


Agenda Item 3

		THE HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR LINCOLNSHIRE	
Boston Borough Council	East Lindsey District Council	City of Lincoln Council	Lincolnshire County Council
North Kesteven District Council	South Holland District Council	South Kesteven District Council	West Lindsey District Council

Report to	Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire
Date:	12 October 2022
Subject:	Supplementary Chairman's Announcements

1. Covid-19 Infection Rates

Data continue to be updated on data.gov.uk, and the latest data for Lincolnshire are available at [Cases in Lincolnshire | Coronavirus in the UK \(data.gov.uk\)](https://data.gov.uk/cases-in-lincolnshire). In the seven days to 6 October 2022, 881 cases had been recorded in Lincolnshire, which represents an increase of 237 compared to the previous seven days or a 37 per cent increase. The 881 cases across Lincolnshire equate to 115 cases per 100,000 of population.

2. Humber Acute Programme – Change to Planned Timetable

The Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) has advised that formal public consultation on the Humber Acute Programme will not begin until after the local government elections in May 2023, which directly affect the other four councils in the Humber region (North Lincolnshire, North East Lincolnshire, the East Riding of Yorkshire and the City of Hull), as well as the district councils in Lincolnshire. The Humber and North Yorkshire ICB, which had planned public consultation from November 2022, has explained that there are several reasons for the delay, which include no announcement on its bid for substantial capital funding under the Government's *New Hospitals Programme*; and the need to focus on any changed priorities for the NHS, as a result of the appointment of a new Secretary of State for Health and Social Care in September 2022.

As reported in section 5 of my announcements circulated with the agenda, the Humber and Lincolnshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been established specifically for the purpose of responding to this consultation. As a result of the change in the timetable, it is planned that an initial meeting is held in 2023 (prior to the pre-election period), to enable the consultation plans to be presented to the Joint Committee, with further meetings being arranged once the public consultation has been launched.

