



Open Report on behalf of Andrew Crookham, Executive Director - Resources

Report to:	Overview and Scrutiny Management Board
Date:	28 September 2023
Subject:	Scrutiny Committee Work Programmes: - <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee• Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee• Flood and Water Management Scrutiny Committee

Summary:

A key role for this Board is monitoring the future work programmes of the other scrutiny committees. The Board is asked to satisfy itself that it is content with each committee's work programme, rather than to discuss the detail of particular items listed in the work programme, as these discussions are appropriately held at the relevant meeting of the committee.

This report focuses on the activities of the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee and the Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee on since 27 April 2023, when reports on these two committees were last considered by the Board; and on the Flood and Water Management Committee since 26 January 2023 when a report on this committee was last considered by the Board.

Actions Required:

- (1) The Board is requested to determine whether it is satisfied with the activity undertaken by (a) and (b) since 27 April 2023, and by (c) since 26 January 2023:
 - (a) the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee;
 - (b) the Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee; and
 - (c) the Flood and Water Management Committee.

- (2) The Board is requested to determine whether it is satisfied with the planned work programme of:
 - (a) the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee;
 - (b) the Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee; and
 - (c) the Flood and Water Management Scrutiny Committee.

1. Background

The Council's constitution includes in this Board's terms of reference the following two clauses: -

- To agree and monitor the ongoing overview and scrutiny work programme, in particular holding the chairmen and/or vice chairmen to account for their committee's work programme on a quarterly basis.
- To monitor and guide the activities of the other overview and scrutiny committees.

Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee

Since 27 April 2023, when a report was last submitted, the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee has met on 30 May 2023, 11 July, and 12 September 2023. The activities and the planned work programme of this Committee is set out in Appendix A.

Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee

Since 27 April 2023, when a report was last submitted, the Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee has met on 22 May, 17 July, and 11 September 2023. The activities and the planned work programme of this Committee is set out in Appendix B.

Flood and Water Management Scrutiny Committee

Since 26 January 2023, when a report was last submitted, the Flood and Water Management Scrutiny Committee has met on 20 February, 15 May and 18 September 2023. The activities and the planned work programme of this Committee is set out in Appendix C.

Committee Reporting Timetable

The table below sets out the planned reporting timetable until June 2024: -

Scrutiny Committee	Monitoring Date	Monitoring Date	Monitoring Date
Adults and Community Wellbeing	26 Oct 23	25 Jan 24	25 Apr 24
Health			
Children and Young People	30 Nov 23	29 Feb 24	30 May 24
Public Protection and Communities			
Environment and Economy	21 Dec 23	28 Mar 24	27 June 24
Highways and Transport			
Flood and Water Management			

2. Conclusion

The Board is asked to consider whether it is satisfied with the previous activity and the planned work programmes of the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee, and the Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee.

3. Appendices – These are listed below: -

Appendix A	Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee – Activity and Planned Work
Appendix B	Highways and Transport Scrutiny Committee – Activity and Planned Work
Appendix C	Flood and Water Management Scrutiny Committee – Activity and Planned Work

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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ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

ACTIVITY REPORT

Since 27 April 2023, when a report was last submitted, the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee has met on 30 May 2023, 11 July, and 12 September 2023. Full details on all the items considered at these meetings are available on the County Council's website:

<https://lincolnshire.moderngov.co.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=548>

Set out below is a summary of the outcomes since the last update in April 2023:

30 May 2023	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Summary of Outcomes</i>
Scrutiny Panel B: Agriculture Sector Support Review – Report Overview/ Outcomes and Recommendations	The Committee approved the scrutiny review report, including its recommendations, which were presented to the Executive on 5 September 2023, by Councillor Gary Taylor, the Chairman of Scrutiny Panel A. The Executive's discussion stressed the role of agriculture in the county, compared to competing demands on land use such as energy production and rewilding. The Executive asked Executive Councillor for Economic Development, Environment and Planning to respond to the report.
Business Centres and Economic Development Portfolio Performance	The Committee recorded its satisfaction with the performance of the portfolio of business centres and industrial units, including occupancy levels and tenant feedback on the suitability of the premises to support the needs of small businesses. The Committee's comments were recorded and passed to the Executive Councillor for Economic Development, Environment and Planning.
11 July 2023	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Summary of Outcomes</i>
Adult Learning Provision 2022-23 and Plans for the 2023-24 Academic Year	The Committee recorded its satisfaction with the activity in 2022/23, with a 99% satisfaction rate from learners and 6,245 learners had been engaged. As to the plans for 2023/24 the Committee explored the number of learning places offered in North Kesteven and South Holland, where residents tended to travel to Lincoln and Boston

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	respectively and was assured that account was taken of the learning needs of in North Kesteven and South Holland.
Business Lincolnshire Growth Hub Annual Performance and Future Business Landscape	Six of the ten local authorities in the Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) had opted into a new model of business support. Boston Borough, East Lindsey and South Holland had decided to deliver a local advisory service. The Committee stressed the importance of information sharing between the local authorities; and was assured the Growth Hub would continue to support all local authorities to ensure support for Lincolnshire businesses. The Committee recorded its satisfaction with the Growth Hub's performance.
Broadband Programme – Interim Update	The update to the Committee included reference to the delivery of ultrafast broadband to 4,900 rural premises between December 2023 and 31 March 2024, as part of project gigabit. In addition, project GigaHub would deliver full fibre connectivity to 62 publicly owned rural buildings such as schools, GP surgeries and emergency services facilities. In response to questions, the Committee was assured that the east of the county was a strong focus for the broadband improvements. The Committee noted the information presented and the comments made would be drawn to the attention of the relevant executive councillors.
Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Performance Framework 2022 - 2023 – Quarter 4: Economy, Flooding and Waste	<p>A selection of the key points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2,527 businesses had been supported which exceeded the target of 1,353. Some businesses, for example, in Boston, received support from outside the county, and the Committee requested more information on this. • 1,523 adult-learning qualifications had been achieved, which exceeded the target of 1,400. • 19 properties had been protected from flooding, below the target of 60, but these were high-risk, and there were plans to offer protection to over 60 properties in Long Bennington and Cherry Willingham. • Recycling in all waste streams had been approximately 40%, an increase of 3% compared to the previous quarter.

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	The Committee concluded that it was satisfied by the assurances given on the measures that did not meet their targets; and the Committee's comments would be shared with the relevant executive councillors for their consideration.

12 September 2023	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Summary of Outcomes</i>
Food Waste Disposal Contract Procurement	On 12 September 2023, the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee considered a report on Food Waste Disposal Contract Procurement, and unanimously supported the Recommendations to the Executive Councillor for Waste and Trading Standards. Members who had experienced food waste collection in their divisions expressed positive views and welcomed the continuation of the service and wider roll out.
Procuring Contracts for the Haulage of Household Waste Recycling Centres Exit Waste Streams	On 12 September 2023, the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee considered a report on Approval to Procure Contracts for Haulage of Household Waste Recycling Centres Exit Waste Streams, and unanimously supported the Recommendations to the Executive Councillor for Waste and Trading Standards. Members were pleased that issues around the failure to collect waste streams were acknowledged and tackled through this report and were supportive of its recommendations.
Scrutiny Panel A: Town Centres Improvements Review	On 12 September 2023, the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee considered a report on Town Centre Improvements - Scrutiny Review, and unanimously supported the Recommendations to the Executive. Members thanked Scrutiny Panel A for a comprehensive and tremendously thorough review and extended their support of the Recommendations made throughout.
Energy Option Analysis for Greater Lincolnshire Final Report, Outcomes, and Next Steps	Members received the final report commissioned which comprised of the research and engagement which RLB had undertaken during the commission period. The two main outputs: a final report and an electricity demand mapping dashboard system. The identified key lines of enquiry were approved by members and the next steps and

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	recommendations were supported. These emphasised on collaboration, energy transformation and innovation.
Sutton Bridge place-making Scheme	<p>Members were presented with the Sutton Bridge Place Making Scheme plans and received information on infrastructure developments (i.e., public realm improvements) funding, public engagement with local residents (with a further round of engagement being arranged in early 2024) and on the schedule for the commencement of works.</p> <p>Members welcomed the plans which are anticipated to improve Sutton Bridge placemaking in a micro/local level.</p>
Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Performance Framework 2023 - 2024 – Quarter 1: Economy, Flooding and Waste	<p>The Committee received a regular update on the performance of the Economy, Flooding and Waste services; Members were satisfied with the performance recorded.</p> <p>Members pointed that recycling at HWRCs was at 73% and therefore below target and emphasised on the need to reinforce the message around what items can and which cannot be recycled to save residents time and costs traveling to HWRC with items that cannot be disposed appropriately. Members also called for greater level of detail in reports around recycling rates (e.g., categories such as paper, plastic, green waste etc.) and more detail in terms of rates by district.</p>

PLANNED WORK

Set out below are the items planned for future meetings of the Committee:

24 OCTOBER 2023			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Lincolnshire County Council Carbon Report 2022-2023	Chris Miller, Head of Environment Dan Clayton, Sustainability Manager	This paper provides information on the Carbon Management Plan (CMP) which sets out our strategy and action plan for continuing to reduce carbon emissions over the next 5 years.
2	Proposals for Scrutiny Reviews	Kiara Chatziioannou, Scrutiny Officer	This report provides an update on the current scrutiny reviews and invites the Board to consider submissions for topics for future scrutiny reviews.
Briefing reports			
3	Theddlethorpe Geological Disposal Facility Working Group - 6 Monthly Update –	Justin Brown, Assistant Director, Growth	This is a 6 monthly briefing report on the workings of Theddlethorpe Geological Disposal Facility Working Group.

28 NOVEMBER 2023			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Draft Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Preferred Approach	Adrian Winkley, Minerals and Waste Policy and Compliance Manager	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Executive on 5 December 2023.
2	Waste Transfer Station Improvements	Mike Reed, Head of Waste	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Executive Councillor between the 4 th and 8 th December 2023.

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3	Provision of Careers Advice to All Age Groups in Lincolnshire	Thea Croxall, Adult Learning & Skills Manager Clare Hughes, Employment and Skills Executive Manager	This report informs the committee of the provision of careers advice across the county.
4	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Performance Framework 2023 - 2024 – Quarter 2: <i>Economy, Flooding and Waste</i>	Samantha Harrison, Head of Economic Development Chris Miller, Head of Environment Mike Reed, Head of Waste	This is a quarterly performance report that enables the Committee to comment on 2022-23 Quarter 2 performance for Economy, Flooding and Waste.

16 JANUARY 2024			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Revenue and Capital Budget Proposals	Keith Noyland, Strategic Finance Lead - Place, Fire & Rescue	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Council in February 2024. The report specifically looks at the budget implications for the Council's Environment and Economy Services.
2	Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Pilot – Contract Procurement EXEMPT REPORT	Justin Brown, Assistant Director -Growth Tanya Vaughan, Senior Commissioning Officer Economic Investment	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Executive Councillor between the 22 nd and 29 th January 2024.

27 FEBRUARY 2024			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Performance Framework 2023 - 2024 – Quarter 3: <i>Economy, Flooding and Waste</i>	Samantha Harrison, Head of Economic Development Chris Miller, Head of Environment Mike Reed, Head of Waste	This is a quarterly performance report that enables the Committee to comment on 2022-23 Quarter 3 performance for

27 FEBRUARY 2024			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
			Economy, Flooding and Waste.
2	Visitor Economy Update (incl. Visit Lincolnshire & Tourism Commission Y2 & Local Visitor Economy Partnership)	Mary Powell, Place and Investment Manager	This is the annual update on the visitor economy situation in 2023 in Lincolnshire, prospects for 2023 and the County Council's Response
3	Greater Lincolnshire Internationalisation Strategy and Action Plan 2022-2024 – Update	Angela Driver, Enterprise Growth manager	The report is an update on the progress made in the implementation of the Internationalisation Strategy and respective action plan, working with the Department of International Trade and the Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership.
4	Inward Investment Strategic Plan for Team Lincolnshire	Tony Reynolds, Inward Investment Manager	This paper informs the committee of the Inward Investment Strategic Plan for Team Lincolnshire.

16 APRIL 2024			
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Briefing reports			
	Theddlethorpe Geological Disposal Facility Working Group - 6 Monthly Update –	Justin Brown, Assistant Director, Growth	This is a 6 monthly briefing report on the workings of Theddlethorpe Geological Disposal Facility Working Group.

28 MAY 2024			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	LCC Business Centres and Economic Development Portfolio - Performance Report	Simon Wright, Regeneration and Portfolio Manager	This is a performance report.

09 JULY 2024		
<i>Item</i>	<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Adult Learning Provision 2023-24 and plans for the 2024-25 academic year Thea Croxall, Adult Learning & Skills Manager Jenny Riordan, Principal Officer for Learning and Skills	This is an annual report which provides an overview of the activity delivered by the Adult Skills & Family Learning Service 2023-24.
2	Business Lincolnshire Growth Hub Annual Performance and Future Business Support Landscape Samantha Harrison, Head of Economic Development	This is an annual report which updates the Committee on the Annual Performance of the Growth Hub in 2023, and future plans for business support initiatives.
3	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Performance Framework 2023 - 2024 – Quarter 4: <i>Economy, Flooding and Waste</i> Samantha Harrison, Head of Economic Development Chris Miller, Head of Environment Mike Reed, Head of Waste	This is a quarterly performance report that enables the Committee to comment on 2022-23 Quarter 4 performance for Economy, Flooding and Waste.

10 SEPTEMBER 2024		
<i>Item</i>	<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Broadband Programme – Annual Position Report Stephen Brookes, Broadband Programme Manager	This is an annual report which provides an update on the Broadband Programme in Lincolnshire.
2	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Performance Framework 2024 - 2025 – Quarter 1: <i>Economy, Flooding and Waste</i> Samantha Harrison, Head of Economic Development Chris Miller, Head of Environment Mike Reed, Head of Waste	This is a quarterly performance report that enables the Committee to comment on 2023-24 Quarter 1 performance for Economy, Flooding and Waste.

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26 NOVEMBER 2024		
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1	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Performance Framework 2024 - 2025 – Quarter 2: <i>Economy, Flooding and Waste</i> Samantha Harrison, Head of Economic Development Chris Miller, Head of Environment Mike Reed, Head of Waste	This is a quarterly performance report that enables the Committee to comment on 2023-24 Quarter 2 performance for Economy, Flooding and Waste.

Items to be Programmed.

- Alternative Fuels
- Climate Change Impact
- Elements of Environment Act- (Waiting for Gov Guidance/Updates)
- Food Waste Collection- (Waiting for Env Act Updates)
- Green Technology Grant
- Historic Places Team Strategy
- Horncastle Industrial Estate extension
- Introduction to East Atlantic Flying Way Heritage Site Bid
- Lincolnshire Reservoir– Progress Updates
- Local Nature Recovery Strategy (inc. Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership Update)
- New Burdens Doctrine – Funding for Net Additional Costs
- Property Green Agenda – incl. potential guest presentation facilitated by Sustainability.
- Verge Biomass Management
- Waste Performance Targets - Setting of Targets
- Motorhomes & Campervans Working Group

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

ACTIVITY

Since 27 April 2023, when a report was last submitted, the Committee has met on 22 May, 17 July and 11 September 2023. Full detail on these items is available on the County Council's website:

<https://lincolnshire.moderngov.co.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?Committeeld=551>

Set out below is a summary of the outcomes since the last update in January 2023:

22 May 2023	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Summary of Outcomes</i>
1. Levelling Up Fund - A16 Corridor Improvements - Springfields and Greencell Roundabouts	The Committee considered a proposed decision on two roundabout improvements in Spalding: (a) the A16 and A151 Springfields Roundabout; and (b) the A16 and B1180 Greencell Roundabout. This formed part of the Levelling Up Fund A16 Corridor Improvements. The Committee noted the outcomes of the stage one independent safety audit, with a further audit prior to works commencing; and the extensive land-ownership, financial and engineering challenges that would be required in adding a cycle and footway bridge to the Springfield Roundabout scheme, although this was not ruled out at a later date, if a need was proven. The Committee's statement to the Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT reflected these and other points. The Committee supported the proposed decision, which was made by the Executive Councillor on 6 June 2023.
2. Highways Performance Report, Year 6 (1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023)	The Committee recorded its satisfaction with the performance achieved and activity undertaken within this programme year. The Committee's comments included fibre broadband and their breaches of regulations; the powers of the Council in relation to breaches; expected improvements from Anglian Water, who had incurred the most fines; and using fines as a measure of performance of organisations responsible for street works. The committee's comments would be passed to the Executive Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT.
3. Highways Performance Report, Year 6 (1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023)	The Committee recorded its satisfaction with the performance achieved and activity undertaken within this programme year. The Committee's comments included fibre broadband and their breaches of regulations; the powers of the Council in relation to breaches; expected

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	improvements from Anglian Water, who had incurred the most fines; and using fines as a measure of performance of organisations responsible for street works. The committee's comments would be passed to the Executive Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT.
4.	<p>Street Works Collaboration Charter</p> <p>On 24 April 2023, the Committee requested an update on the development of the Street Works Collaboration Charter, which aims to improve the management of road roads on the public highway, and in turn minimise disruption to all road users. The Committee endorsed the Charter, and the progress made, in particular the engagement with Anglian Water.</p>

17 July 2023	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Summary of Outcomes</i>
1.	<p>Winter Service Plan 2022/23</p> <p>The Committee supported a proposed decision by the Executive Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT on the winter service plan for 2023/24 in which no major policy or operational changes had been put forward for the 2022/23 plan. The decision was made on 24 - 31 July 2023.</p>
2.	<p>Highways– Quarter 4 Performance Report (1 January - 31 March 2023) (including Road Condition Indicator data)</p> <p>Two issues from this item are highlighted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action was in hand to improve the performance of PI7 [processing of contract notifications]. • It was reported that numerous complaints related to same issue, thus 132 complaints did not amount to 132 issues. The Committee suggested that that the report needed to be reflect the number of separate issues raised via the complaints process. <p>The Committee endorsed the report and recorded its satisfaction on activity during the year. that comments and suggestions captured be shared with the Executive Member for Highways, Transport, and IT and relevant officers.</p>
3.	<p>Highways Major Project Update Report</p> <p>The major projects featured in this report included: the Grantham Southern Relief Road, including the works to address the poor ground conditions; the North Hykeham Relief Road, on which a decision was expected in September 2023; and the Spalding Relief Road, where significant ground works were required. The Committee noted the report and its comments on the above and other items would be forwarded to the Executive Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT.</p>

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4.	Passenger Transport Annual Update	Lincolnshire had received £2.1 million bus service improvement plan funding for the financial year 2023/24, with conditions of this funding yet to be finalised. Engagement with bus operators was underway to potential scope schemes. In 2021/22, bus journeys in Lincolnshire had increased by 240%, compared to a national average of 194%, which demonstrated that passenger return in Lincolnshire was better than most regions. The Committee supported better transport links between the towns in the county but recognised that there was not enough funding to establish all required links and that such routes were not necessarily commercially viable for operators. The Committee received the report, and its comments would be forwarded to the Executive Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT.
5.	Transport Quarter 4 Performance Report 2022/23	In addition to considering further details on the bus service improvement plan funding, the Committee also considered information on staffing restructure and recruitment; the educational travel budget pressure for 2023/24, and a three-year procurement plan; the development of a management information dashboard to monitor, manage and better project educational travel measures, due to be in place by end of end of July 2023; and a new travel options function to enable SEND pupils to use alternative travel arrangements to taxis, and to maximising opportunities for sustainable travel. The Committee endorsed the report, with comments made available to the Executive Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT.

11 September 2023

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1.	Refresh of the Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) for Lincolnshire	<p>The Committee considered and unanimously supported the report's Recommendations to the Executive Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT.</p> <p>Members argued that the updated plans offered an opportunity for improving CallConnect as a service, with consideration given to optimisations that could be introduced (including extending core hours of service, reviewing staffing requirements, expanding to urban areas etc.).</p> <p>Members emphasised on the importance of positive outcomes of working in partnership. Funding remained a key</p>

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		fundamental for all parties and additional money was anticipated to enable further progression of schemes and projects, delivering intended outcomes.
2.	Transport Quarter 1 Performance Report 2023/24	<p>Members received the report for the first quarter and the following points were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern was raised in relation to the current 10 vacant posts in operations and the impact on staff (increase in illness, sickness, stress, etc.). • Future trends in education travel must be closely monitored to allow for effective future planning. • Disparity in the use of CallConnect App across different areas. • Positive feedback on successes should be encouraged to showcase achievements in each quarter.
3.	North Hykeham Relief Road (NHRR)	<p>The Committee considered and unanimously supported the report's Recommendations to the Executive.</p> <p>The use of traffic signals at the Hykeham Roundabout was queried as members were sceptical as to the effectiveness of traffic lights on roundabouts.</p> <p>Members emphasised that designs should reflect future infrastructure developments especially on roundabouts (i.e., provision for the design and development of service areas and filling stations) to ensure that drivers were deterred from travelling through Lincoln when not necessary. It was also noted that there was margin for further economic development and improvements in the area where NHRR extended in.</p> <p>Members requested for cautious consideration of budgets and costs and received assurance from leading Officers that inflation and fluctuations observed in the past 18 months were factored in and also that future inflation had also been factored in.</p>
4.	Highways Performance Report, Quarter 1 (1 April to 30 June 2023)	<p>Members received the report for the first quarter and the following points were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In relation to complaints performance and costs associated with partner activity, assurance was offered that full cost recovery was sought. Lessons have been learnt from incidents and confidence is inspired that services were being delivered effectively. • In relation to drainage performance, members queried whether gully cleansing audits were undertaken.

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		Assurance was provided that a cyclical maintenance team carried out spot audits on gullies at growingly increasing frequency.
5.	Highways Major Project Update	This report provided a regular update on major projects. Members were pleased with progress and completion of major works across the county.

PLANNED WORK

Set out below are the items planned for future meetings of the Committee:

30 OCTOBER 2023			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Highway Works, Professional Services and Traffic Signals Contract Extension	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client, and Contract Management	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Executive on 7 th November 2023.
2	Anglian Water Street Works Performance – Update on Action Plan	Mick Phoenix, Traffic Manager-Place Ashley Behan, Street Works and Permitting Manager & Anglian Water Representatives	This report offers an update on partnership working with Anglian Water on the new Street Works – Collaboration Charter signed off in May 2023.
3	Transport Connect Limited (TCL) - Teckal Company Update Report	Verity Druce, Head of Transport Services Helen Reek, Support Services Manager, Transport Services	This is an annual report and provides an update on the activities and performance of the Council's "Teckal" Company Limited (TCL). The purpose of the report is to provide a summary of the strategic direction of the company: an update on how TCL provides a further option to the County Council to deliver its obligations for educational travel and public transport; and finally, to give assurance that the company

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		complies with the requirements of a private limited company.	
4	Transport Services Educational Travel Information Dashboard	Verity Druce, Head of Transport Services	This report offers an annual update on educational travel.
5	Highways – Gully Cleansing/Repair and Surface Water Flooding- Update	Richard Fenwick, County Highways Manager Shaun Butcher, County Programme Manager	This is a six-monthly report. The report aims to ensure the Committee is updated on all aspects of highway drainage asset management and that any comments or recommended changes or actions are recorded to inform future decisions.

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1	Highways Infrastructure Asset Management Plan 2023	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Executive Councillor between 13-21 st December 2023.
2	Highways Infrastructure Asset Management Policy	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Executive Councillor between 13-21 st December 2023.
3	Rail Recovery and Strategic Role in Providing Connectivity, Supporting Lincolnshire Communities and Economy	Jayne Wingad, Rail Policy Officer Richard Bates, Lead Strategic Planner (Network Planning) for Eastern Region	This report provides an update regarding changes to the rail industry, forward strategy and the Department for Transport and Transport for East Midlands rail collaborative Agreement.

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4	Highways - Quarter 2 Performance Report (1 July to 30 September 2023)	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This is a quarterly report on performance. This report sets out the performance of the highways service, including the Highway maintenance schemes update, Lincolnshire Highways Performance Report and Highways Complaints Report.
5	Major Work Schemes Report	Sam Edwards, Head of Highways Infrastructure and Laboratory Services	This is a quarterly report on progression of schemes and major works.
6	Transport - Quarter 2 Performance Report (1 July to 30 September 2023)	Verity Druce, Head of Transport Services Helen Reek, Support Services Manager, Transport Services	This is a quarterly report on performance. The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with a summary of performance for quarter 2 in relation to passenger transport and the Council's Transport Services.
7	Civil Parking Enforcement	Matt Jones, Parking Services Manager	This is an annual report to the committee. The report is an update to the Lincolnshire County Council Annual Parking Report 2022/23; the report covers the period from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022 and contains financial information on the cost of the service. The report will be shared with the Department for Transport and PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulation Outside London).

29 JANUARY 2024			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Revenue and Capital Budget Proposals	Keith Noyland, Strategic Finance Lead - Place, Fire & Rescue	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Council in February 2024.
2	Winter Service Plan Interim Report	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This is an interim update on the implemented Winter Service Plan.
3	Approach to Transport Strategy Developments – Annual Update Report	Sam Edwards, Head of Highways Infrastructure and Laboratory Services	This is an annual update to the committee. This report details what a transport strategy is and what the purpose and benefits of them are for Lincolnshire County Council (LCC). It then outlines what progress has been made since the last report in January 2023.

04 MARCH 2024			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Success Framework 2023-24 Quarter 3	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This is a quarterly report to the committee. The report sets out achievements against the Success Framework.
2	Highways - Quarter 3 Performance Report (1 October to 31 December 2023)	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This is a quarterly report on performance. This report sets out the performance of the highways service, including the Highway maintenance schemes update, Lincolnshire Highways Performance Report and Highways Complaints Report.

04 MARCH 2024			
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3	Major Work Schemes Report	Sam Edwards, Head of Highways Infrastructure and Laboratory Services	This is a quarterly report on progression of schemes and major works.
4	Highways Gully Cleansing/Repair and Surface Water Flooding	Richard Fenwick, County Highways Manager Shaun Butcher, County Programme Manager	This is a six-monthly report to the committee. The report aims to ensure the Committee is updated on all aspects of highway drainage asset management and that any comments or recommended changes or actions are recorded to inform future decisions.
5	Road Safety Partnership Update	Steven Batchelor, Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership Senior Manager	This is an annual update to the committee. This report seeks to provide committee members with an update on fatal, and killed and serious injury (KSI) casualty figures for Lincolnshire. Further, the report provides data on trends, comparisons, and areas of priority.

29 APRIL 2024			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Transport - Quarter 3 Performance Report (1 October to 31 December 2023)	Verity Druce, Head of Transport Services Helen Reek, Support Services Manager, Transport Services	This is a quarterly report on performance of the Transport Service. The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with a summary of performance for quarter 3 in relation to passenger transport and the Council's Transport Services

10 JUNE 2024		
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29 JULY 2024			
<i>Item</i>	<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>	
1	Winter Service Plan 2024-25 <i>(Pre-decision Scrutiny- Executive Cllr decision)</i>	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Executive Councillor, - date range TBC.
2	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Success Framework 2023-24 Quarter 4	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This is a quarterly report to the committee. The report sets out achievements against the Success Framework.
3	Highways Performance Report, Quarter 4 (1 January to 31 March 2024)	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This is a quarterly report on performance. This report sets out the performance of the highways service, including the Highway maintenance schemes update, Lincolnshire Highways Performance Report and Highways Complaints Report.
4	Major Work Schemes Report	Sam Edwards, Head of Highways Infrastructure and Laboratory Services	This is a quarterly report on progression of schemes and major works.
5	Highways Gully Cleansing/Repair and Surface Water Flooding	Richard Fenwick, County Highways Manager Shaun Butcher, County Programme Manager	This is a six-monthly report. The report aims to ensure the Committee is updated on all aspects of highway drainage asset management and that any comments or recommended changes or actions are recorded to inform future decisions.

29 JULY 2024			
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6	Public Transport Annual Update	Verity Druce, Head of Transport Services Helen Reek, Support Services Manager, Transport Services	This is an annual update to the committee.

16 SEPTEMBER 2024			
<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Highways Infrastructure Asset Management Plan 2024 <i>(Pre-decision scrutiny – Executive Cllr decision)</i>	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This item is for pre-decision scrutiny prior to a decision by the Executive Councillor, - date range TBC.
2	Highways – Quarter 1 Performance Report (1 April – 30 June 2024)	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client, and Contract Management	This is a quarterly report on performance. This report sets out the performance of the highways service, including the Highway maintenance schemes update, Lincolnshire Highways Performance Report and Highways Complaints Report.
3	Major Work Schemes Report	Sam Edwards, Head of Highways Infrastructure and Laboratory Services	This is a quarterly report on progression of schemes and major works.
4	Transport - Quarter 1 Performance Report (1 April 2023 to 30 June 2024)	Verity Druce, Head of Transport Services Helen Reek, Support Services Manager, Transport Services	This is a quarterly report on performance. The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with a summary of performance for quarter 1 in relation to passenger transport and the Council's Transport Services

28 OCTOBER 2024

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1	Highways Gully Cleansing/Repair and Surface Water Flooding	Richard Fenwick, County Highways Manager Shaun Butcher, County Programme Manager	This is a six-monthly report. The report aims to ensure the Committee is updated on all aspects of highway drainage asset management and that any comments or recommended changes or actions are recorded to inform future decisions.
2	Transport Connect Limited (TCL) - Teckal Company Update Annual Report	Verity Druce, Head of Transport Services Helen Reek, Support Services Manager, Transport Services	This is an annual update to the committee. The purpose of the report is to provide a summary of the strategic direction of the company; an update on how TCL provides a further option to the County Council to deliver its obligations for educational travel and public transport; and finally, to give assurance that the company complies with the requirements of a private limited company.

03 DECEMBER 2024

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1	Highways - Quarter 2 Performance Report (1 July to 30 September 2024)	Jonathan Evans, Head of Highways, Client and Contract Management	This is a quarterly report on performance. This report sets out the performance of the highways service, including the Highway maintenance schemes update, Lincolnshire Highways Performance Report and Highways Complaints Report.

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<i>Item</i>		<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
2	Major Work Schemes Report	Sam Edwards, Head of Highways Infrastructure and Laboratory Services	This is a quarterly report on progression of schemes and major works.
3	Transport - Quarter 2 Performance Report (1 July to 30 September 2024)	Verity Druce, Head of Transport Services	This is a quarterly report on performance. The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with a summary of performance for quarter 2 in relation to passenger transport and the Council's Transport Services.

Items to be programmed:

- Stamford Transport Strategy (Autumn/Winter 2023)
- Process for the Adoption of Private Streets (Autumn 2023)
- Highways Performance Report – 3-year Statutory Update following Year 6 Update in 2023 (Spring 2026)

FLOOD AND WATER MANAGEMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

ACTIVITY

Since 26 January 2023, when a report was last submitted, the Flood and Water Management Scrutiny Committee has met on 15 May and 18 September 2023. Full details on all the items considered at these meetings are available on the County Council's website:

<https://lincolnshire.moderngov.co.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=581>

20 February 2023	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Summary of Outcomes</i>
Flood Risk Team Update (including Section 19 Investigations under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010)	As part of the regular update on section 19 investigations, the Committee explored the issue of 'near-misses'. Although the term was not specifically defined, there were significantly more near-misses than incidents leading to a section 19 investigation. The investigations arising from the August 2022 flooding incidents were nearing their conclusion, and recommendations would be passed to partner agencies for their consideration. The Committee also referred to the Lincolnshire Groundwater Project the Riparian Project, which would be considered at subsequent meetings as distinct items. The Committee endorsed the report, and comments would be passed to the Executive Councillor.
Environment Agency Update	The Environment Agency reported that the Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point Beach Management Scheme had been provisionally scheduled to begin in May 2023; the natural flood management scheme in the Swanton Eau catchment of the South forty Drain had commenced; and the Boston Barrier works was expected to conclude by the end of 2024. The Committee received the update from the Environment Agency be received and recorded its satisfaction with the activity of Environment Agency in the county.
Anglian Water Update	As part of the update, reference was made to teams in Greater Lincolnshire recording 10,000 jobs per year; progress with the strategic pipeline; information-sharing arrangements; and the discharge of effluent. The length of road closures arising from Anglian Water works was also considered. The Committee received the update from Anglian Water and recorded its satisfaction of with the works being undertaken in the county.
Internal Drainage Boards	This item focused on the role of internal drainage boards, in particular the challenges arising from increased costs of power for

20 February 2023	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Summary of Outcomes</i>
	pumping stations. The Committee suggested that as the lead flood authority, the Council Write to Ofgem and the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the challenges raised by increased electricity costs. The Committee also supported action in seeking a specific grant for those organisations who raise their funds through a special levy.

15 May 2023	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Summary of Outcomes</i>
Flood Risk Team Update (including Section 19 Investigations under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010)	The Committee noted the update from Flood Risk Team, during which the following information was shared with the Committee: the backlog of section 19 investigations had been cleared; a town-wide modelling report had been commissioned for the flood in Market Rasen in August 2022; and a contractor had been appointed for the Long Bennington Flood Alleviation Scheme. The Committee was also advised that Lincolnshire County Council would become a sustainable urban drainage scheme approving, and more information was requested on this. Please refer to item on 18 September 2023.
Project Groundwater for Greater Lincolnshire	Greater Lincolnshire has been allocated £7.18 million by the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for a series of schemes aimed at establishing the impact of groundwater on flooding and identifying potential solutions to its impact. The Committee requested that a site visit be organised to one of the sites where one of the projects is being undertaken.
Lincolnshire Riparian Project Update	A person who owns land adjoining or above a watercourse or owns land through which a watercourse runs, is a riparian landowner. Riparian landowners have responsibilities prevent flooding, both their own property and the land of their neighbours. The Committee received an update on the project, whose actions include raising awareness of rights and responsibilities; a consistent approach to enforcement; and establishing a list of those able to undertake maintenance work. The Committee focused on establishing ownership, the role of the internal drainage boards in enforcement. The Committee recorded its satisfaction with the progress of the project.
Environment Agency Update	The Committee considered and noted the activities undertaken by the Environment Agency in Lincolnshire. The Committee was assured that local partners, including the Sleaford Navigation Trust were being consulted on the River Slea and Lower Witham Flood Resilience Projects.

18 September 2023	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Summary of Outcomes</i>
Flood Team Update (including Section 19 Investigations under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010)	The Committee noted the update from Flood Risk Team, during which the following information was shared with the Committee: an update on workstreams, data on near misses, the groundwater project and Long Bennington flood alleviation scheme being on target.
Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Approving Body	The Committee was informed on activity undertaken by LCC Development management team on the establishment of a Systems Approving Body on the back of government's recommendation following an independent review or the arrangements for surface water assets carried out. Members were pleased to hear that a further consultation with members of the public which aimed at helping to shape the new approach was anticipated in the next year (2024). Defra will be consulting, and subject to approval of Schedule 3 implementation, it was anticipated that this would increase the workload for the local authority.
Environment Agency Update	The Committee considered and noted the activities undertaken by the Environment Agency in Lincolnshire. Schemes highlighted included Boston Barrage/Barrier Works; the River Slea Flood Resilience project; an update on weeds overgrowing in river Witham – a specific update has been requested to form part of the next report to this committee on control and management actions undertaken.
Anglian Water Update	A verbal and visual presentation, updated Committee Members on activity undertaken by Anglian Water as well as their role in various projects across the county. The committee explored the communication strategy of Anglian Water.

PLANNED WORK

Set out below are the items planned for future meetings of the Committee:

20 NOVEMBER 2023			
	<i>Item</i>	<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Floods Team Update (including Section 19 Investigations)	Matthew Harrison, Flood Risk Manager, Lincolnshire County Council	This is a standing agenda item updating on the work of the Flood and Water team including informing the Committee of the status of all current flood

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		investigations being undertaken in the County.
2	Project Groundwater Update Matthew Harrison, Flood Risk Manager, Lincolnshire County Council	This report provides an update on the project.
3	Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Approving Body Warren Peppard, Head of Development Management	This report follows up with an update from the previous meeting.
4	Sewage Discharge Matthew Harrison, Flood Risk Manager, Lincolnshire County Council	This report follows a resolution at Council on 15 October 2023 to refer a matter on this committee.
5	Environment Agency Update Morgan Wray, Area Flood and Coastal Risk Manager, Environment Agency	This is a standing agenda item updating the committee on Environment Agency activities in Lincolnshire, including progress on key capital schemes.
6	Anglian Water Update Jonathan Glerum, Regional Flood Risk Manager, Anglian Water	This is a standing agenda item – verbal update - informing the Committee of works and projects carried out by Anglian Water.

19 FEBRUARY 2024		
<i>Item</i>	<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Floods Team Update (including Section 19 Investigations) Matthew Harrison, Flood Risk Manager, Lincolnshire County Council	This is a standing agenda item updating on the work of the Flood and Water team including informing the Committee of the status of all current flood investigations being undertaken in the County.
2	Environment Agency Update Morgan Wray, Area Flood and Coastal Risk Manager, Environment Agency	This is a standing agenda item updating the committee on Environment

19 FEBRUARY 2024		
<i>Item</i>	<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
		Agency activities in Lincolnshire, including progress on key capital schemes.
3	Anglian Water Update	Jonathan Glerum, Regional Flood Risk Manager, Anglian Water
		This is a standing agenda item – verbal update - informing the Committee of works and projects carried out by Anglian Water.

24 JUNE 2024		
<i>Item</i>	<i>Contributor</i>	<i>Notes</i>
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