



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

Report to:	<b>Mid Lincolnshire Local Access Forum</b>
Date:	<b>23 January 2018</b>
Subject:	<b>Generic Advice to Planning Authorities (Minute 95)</b>

**Summary:** To report on the responses received from Lincolnshire's District Councils following the decision made by the Forum to write to them about concerns expressed by both Local Access Forums that the County Council's Countryside Service was not being informed about planning applications affecting Public Rights of Way.

### **Recommendation(s):**

That the responses of the District Councils be noted and that Members' comments be sought on the responses received.

## **1. Background**

At the meeting of the Forum on 18 July 2017, it was agreed that the Clerk should prepare a letter, to be signed by the Chairmen of both Forums, to each Chief Executive of Lincolnshire District Councils, and that the Portfolio Holders for Planning should be copied into the letter, to express concern about the effect of planning applications on PROWs and that a copy of the advice given by Leicestershire Local Access Forum, should also be enclosed with the letter, with the view to the Forums providing similar advice to the Lincolnshire District Planning Authorities.

Responses have now been received from the District Councils and these are detailed in Appendix A.

A copy of the letter sent to the District Councils and the advice provided by Leicestershire Local Access Forum are attached as Appendices B and C, respectively, for information.

The views of the Forum are sought on the responses received.

## **2. 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. Appendices – A, B and C enclosed**

## **5. Background Papers**

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

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