the previous meeting of the Mid Lincolnshire Local Access Forum held on 23 January 2018	(Pages 5 - 12)
4	English Coastal Footpath - Update <i>(Chris Miller, Team Leader, Countryside Services, Lincolnshire County Council, will give an update on progress of the footpath)</i>	(Pages 13 - 14)
5	Recent Inclement Weather - Help Provided by Lincolnshire Community Assistance Team (L-CAT) <i>(To receive a report by David Salkeld, Rights of Way Officer, L-CAT, in connection with the assistance provided by L-CAT to local communities in the recent inclement weather at the end of February 2018)</i>	(Pages 15 - 18)
6	Report back on the South Kesteven District Council planners training event <i>(The Chairman will report on his attendance at the South Kesteven District Council planners' training event. The Forum will recall that the Chairman received an invite following the letter to the Chief Executives of District Councils in Lincolnshire from the Chairmen of both Lincolnshire's Local Access Forums in connection with communication with the Local Access Forums on planning applications)</i>	(Verbal Report)
7	Achieving Added Value for Tourism and Business from Coastal Management <i>(A report presented to Lincolnshire County Council's Environment and Economic Scrutiny Committee on 28 November 2017 and a minute of that item. This is brought to the Forum for information and comment)</i>	(Pages 19 - 28)
8	Countryside for All <i>(This is a regular report from John Law, a representative on the South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum. The Forum is asked to consider any actions requested in the report)</i>	(Pages 29 - 34)
9	North East Lincolnshire Council's Countryside Rights of Way Improvement Plan 2 (ROWIP2) <i>(To receive an update from Matthew Chaplin (Public Rights of Way Mapping Officer, North East Lincolnshire Council, on preparation of their ROWIP2)</i>	(Pages 35 - 36)
10	Lincolnshire County Council's Definitive Map Modification Orders	(Pages 37 - 42)

(A report by Catherine Beeby, Senior Definitive Map Officer (Countryside), on progress of the Council's Definitive Map Modification Orders)

- 11 North East Lincolnshire Council's Definitive Map Modification Orders** (Pages 43 - 44)
(A report by Matthew Chaplin, Public Rights of Way Mapping Officer, which provides an update of the Council's Modification Orders)
- 12 Lincolnshire County Council's Progress of Public Path Orders** (Pages 45 - 46)
(A report by Catherine Beeby, Senior Definitive Map Officer (Countryside), on progress of the Council's Public Path Orders)
- 13 North East Lincolnshire Council's Progress of Public Path Orders** (Pages 47 - 48)
(A report by Matthew Chaplin, Public Rights of Way Mapping Officer, on progress of the Council's Public Path Orders)
- 14 Date and Time of the Next Meeting**
(The next meeting of the Forum has been arranged for Tuesday 3 July 2018 at the Village Hall, Huttoft. Please note there will be an opportunity to walk some of the new footpaths in the Coastal Country Park at 2.00pm and then return to the Village Hall for the meeting proper at 3.15pm, or whichever is later, depending on the time taken to complete the walk)

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**MID-LINCOLNSHIRE LOCAL ACCESS
FORUM
23 JANUARY 2018**

PRESENT: CHRIS PADLEY (CHAIRMAN)

Representing Lincolnshire County Council: Councillors Bill Aron and Lewis Strange

Representing North East Lincolnshire Council: Apology received (see minute 106)

Representing Independent Members: Sheila Brookes, Ray Shipley, Colin Smith, Richard Graham and David Salkeld

Officers: Steve Blagg (Democratic Services Officer), Matthew Chaplin (Public Rights of Way Mapping Officer, North East Lincolnshire Council), Chris Miller (Team Leader for Countryside Services) and Catherine Beeby (Senior Definitive Map Officer)

105 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions asked by the public.

106 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Iain Colquhoun, Sandra Harrison and Helen Pitman.

Councillor Lewis Strange informed the meeting that he had permanently replaced Councillor Hugo Marfleet on the Forum.

107 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest at this stage of the meeting.

108 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE MID LINCOLNSHIRE
LOCAL ACCESS FORUM HELD ON 24 OCTOBER 2017

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 24 October 2017, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

109 PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN THE WESTERN GROWTH CORRIDOR, LINCOLN - NEED FOR RIGHTS OF WAY AND CYCLE ROUTES (MINUTE 94 (A))

The Chairman confirmed that he had submitted the Forum's response agreed at the last meeting in connection with the need for rights of way in the proposed Western Growth Corridor, in the City of Lincoln and no feedback had been received to date. The next stage of the development was awaited. Officers stated that County Council officers had made representations about the need for rights of way similar to those of the Forum. Officers stated that the connection of the A46 to the proposed development was another issue which would need to be considered.

A member commented that recent statistics from the Department of Transport stated that walking had declined in the last ten years and that cycling had increased. Another member stated that those countries with high cycling rates were normally countries where the national government had been heavily involved in developing cycle routes.

110 GENERIC ADVICE TO PLANNING AUTHORITIES (MINUTE 95)

The Forum was informed that responses had been received from District Councils to the letter sent on behalf by the Chairmen of both Local Access Forums on 18 July 2017, expressing concern about the effects of planning applications on rights of way.

The Forum welcomed the positive response received and noted that some District Councils had requested that the Chairman and appropriate officers should attend their planning training sessions to explain rights of way.

The Forum discussed Parish Council Neighbourhood Plans and agreed that the Forum should be a consultee in the preparation of the Plans to enable them to provide advice about rights of way. The preparation of Neighbourhood Plans was explained in the National Planning and Policy Framework and planning authorities were required to take them into consideration.

The Forum wished to be kept informed about Neighbourhood Plans in the capacity of a consultee. The Forum noted that Cherry Willingham Parish Council's Neighbourhood Plan had referred to rights of way in view of proposed residential development near the River Witham. Officers agreed to send Cherry Willingham's Neighbourhood Plan to members and agreed to keep members informed of future Neighbourhood Plans. Officers stated that rights of way in Parish Plans were also linked in to the County Council's Rights of Way Improvement Plan.

Ray Shipley raised a problem of a blocked public footpath at Cliff Farm, Heighington and officers agreed to investigate this matter and respond to him.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the responses received from District Councils to the letter sent by the Chairmen of both Forums on 18 July 2017, on the effects of planning applications on rights of way, be noted.
- (b) That the request by some District Councils for the Chairman and officers to attend planning training sessions be accepted.
- (c) That officers send details of Parish Neighbourhood Plans to both Forums to allow them to respond as a consultee on rights of way.
- (d) That, in the meantime, officers send the Cherry Willingham Neighbourhood Plan to members in view of Cherry Willingham Parish Council's concern about rights of way access from a proposed development close to the River Witham.
- (e) That officers investigate the problems of a blocked right of way at Cliff Farm, Heighington and respond to Ray Shipley.

111 ENGLISH COASTAL FOOTPATH - UPDATE (MINUTE 96)

The Forum received a verbal update on the development of the English Coastal Footpath in Lincolnshire.

Officers stated that Natural England was proposing to open the first stretch of the footpath between Skegness and Mablethorpe at Easter 2018 and it was hoped that this first stretch of the footpath would be opened to coincide with the opening of the new Observatory in the Coastal Country Park.

Officers stated that an imminent announcement by Natural England was expected on the proposed route from Skegness to Sutton Bridge with the proposed use of the Drainage Board's bridge at Gibraltar Point looking the best option for a right of way and being maintained by the County Council.

Officers stated that Natural England was examining the proposed route of the footpath from Mablethorpe to the Humber with the likelihood that the route would have to come inland to avoid the seal sanctuary at Donna Nook. Officers stated that they were speaking to landowners in this area and while not expecting too many objections it was likely that there would be one objection from a landowner who preferred walkers to be kept on the bank itself.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

112 LOCAL ACCESS FORUMS ANNUAL REPORTS

The Forum was informed that a communication had been received from Natural England in connection with the Local Access Forum Annual Report 2016/17 and

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2017/18. Natural England had decided that because of limited resources and the need to reallocate responsibility of operational work, it had been decided not to run the usual Local Access Forum reporting process. Natural England had stated that they would gladly receive any completed reports but were prepared to leave it to the discretion of LAFs to submit one or not and would look to implement the updated process for 2017/18.

The Forum agreed that as Natural England was being reorganised they would not want to receive annual reports at this time as there was no one there to allocate them to.

RESOLVED

That the communication received from Natural England in connection with Local Access Forums Annual Reports be noted.

113 COUNTRYSIDE FOR ALL

The Forum received a report from John Law, a representative on the South Lincolnshire Local Access Forum, in connection with Countryside for All.

Richard Graham stated that he had attended the "Inclusive Countryside Access Course" on 23 November 2017, as detailed in the report and had found the course very useful especially the use of rights of way for disabled people. Richard Graham stated that gradient changes to rights of way should be given more consideration when planning routes for disabled people and explained the three categories of disabilities.

Members discussed rights of way for disabled people, including types of disabilities, the importance of rights of way to help improve mental health, the benefits of rights of way for public health and helping to improve the lives of people living on their own through community walking. A member informed the Forum that there was an organisation called CALM (Countryside Access for the Lesser Mobile) who took disabled people out into the countryside in vehicles.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

114 NORTH EAST COUNTRYSIDE AND RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN (ROWIP 2)

Officers stated that North East Lincolnshire Council was currently updating its Rights of Way Improvement Plan 2, drafting its user needs survey and examining areas of interest to be included in ROWIP2.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

115 LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDERS

The Forum received a progress report from Lincolnshire County Council on their Definitive Map Orders.

Issues highlighted included:-

- Coningsby (Case 182) – The Public Inquiry had been rescheduled due to the objector being ill. Officers would attend the Inquiry and were in the process of reviewing evidence.
- Middle Rasen (Case 72) – The Chairman stated that he was a party to this case and added that the Parish Council had received a letter from the County Council which had been circulated to all parties including the Planning Inspectorate.
- There was a brief discussion about Lost Ways with the Forum noting that there had not been any increase in applications; that Lost Ways were only likely to be of interest to communities where there was knowledge that a route had existed but had disappeared; that some Rambling areas had shown little interest in investigating their disappearance; the British Horse Society had shown some interest but it required individuals to undertake the investigation work. Officers stated that they would be writing to Parish Councils about Lost Ways.
- A member commented about the ending of the High Level Stewardship Scheme and its implications for rights of way. The Forum was informed that the Government was examining a new countryside policy following the decision to leave the EU and now was the time to lobby the Government about rights of way and access. Officers stated that the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs had recently made an announcement about the future of farming and the countryside including public access to the countryside. Lobbying groups had highlighted access to the countryside.
- Officers hoped that the Rural Payments Agency would continue as it would help enforcement of rights of way across agricultural land.
- It was important to get the wider public on the side of those wishing to see rights of way and access to the countryside protected.
- A record of Higher Stewardship footpaths was retained by Colin Smith.
- Officers stated that they were examining whether to publish Definitive Map Modification Order decision reports on-line which would help the public to understand the implications of any proposed changes.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted

116 NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL'S DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDERS

The Forum received a report from North East Lincolnshire Council on the progress of its Definitive Map Modification Orders.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

117 LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S PROGRESS OF PUBLIC PATH ORDERS

The Forum received a report from Lincolnshire County Council in connection with the progress of its Public Path Orders.

Issues highlighted included:-

- By diverting certain routes in the Coastal Country Park area it was hoped to provide better routes for walkers.
- Following an enquiry about a footpath in Woodhall Spa, officers stated that they were seeking to divert this route but discussions were on-going with the landowner and there was also the need to examine the width of the footpath.
- Following an enquiry about the difficulties of the proposal by the Council to develop a provisional Public Path Order Policy, officers stated that they were currently examining this matter but the outcome of the De-Regulation Act needed to be known before they could undertake this task.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

118 NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL'S PROGRESS OF PUBLIC PATH ORDERS

The Forum received a report from North East Lincolnshire Council in connection with the progress of their Public Path Orders.

Officers stated that a report was due to be submitted to the Planning Committee in January 2018, in connection with Stallingborough FP21 recommending that the footpath should be diverted.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

119 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING**RESOLVED**

That the Summer meeting of the Forum be arranged for 2.00pm on Tuesday 10 July 2018, at Huttoft Village Hall.

(Post meeting note: The date of this meeting has been re-arranged for 2.00pm on Tuesday 3 July 2018. The venue remains the same.)

The meeting closed at 3.15 pm

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English Coast Path Update

Section 1 – Sutton Bridge to Skegness

Currently is in the "report published" stage and open for consultation – To date I am aware that two objections to the route alignment have been made which will mean that the matter will need to be determined by the Secretary of State (through the Planning Inspectorate) to assess whether a "fair balance" has been struck. The impression given by Natural England was that the objections were unlikely to displace the currently proposed route alignment.

Once confirmed the County Council will undertake establishment works and signage. This will include works to clear sea buckthorn, install necessary gates and erect waymarks and signposts. The major piece of establishment work is the refurbishment of the existing Internal Drainage Board bridge at Gibraltar Point. This can only be done at certain times of the year due to the sensitivity of the site and its protected status. The route is planned to be available in early 2019.

Section 2 – Skegness to Mablethorpe

This short section of the route is in its establishment phase and some signage and works have already been completed. It was hoped that the route would be open by early summer but major construction works to build a link between to separate sections of promenade in Chapel St Leonards has been delayed. Unfortunately the works to the new North Sea Observatory were hampered by the recent easterly weather events and its opening is now delayed to early summer and as a consequence the car park for it will only have just re-opened and it would not be sensible to close half of it again for the promenade works during the summer tourist season. Works will commence in early September with a view to a path launch in mid-late Autumn.

Section 3 – Mablethorpe to Humber Bridge

For the LCC section route selection is progressing well with the owners of land now contacted. The key issue that requires to be resolved is the alignment of the route around Donna Nook to ensure that environmental concerns (regarding the seals) and MoD concerns for the bombing range are properly addressed and accounted for. It is expected that the report will be published later this year with a proposed launch date in 2019.

Chris Miller
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L-CAT

Lincolnshire Community Assistance Team

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Called To Do What It Says On The Tin

L-CAT's very existence is to provide assistance in times of emergency situations such as severe weather.

The “Beast from the East” has twice this February March called L-CAT into action.



The first occasion we were called out by LCC Emergency Planning to assist in the transporting of medical personnel to their work.

L-CAT is affiliated to the Local Resilience Forum and recognised as a competent volunteer organisation capable of being useful assistance in emergency situations. The weekend of 24th/25th February the weather reports were giving Amber snow warnings for Lincolnshire. On Sunday evening, L-CAT issued a “STANDBY” to its members and asked for availability for 12 hour periods. We also informed the LFR and Lincolnshire Police that we were ready to assist if needed. The evening of Tuesday 27th February the weather became increasingly bad and road conditions across the county became difficult. We had a list of available members. Earlier that day the call out phone had been transferred to me in Louth. Therefore L-CAT Control was in my living room. That evening the phone rang. First time for me! It was Lincolnshire police control asking us for assistance in the Caistor area. I deployed 2 of our members in 2 vehicles. We rarely send out solo so as to provide support for each other.

We also received a call to assist in the South Lincolnshire area and I was able to deploy members there. That evening we attended 2 to 4 incidents.

Wednesday morning saw a reasonable covering of snow and the situation was worsening by the hour. We received a call from Emergency Planning who were convened in Lincoln for our availability. I sent them our availability list. I then was instructed by our leader/ main member to call all available members in to Louth. My kitchen/ dining room became L-CAT Incident HQ! By 14:00 we were deployed to Lincoln and Gainsborough to transport medical personnel to their medical centres.

Eventually I was deployed to The Emergency Planning Center in South Park Lincoln. From there I and three teams were deployed to the County Hospital and carried out another 3 jobs. That evening we completed 7 transport jobs.

I was relieved of my control duties for Wednesday night. However, I had been called by BBC Radio Lincolnshire and gave a telephone report live on county radio.

By Thursday morning virtually the whole of Lincolnshire was at gridlock! This was due to several HGVs jack-knifing and blocking several main roads.

Later on the Thursday afternoon we received calls for assistance from Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Trust and Community Care Organisations. Thursday 1st into Friday 2nd March was an intensely busy period for L-CAT. Our duty control Phill in Grimsby only managed a couple of hours sleep. However, several successful missions were completed.

Apart from Meals on Wheels by 15:45 on Saturday 3rd March we received the STAND DOWN from Emergency Planning/LRF.

Well, we all thought that was that for another few years?! Unfortunately, not! Friday 16th March our 001 Leader went off on his holiday to Norway. I was given the Call Out phone and L-CAT Control was back in my hands. Again there was Amber snow warnings so L-CAT went to Standby. I gathered an availability list and later on Saturday 17th we were requested for our availability list by Emergency Planning.

Saturday afternoon I decided to ask, via Facebook, for any weather and road conditions reports, which many people did send. I began to get a picture of what was happening across the county. I went to bed around 23:15 and reported on Facebook L-CAT Control was turning in for the night with phone beside the bed.

2 hrs later and 001 is calling me from Norway. A police officer had been on the phone to him asking for assistance. I got out of bed, went down stairs and made notes. With that the call out phone was ringing!! Lincolnshire Police Control. Could we assist on the A153 Horncastle? I deployed 2 of our members. Meanwhile this situation was cleared and our members were diverted to another incident on the Caistor High Street. Our members both got stuck in 4foot snow drifts. However, because of our preparations this was not an immediate problem and all persons were safely contained. By around 06:00 Sunday morning a very large tractor and snow plough ploughed a way through the snow and both our responders and the vehicle and occupants were towed to safety at Caistor Top on the A46. Myself and

another responder from Louth escorted the vehicle to Laceby roundabout and off they went back to Scunthorpe. Sunday evening I handed Control over and by Monday morning we issued a Stand Down.

Thanks

DJ Salkeld

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

Report to:	Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee
Date:	28 November 2017
Subject:	Achieving added value for Tourism and Business from Coastal Management

Summary:

To review progress on developing a long term plan for promoting tourism and environmental protection in the context of investing in coastal management

Actions Required:

Members of the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee are invited to:

- 1) Consider and comment on proposals for developing further the opportunities available through the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park and;
- 2) Endorse the range of activities and priorities for action as identified in the report.

1. Background

The area covered by the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park offers a distinct range of opportunities for establishing a strong, recognised area identity, promoting visitor access, improving amenities and facilities, and developing more effective use of natural and built assets. This paper seeks to consolidate the benefits of existing initiatives in the area and actively to take advantage of further opportunities to generate future sustainable income streams and investment.

Strategic context

Shoreline Management Plans

Long term policy for physically managing Lincolnshire's coastline is set out in the Shoreline Management Plans (Flamborough Head to Gibraltar Point and The Wash). The overall intention of management for the east coast up to 2125 is to maintain the coastline in its current position, with the same standard of protection from coastal flooding, and to protect businesses, economic activity and communities in the area.

These plans, completed in 2012, are part of LCC's policy framework and accommodate the evidence of the 2010 Lincolnshire Coastal Study. As such they are primarily intended to provide protection to the communities, businesses and infrastructure assets already in place at that time. A light touch review programme of Shoreline Management Plan is shortly to commence, managed through Coastal Groups and the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee.

The Lincolnshire Coastal Study and Local Plans

The Coastal Study was intended to be the preparatory stage for a coastal strategy within the Regional Spatial Strategy, and, as such, would have taken into account the broader requirements of future growth and development alongside existing socio-economic conditions. Revocation of regional planning meant that the coastal study was completed as an evidence base for existing conditions. Local Plans have incorporated this evidence base to a varied extent, but they were not able to draw on robust data regarding future growth.

The LEP and the Strategic Economic Plan

The establishment of Local Enterprise Partnerships placed a greater policy emphasis on promoting economic growth. The creation of Strategic Economic Plans provided clearer and better evidenced priority objectives for growth, and a stronger emphasis on unlocking growth and investment potential. For Greater Lincolnshire this means a clear focus on manufacturing, agri-food and the visitor economy, and the coastal parts of the county are central to both the visitor economy and the agri-food industry.

The LEP Water Management Plan

The GLLEP recognises the significance of co-ordinated flood risk and water resource management as a driver for economic growth, and consequently has a keen interest in future coastal management. Its Water Management Plan establishes a programme of work to implement an approach to water management that specifically facilitates growth, including exploring new funding channels where growth potential can be demonstrated and where additional works can be achieved beyond what is currently possible under existing rules for government flood risk funding.

Coastal Vision

The need for a co-ordinated approach is particularly clear in coastal parts of Lincolnshire, not least because of the high potential for such an approach to generate enhanced and future outcomes. The Greater Lincolnshire LEP has accordingly outlined its overall ambitions for the Lincolnshire coast in a Coastal Vision document, agreed in 2016. This outlines three objectives and a vision as follows:

- To sustain and grow coastal businesses and the economy
- To sustain and develop coastal prosperity through infrastructure
- To protect and sustain the coastal environment

By 2035 coastal communities and businesses will be seen as good opportunities for investment because of secure water supply and coastal management, planning policy that supports growth and the environment, and a thriving visitor economy that benefits local communities and visitors alike.

As applied to the east coast, these objectives clearly require development, diversification and enhancement of the visitor economy and the assets / environment that sustain and encourage it.

The Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park and Grazing Marshes

Since 2009 LCC and its partners have been working to create a dynamic and extensive Coastal Country Park, along the Lincolnshire Coast, between Sandilands and Chapel St Leonards, providing high quality facilities for people and better protection for wildlife, whilst contributing to the local economy.

Vision: A sustainable coastal environment providing high quality facilities for communities and visitors, improvements for wildlife and contributing to a healthy local economy.

Aims:

- Create a sustainable, diverse, landscape-scale network of wildlife habitats
- Support and encourage a healthy economy based on a year-round sustainable tourism destination
- Increase awareness and understanding of the natural and cultural heritage of the area
- Provide recreational opportunities for local residents and visitors within the natural environment

Working at a landscape- scale the LCCP partnership have successfully created a network of wildlife habitats, within the core area, whilst improving and creating public access and recreational opportunities and working with local businesses.

Some of the achievements include:

- Wildlife: 5 new nature reserves (approx 200 acres); improved management of important habitats; increase in wildlife; Local Wildlife Site designations:
- Visitor information and facilities: branding; visitor surveys; interpretation plan; website; leaflets; 4 car park upgraded; visitor gateway sites and panels; art installations; North Sea Observatory.
- Access and recreation: Sustainable Transport Strategy; rationalisation of PROW network; new PROW and permissive paths; installation of bridges; guided walk leaflets; visitor surveys

The initial work of the LCCP partnership has created a landscape scale network of wildlife habitats within the core area, whilst creating public access and recreational

opportunities. This provides a framework for a broader co-ordinated visitor approach to be developed, unspoilt rural natural and cultural environment.

Since 2007 LCC and its partners have been working to create a dynamic and extensive Coastal Country Park, along the Lincolnshire Coast, between Sandilands and Chapel St Leonards, providing high quality facilities for people and better protection for wildlife. This provides a discrete, landscape scale core on which a broader co-ordinated approach can be developed, and was established around an existing, comparatively rare, concentration of nature conservation sites within an unspoilt rural environment.

Strengthening the 'sense of place' in this locality is central to the purpose of the coastal country park, which seeks to enhance the quality of the natural environment in a defined area in order to diversify the visitor 'offer' of the coast more widely, to improve the visitor experience and to encourage more and repeat visits and longer stays. In creating better access within the park area it effectively improves linkage and access across a chain of assets along the coast, from Gibraltar in the south to Donna Nook in the north, a function which will be greatly enhanced by the provision of the coastal observatory at Chapel St Leonards just at the southern edge of the coastal country park.

In the strategic context summarised above the coastal country park offers a number of opportunities as a focus for a co-ordinated drive to improve assets, amenities and access along the coast. These include

- Existing brand recognition, which could be strengthened and broadened as the basis for a heritage coast designation and stronger regional and national marketing
- A defined area with local acceptance as a focal point for developing new approaches
- A significant historic landscape element – through the coast grazing marshes – to link environmental and 'heritage' interest
- Continue improvement of access routes within the existing park area
- A number of local businesses catering to a wider visitor experience than the traditional resorts to north and south of the area
- Opportunities to develop a co-ordinated approach to handling visitor numbers through managing traffic and parking, including potential for income generation in support of maintenance and continued development
- Existing research data on current visitor profile along with potential for targeted improvements to diversify the visitor profile in the future

The Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point Review

The Environment Agency is currently leading a review and public consultation process to develop and implement the management regime to be applied to the coast from 2021, when the current phase of the existing scheme expires. This is being undertaken as implementation of the policies set out in the Shoreline Management Plan, and represents a significant opportunity to develop a management regime which not only protects what currently exists, but looks to the future and anticipates the needs of growth and development in the coastal zone.

A critical element will be the identification of long term local funding if more is to be achieved than the basic needs of flood protection. In this regard, the LEP's Coastal Vision was a first step in providing a sense of a common aspiration for the kind of coast that Lincolnshire wants and needs to have in the future. Building an integrated approach based on the coastal country park could support this as a practical step in realising this vision, and in providing a steer for the way in which coastal defence should be undertaken and funded.

Strategic opportunities

The range of initiatives outlined above share a common goal of securing long term social, economic and environmental improvements for residents, businesses and visitors in and to the east coast area. The principal drivers behind them, which also deliver the key objectives within the Strategic Economic Plan, are

- Growing and diversifying the visitor economy
- Developing resilience to climate change and coastal inundation
- Promoting access within and to the area
- Improving natural and built assets and amenity

The coast from Gibraltar Point northwards presents the most concentrated opportunities for development of the visitor economy, and in 2016, for the first time, the coastal economy contributed £500m to Greater Lincolnshire's overall economic performance. LCC has undertaken analyses of the visitors who are currently the customers of these businesses, in order to better understand how to target appropriate initiatives and develop the appeal of the coastal 'offer'.

The main visitors to Lincolnshire are 45+, often taking short breaks. Eating, drinking, and visiting local markets are most popular with this group as is taking coastal walks. Using visitor economy definitions our visitors are primarily 'traditionals' and 'functionals'.

- **Traditionals** value personal service, preferring destinations that are renowned for their scenery and are not too crowded with other tourists. 73% are above the age of 45. They tend to take life at a leisurely pace which is reflected in the types of attractions that appeal (gardens, galleries, etc). They have average levels of internet access and average income levels but they will pay for good service.
- **Functionals** are cost conscious, seeking the cheapest option as they do not want to pay for unnecessary extras. They are independent and will tend to arrange all the aspects of their holiday themselves. They are marginally biased towards the older age groups with 63% above the age of 45. They have average levels of income and average levels of internet access.

Lincolnshire's rural coast is recognised as being one of its strengths, being rated as better than Norfolk and Yorkshire's rural coast by our visitors. However, Northumberland is rated substantially higher by the same visitors.

55% of our sample said that they prioritise "coastal village life", characterised by relaxing on a slower-paced traditional break in a smaller seaside town or village; hiring a beach hut; walking, cycling or tennis; sampling fresh local produce at cosy pubs; exploring local markets and festivals. Shopping is seen as an important part of "coastal village life", with independent retail and antiques (!) seen as preferred types of shopping.

34% prioritise "unspoilt coastline and wildlife", which means that they tend to leave the beaten track, seeking a tranquil and unspoilt coastline which is a haven for birds, seals and other wildlife. They enjoy the fresh air and freedom of the sand dunes and marshes and enjoy getting close to nature.

There are likely to be a number of new visitor markets that could be attracted to the LCCP which would bring greater economic impact by; attracting investment into greater and more appealing product within the existing themes, enabling the development of new high value added themes and better marketing and promotion of the offer within a broader geographic area.

An obvious potential new theme that could be developed and exploited within the area is that of outdoor sports and activities. This is likely to fit very well with the original objectives of the Coastal County Park which includes creating better access to and promoting healthy pursuits for tourists and residents. There may also be opportunities to further develop the close association between outdoor activity, environmental enhancement and health.

2. Conclusion: Priorities for Action

On the basis summarised above, officers are pursuing the following programme to develop and grow the opportunities present in the Coastal Country Park area.

- 1) Establish alignment between existing data on visitors to the Lincolnshire coast and the experience of visitors to the LCCP
 - identify areas of unmet need and action plan for meeting it – could also include review of existing legislation such as Sandhills Act to help define what is possible in development terms
 - Establish robust baseline of current value of tourism in LCCP area, including actual and potential visitor spend
- 2) Clearly define the geographical extent of the LCCP on the ground, & identify an appropriate designation that creates sufficient status to be recognized in local planning policy – enhance the 'sense of place'.
 - Currently producing a report (November) to outline designation options for the LCCP)
 - Potential for reconsidering the location of the boundary and identifying different zones within the LCCP that could then focus involvement and investment and priorities.

- 3) Strengthen the marketing, branding and signing of the CCP utilising the existing brand – develop this within the concept of a broader 'heritage coast', supporting planning policy recognition of the area and exploiting best available evidence on current and potential future provision.
 - Officers are currently outlining options and costings for physically marking the geographical extent of the LCCP on the ground. A similar piece of work was recently completed for the Wolds AONB
- 4) Identify and progress potential for provision of a visitor amenity site at Anderby, including consideration of additional parking. Officers are exploring potential properties or lands that might be available and suitable for a significant new visitor attraction and amenity.
- 5) Develop a parking strategy and implementation plan for the coastal country park area that contributes to improved access within and around the area, including improved parking facilities at key locations. Prioritise practical solutions to known preferred parking areas such as Anderby Creek and Huttoft and evaluate introduction of an appropriate charging regime at the earliest opportunity.

Members are asked to consider the range of activities outlined, and to comment on these proposals.

3. Consultation

a) Have Risks and Impact Analysis been carried out?

N/A

b) Risks and Impact Analysis

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.

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43 ACHIEVING ADDED VALUE FOR TOURISM AND BUSINESS FROM COASTAL MANAGEMENT

The Committee received a report on the review of progress on developing a long term plan for promoting tourism and environmental protection in the context of investing in coastal management.

Officers stated that coastal management and economic development were key elements to developing the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park area and that there was a need to find out who visited and the type of visitors that needed to be attracted to the area.

Comments made by the Committee and the responses of officers, where appropriate, included:-

- The importance of having a brand for the area and the "Wild Atlantic Way" on the west coast of Ireland was given as an example.
- The origin of visitors to the coast could be better understood and the Council needed to work with East Lindsey District Council's Tourist Office in connection with branding. Officers agreed to submit a report to the next meeting of the Committee on visitors to Lincolnshire.
- The Coastal Country Park needed to be publicised alongside the current publicity for Skegness and Lincoln
- The location of the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park needed to be made clearer.
- A bus service was required to take tourists to and around the area. Officers agreed that one of the key elements was access within the Park. The Lincolnshire Wolds and the English Coastal Footpath, when completed, were important attractions for visitors.
- A recent successful event about Lincolnshire's aviation heritage had been held at Stoke Rochford Hall and bus companies had been invited. Officers agreed to discuss bringing more visitors into Lincolnshire with the national bus companies. A bus link to Butlins was suggested and that there were over 40,000 caravans on the east coast.
- Officers stated that car parking would be addressed in the strategy for the area.

- There was a need to make the coastline more appealing to visitors.
- The holiday season on the coast should be extended to the end of November.
- The quality and quantity of hostelryes for visitors to the coast needed to be improved.
- Officers stated that they would require the help of Members to implement the recommendations in the report.
- Frampton Marsh was an important destination for bird watchers.
- Officers agreed to invite the Council's PR contractor to the next meeting if he was available. East Lindsey District Council's Tourism office would be invited to make a presentation to a future meeting.
- Visitors were now more transient and therefore Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park should be seen as part of the tourist trail on the east coast of England.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the comments made by the Committee, and the responses of officers, be noted.
- (b) That the range of activities and priorities for action identified in the report be endorsed, subject to priority 3 being amended to read – "Establish a marketing strategy for the area, building on the area's natural and heritage strengths. This strategy should include signage and branding, and it should be used to attract independent visitors and those following coach tour itineraries".
- (c) That officers have discussions with the national bus companies about attracting more visitors to Lincolnshire.
- (d) That the World Travel Market's representative be invited to make a presentation on their role to the next meeting.
- (e) That the East Lincolnshire District Council's Tourist office be invited to make a presentation on their role to a future meeting of the Committee.

COUNTRYSIDE FOR ALL

Report for Local Access Forum meetings 17 and 18 April 2018

1. COUNTRYSIDE FOR ALL ROUTES

1.1. Lincolnshire

The drafts for the 5 new route leaflets are now with the printer's for designing and printing.

The survey for the Woodhall Spa Airfield route has now slipped to May this year.

We still have the issue of raising £1020 to restock 12 route leaflets. We also have an issue with storage of the leaflets. The printer we use has agreed to storage for an extra £100. The £1120 is required to enable us to have 1000 copies of each of the 12 route leaflets. We are in the process of checking the 12 routes to take account of any changes for the new print run. The application for the Big Lottery Awards For All grant has been withdrawn, the reason for this is given under funding applications. This application included for reprinting of 12 route leaflets.

The Ashing Lane Nature Reserve route will be checked when the weather changes. This is due to trying to navigate between the deep pot holes when they are under water, making it difficult to drive down the road without causing damage to the car. This route leaflet was printed in 2016 and we will not have enough stock to support this year's orders. This shows the high demand of the leaflets in 2016 and 2017.

The routes we have checked so far include Frampton Marsh and Mareham Pastures. An email has been sent to the RSPB with our findings for Frampton Marsh.

Mareham Pastures has deteriorated in places due to weed encroachment on paths reducing the width in places to less than 1 metre. There is also an issue with puddles on paths due to lack of a camber and drainage.

The 2018 Countryside For All leaflet order form summary is attached to this report. We will continue to apply for grant funding for the reprints of leaflets. However we may have found a business that is interested in sponsoring the route leaflets. We still have some work to do in making this an attractive proposition and would be pleased with any guidance both County Councils have to offer.

We have received the following update from Kate Percival, Lincolnshire County Council in relation to the potential Countryside For All routes at the Coastal Country Park:

Countryside For All Audit - being undertaken on all coastal access sites

Huttoft Marsh Countryside For All footpath surfacing – in progress

Chapel St Leonards to North Sea Observatory walkway - planning permission has been agreed

Welcome signs - have been erected on the highways entering the LCC

Sand clearance – underway

England Coast Path – route agreed; launch to be agreed

North Sea Observatory – due to be completed May 2018

ACTION: Chris Miller – Please investigate whether improvements to the path at Mareham Pastures can take place to increase the path width back to a minimum of 1 metre and reduce puddling.

ACTION: Chris Miller/Stuart Crook – Please identify a County Council department/officer to provide guidance on attracting sponsorship for Countryside For All surveying, leaflets and folders.

1.2. Rutland

We may have identified another funding source for The Lodge Trust and hope to be discussing this with them in June.

2. NINEVEH CHARITABLE TRUST'S VISIT

Further thought has been given to the invitation to the Nineveh Charitable Trust's visit. We have not applied to the Nineveh Charitable Trust for funding the Spalding Choice Unlimited event as we have been successful in gaining funding for this from the Community Collaboration Fund. If we do have a Choice Unlimited event in Spalding in 2019 we will then invite the Trust to have a display at the Spalding event.

As stated in the previous report we will also invite the Trust to Oakham. This is to enable them to see how their funding has and is making a difference to people with disabilities. This will be supplemented by a visit to the Lodge Trust to discuss a joint project at the site which we hope the Nineveh Charitable Trust will fund.

3. DEMENTIA FRIENDLY WALKS – RUTLAND

A meeting was held to see how we can attract volunteers for the training and leading of dementia friendly walks in Oakham and Uppingham.

4. FUNDING BIDS

We have withdrawn the application to the Big Lottery Fund – Awards For All, for the 2018 Spalding and 2018 Rutland Choice Unlimited event due to the success of Community Collaboration Fund for the 2018 Spalding event. We have asked if we can re submit the application for funding the Spalding event in 2019 and 2020. If the answer is yes, we will with Stuart's agreement, submit a bid for the 2018 and 2019 Rutland's Choice Unlimited event. If we feel there is agreement from the working group we will submit a bid for the 2019 and 2020 Spalding event.

The application to the Tesco Bags of Help fund has been put on hold until the other funding applications are completed.

5. CHOICE UNLIMITED EVENTS

5.1. Rutland

We have asked Simon Mutsaers, Citizens Advice Rutland to join the working group and he has accepted.

As we asked businesses to sponsor the Rutland event and had a zero response, we will at some point be asking those businesses for a response.

We still want to find out if there is a more suitable venue than the Rugby Club for 2019

ACTION: All – Please assist with sourcing a suitable venue for the Rutland 2019 Choice Unlimited event.

5.2. Lincolnshire

It is a slow process getting organisations to pay to have a display at the event. We also need help at our Local Access Forum display. Even if you can only provide 1 hour of help on the day, it will be a greatly appreciated. It will also give you the opportunity of seeing the tulips at the Festival Gardens, enjoying a look round the garden centre, a trip on the water taxi or spending money in the retail outlet. A verbal update will be provided at the meeting on the progress of preparation of the event.

ACTION: John Law – Provide a verbal update on the progress of the event.

ACTION: All – Inform John Law if you are available to help at the Local Access Forum display at the event.

6. CHANGING PLACES TOILETS

6.1. North Sea Observatory

As yet no further information has been received from Chapel St Leonards Parish Council, to see if they can investigate the possibility of the building currently housing the cafe, to include a changing places toilet when the cafe ceases to trade.

6.2. Response from Anglian Water

At some stage we will follow this up.

7. VISIT ENGLAND – PROMOTING ACCESSIBLE BUSINESSES, INCREASING TOURISM AND VISITOR SPENDING

7.1. Rutland

A meeting was held at Oakham promoting the Accessibility Guide.

7.2. Lincolnshire

A meeting has to be arranged with LCC to see how to take this forward..

7.3. North East Lincolnshire

A meeting has to be arranged with North East Lincolnshire to see how to take this forward.

COUNTRYSIDE FOR ALL ROUTE LEAFLET ORDER FORM													2018 SUMMARY																
													TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRES																
Folders/leaflets available	BOSTON	GAINSBOROUGH	GRANTHAM	HORNCASTLE	LINCOLN	LOUTH AND MABLETHORPE	SKEGNESS	SLEAFORD	SPALDING	STAMFORD	WOODHALL SPA	LIBRARIES	TOTAL	Leicester Choice Previous Year	Rutland Choice Previous Year	Spalding Choice Estimated	Leaflet exchange etc.	Leaflets at 22 leaflets per folder											
Lincolnshire Folder (Includes all Lincolnshire route leaflets available) Thickness of folder 15mm	5	5			10	20					1	10	51	80	60	160	100	9922											
Lincolnshire Leaflets:																													
WOODHALL SPA AIRFIELD	10	5			20	50					25	50	250	460															
Ashing Lane Nature Reserve		5			20	50		20					250	345															
Bourne Woods		5			20	50		20	50		25	10	250	430															
Chapel Six Marshes		5			30	50	20	50					250	425															
Chambers Farm Wood	10	5			20	50	50		20		10	50	250	465															
Deeping Lakes		5			20	50		20	50		25	10	250	430															
Frampton Marsh	50	5			30	50		20	50				250	455															
Freiston Shore	50	5			30	50		20	50				250	455															
Gibraltar Point	25	5	20		30	50	30	50		50		10	250	540															
Grantham Canal		5	30		20	50			20		25		250	400															
Harstholme Country Park		5			20	100	20		20			10	250	425															
Hubbards Hills		5			30	50	50	50	20			40	250	495															
Mareham Pastures		5			30	50			40			20	250	395															
South Thorseby Warren		5			30	50			20				250	355															
Spa Trail	25	5			50	50	20	50	20			100	250	570															
Water Rail Way	25	5			30	100			20		10	100	250	540															
Waterways Walk		5			30	50			20		10	20	250	385															
Westgate Woods	50	5			20	50			20				250	395															
Whisby Nature Park (3 route leaflets)		5	20		30	100	20		20		25	40	250	1530															
Willingham Woods		5			30	50	30		20			30	250	415															
												Total Linc's leaflets excluding those in folders	9910				Total Linc's leaflets including those in folders	19832											
Rutland Folder (Includes all 3 Rutland routes). Thickness of folder 5mm		5			10	20				10			45	120	120	80													
Rutland leaflets:																													
Exton		5						20		25			50																
Rutland Water		5	20					20		25			70																
Rutland Water Nature Reserve		5						20		25			50																
							Open weekend 12 till 4				Opens 1st April		170				Total Rutland leaflets including those in folders	1265											

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North East Lincolnshire ROWIP Objectives

Project Details	Comments
ROWIP 2	Survey now closed and there were approximately 284 responses. These responses will be analysed in due course.

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Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills - Executive Director for Environment & Economy
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Report to:	Mid Lincolnshire Local Access Forum
Date:	17 April 2018
Subject:	Definitive Map Modification Orders - Ongoing

Summary:

A report on the progress of Definitive Map Modification Orders currently being progressed

Recommendation(s):

That the report is noted & formal written advice provided as required.
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1. Background

As Surveying Authority the County Council has a statutory duty to keep under continuous review the Definitive Rights of Way Map and Statement for Lincolnshire and to make orders to take account of events requiring the map to be modified. This is carried out by the processing of Definitive Map Modification Orders (DMMOs) which are either applied for by the public or initiated by the Authority on the discovery of evidence.

Highways & Traffic Guidance Note HAT33/3/11 sets out that such cases will be dealt with in order of receipt/initiation unless one or more of the eight "exception criteria" apply.

The criteria are as follows:

1. Where there is sustained aggression, hostility and ill feeling within a community that is causing severe disruption to the life of that community, and that in processing the case early there is a strong likelihood this will reduce.
2. Where there is a significant threat to the route, likely to cause a permanent obstruction (e.g. a building, but not, for example, a locked gate or residential fencing).
3. Where there is, or has been, a finding of maladministration by the Local Government Ombudsman on a particular case and that in

- processing the case the County Council will discharge its duty to the Ombudsman's decision.
4. Where legal proceedings against the County Council are instigated or are likely to be instigated and it is possible that the Authority has a liability.
 5. Where there is a risk to children on County Council owned property and land or where the claimed route would provide for a safer alternative route to a school, play area or other amenity for children.
 6. Where there is a significant financial saving to the County Council (and therefore taxpayers) through the processing of an Order.
 7. Where a new application is received that relies on evidence of a case already received or, if the new application forms part of or is adjoining to an existing claim, the new claim will be dealt with at the same time as the older application.
 8. Where the route will significantly assist in achieving a Countryside and Rights of Way Improvement Plan Objective or Statement of Action.

The above numbered exception criteria do not cover every eventuality and it is recognised that in exceptional circumstances there may be other reasons why it would benefit the public for a case to be considered out of normal order. Officers will not prioritise any case under such circumstances and any appeal will only be considered by the Definitive Map & Statement of Public Rights of Way Sub-Committee.

Initially the priority of a case is set by Officers however there is a right of appeal for any affected persons whereby a decision is made by the Definitive Map & Statement of Public Rights of Way Sub-Committee on a case's priority in response to such an appeal.

Appendix A provides an outline of the position of cases currently deemed to be "active" within the prioritisation policy.

2. Consultation

- a) Scrutiny Comments**
- b) Executive Councillor Comments**
- c) Local Member Comments**
- d) Policy Proofing Actions Required**

n/a

3. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Outline summaries of "active" modification order cases as at 5 th April 2018
Appendix B	Appeals against prioritisation – Quarter 4 2017-2018
Appendix C	<u>Definitive Map Case Prioritisation</u> (LINK) – Paper copies available on request

4. Background papers

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

Highways & Traffic Guidance Note 33 – Prioritisation of Definitive Map Modification Orders - <u>HAT 33/3/11</u>
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APPENDIX A – Outline Summaries of "active" modification order cases

PARISH	CASE No.		CASE TITLE	FORMAL APP?	Date	UPDATE
Middle Rasen	72	PF	Caistor Rd to Gatehouse Lane	Yes	05/08/87	DMMO seeking to record PF 1147 made 12/06/17 – objection period ended 10/08/17 – objections received. Submission to Planning Inspectorate (PINS) in progress.
Ancaster	2	RB	Regrade from RB to BOAT	Yes	13/11/1991	Reviewing evidence.
Coningsby	182	PF	School Lane to Dogdyke Road	Yes	06/11/1997	Submitted to PINS 27.04.2017 – Public Inquiry rescheduled: new dates 25 and 26.07.18 at Coronation Hall, Spa Rd, Woodhall Spa LN10 6PZ. Path number PF 1124.
Heapham & Upton	350	PB	Alleged PB between Common Lane & Cow Lane	Yes	02/12/2011	Reviewing evidence.
Tetford	365	PF	Addition of "missing link" North Road to PF 33	No	30/09/2013	Recommendation with Senior Officer for a decision.
Ludborough	378	PF	Alleged PF along track running to and from PF 107	Yes	06/10/2014	Reviewing evidence.
Navenby	384	PB	Alleged PB Grantham Road-Doncaster Gardens	Yes	16/04/2015	DMMO made seeking to record PF 1146 along the Application route on 23.06.2017: objection period 06.07.2017-18.08.2017. Objections received and not withdrawn. To be submitted to PINS.
Heydour	48	PF	PF to be diverted	No	01/01/1985	Reviewing evidence.
Aunsby & Dembleby	5		Aunsby RB 6 plus section to Manor House Farm, Aunsby PB 9, Heydour RB 18	No	11/07/1985	Reviewing evidence.
Mablethorpe & Sutton	106	PF	High Street to Broadway	Yes	16/09/1985	Submitted to PINS 06/11/17. Awaiting details of method of determination.
Burgh-le-Marsh	18	PF	Faulkers Lane	Yes	10/02/1987	Draft Statement of Grounds complete.
Stamford	101	PF	Cherry Holt Lane to Priory Road	Yes	03/04/1987	Submitted to PINS 12/02/2018.

BOAT: Byway Open to All Traffic

RB: Restricted Byway

PB: Public Bridleway

PF: Public Footpath

- **Total Number of cases (formal application or self-initiated): 150 outstanding inclusive of 3 Orders awaiting determination by the Secretary of State at 5th April 2018)**

APPENDIX B – Appeals against prioritisation – Q4 2017-2018

No DMMO prioritisation appeals were submitted or heard over the period since the last forum meeting.

APPENDIX C – Definitive Map Case Prioritisation

ACTIVE CASEWORK

Parish	Parish	Parish	Further details	Application/Acceptance	Active	Priority Ranking
Middle Rasen	72	PF	Caistor Rd to Gatehouse Lane	05/08/1987	Yes	1
Ancaster	2	RB	to BOAT	13/11/1991	Yes	2
Coningsby	182	PF	School Lane to Dogdyke Road	06/11/1997	Yes	3
Heapham & Upton	350	PB	Claimed Bridleway from Common Lane to Cow Lane	02/12/2011	Yes	4
Tetford	365	PF	Addition of missing link to PF 33	30/09/2013	Yes	5
Ludborough	378	PF	Claimed footpath along track running to and from PF107	06/10/2014	Yes	6
Navenby	384	PB	Claimed bridleway from Grantham Road to Doncaster Gardens	16/04/2015	Yes	7
Heydour	48	PF	PF to be diverted - from Southern end of PF 3 to church Lees	01/01/1985	Yes	8
Aunsby & Dembleby	5	PROW	see file	11/07/1985	Yes	9
Mablethorpe and Sutton	106	PF	High St to Broadway	16/09/1985	Yes	10
Burgh-le-Marsh	18	PF	Faulkers Lane	10/02/1987	Yes	11
Stamford	101	PF	Cherry Holt Lane to Priory Rd	03/04/1987	Yes	12

North East Lincolnshire DMMO's (Definitive Map Modification Orders)

Ref Number	Parish	Location	Effect of Application	Date of Application	Progress Notes
DMMO 7	Grimsby	Vicarage Gardens/Compton Drive to Bargate	Claimed Footpath	18/03/08	Pre-Order making consultation letters to go out after Purdah.
DMMO 8	Grimsby	Macaulay Lane to Newhaven Terrace	Claimed Footpath	17/04/08	Correspondance with Planning Department, confirming the location of the Public Footpath. The Public Footpath will link the developemtn with the Country Park and part of West Marsh. I wider respects this will be an access from Laceby to Europarc.
DMMO 9	Grimsby	Cormorant Drive to Great Coates Road, Grimsby	Claimed Footpath	21/12/17	Currently looking at PSPO Order.

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County Council

Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills - Executive Director for Environment & Economy

Report to:	Mid Lincolnshire Local Access Forum
Date:	17 April 2018
Subject:	Progress of Public Path Orders

Summary:

A report on the progress of Public Path Orders

Recommendation(s):

That the report is noted and formal written advice given where required

1. Background

The County Council has a power to divert, extinguish or create public rights of way either of its own volition or following an application to do so from the public. The Council may also enter into agreements with landowners regarding the dedication of public rights.

2. Summary of ongoing cases

The County Council is currently working on a number of cases most notably as follows:

- A package of eight diversions to realign routes in the Coastal Country Park area. Five Orders were confirmed 17.01.2018. Three Orders need further work due to outstanding issues.
- A proposal to extinguish and divert parts of Public Footpath 55 in Skidbrooke with Saltfleet Haven and Saltfleetby St Clement parishes, and to divert part of Public Bridleway 1059 in Saltfleetby St Clement.
- Extinguishment and creation orders in Market Deeping and Deeping St James parishes seeking to provide an improved route for a well-used public footpath in a developed area were made, with a consultation period running to 02.06.2017. An objection has been received. A public inquiry will be held at Odd Fellows' Hall, Market Deeping on 21st and 22nd August 2018.

- A proposal to extinguish, dedicate and create various PROW in Claypole and Stubton parishes, which is progressing in partnership with Network Rail.

These public path orders have been undertaken as they fall within one of three of the following strategic areas:

- Applications from members of the public where public benefit in the proposal can be demonstrated in line with the Council's Rights of Way Improvement Plan.
- Cases that form part of wider green infrastructure schemes (Coastal Country Park, Witham Valley Country Park etc.)
- Cases forming part of wider Council strategies (Road / Rail Partnerships, Environmental strategies)

The County Council is developing a provisional Public Path Order Policy, which will eventually determine the order in which proposals are processed. This will need to be ratified before it can be implemented, and is subject to any changes necessary once regulations in respect of the Deregulation Act 2015 are issued.

3. Consultation

a) Has Local Member Been Consulted?

n/a

b) Has Executive Councillor Been Consulted?

n/a

c) Scrutiny Comments

n/a

d) 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.

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North East Lincolnshire Public Path Orders

Ref No.	Location & Path No.	Type of Order	Self Initiated or Application	Progress Notes
PPO 4	Waltham FP72	HA s119	Self initiated	On the southern section the Variation Order approved to make at Planning Committee, Order now sent to Legal Service to make. Northern Section awaiting Council Assets to approve the location of the substation.
PPO 15	Stallingborough FP21	HA s118 & s26	Self initiated	Currently trying to establish contact with one of the landowners where the proposed diversion would run.
PPO16	Humberston FP52	HA s119	Self initiated	Diversion order to be made to relocate and reinstate this path which has been unavailable for some time.
PPO17	South Killingholme FP94	HA s119	Initiated by North Lincs Council	Signage to be installed.
PPO 19	Stallingborough FP 37	HA118A	Initiated by Network Rail	Report to go to Planning Committee with a recommendation.
PPO 20	New Waltham	TCPA 1990	Initiated by developer	Order written with Legal Services for the Order to be made.
PPO 21	Ashby cum Fenby	HA 118	Initiated by landowner	Report considered by Planning Committee to make the diversion, Order has gone to Legal Services to make.

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