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Policy and Scrutiny

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

Report to:	**Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee**
Date:	**10 September 2018**
Subject:	**Civil Parking Enforcement Annual Report 2017 to 2018**

Summary:

The adoption of Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) by Lincolnshire County Council requires the Council to submit an annual report on CPE related activities and a financial statement showing the cost of the operation, including any deficit or surplus. This is in accordance with the Statutory Guidance to Local Authorities on the Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions. The Lincolnshire County Council Annual Parking Report 2018 is attached at Appendix A.

Actions Required:

Members of the Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee are invited to consider and comment on the contents of the annual report and support the report being published on the Council's website.

1. Background

The annual parking report covers the period from 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018. It is a transparent document that allows the disclosure of various statistics related to enforcement and appeals. The report contains financial information on the cost of the service. The report also includes details of projects where parking enforcement has helped to contribute to parking schemes or the review of current parking restrictions. The report will be sent to the Department for Transport and PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulation Outside London).

The report contains information on the following subjects:

- Cost of service provision
- Income from penalty charges
- Any surplus or deficit made
- The number of penalty charges issued
- The number of penalty charges paid
- The income raised from penalty charge payments
- The number of appeals
- The number of successful appeals

- The number of penalty charges cancelled, along with reason for cancellation.

2. Conclusion

Parking enforcement continues to contribute to the overall transport strategy by helping to reduce congestion, increase traffic flows and improve pedestrian safety.

The provision of free high street parking helps to contribute to the economic viability of local shops and services. Ensuring that the limited waiting times are adhered to by enforcing the restrictions increases the turnover of vehicles, allowing higher footfall and accessibility to local facilities and amenities.

The 2017/18 financial year saw the first deficit since parking enforcement was introduced to Lincolnshire in 2012. The table below highlights the past three financial years.

Financial Year	Costs	Income	Surplus / Deficit
15/16	£995,000	£1,300,000	£308,000 Surplus
16/17	£968,000	£1,036,000	£67,898 Surplus
17/18	£1,078,000	£1,031,000	£47,321 Deficit

3. Consultation

a) Have Risks and Impact Analysis been carried out?

N/A

b) Risks and Impact Analysis

N/A

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	The Lincolnshire County Council Parking Report 2017 to 2018

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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