

## NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

### PLACES SCRUTINY PANEL

**24 July 2019**

**PRESENT:** - Councillor Mitchell in the chair.

Councillors Collinson (Vice-Chair) and Mumby-Croft.

The panel met at the Church Square House, Scunthorpe.

- 4    **DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND PERSONAL OR PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS AND DECLARATIONS OF WHIPPING ARRANGEMENTS (IF ANY)** – There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, or personal or personal and prejudicial interests.

No whip was declared.

- 5    **MINUTES – Resolved** – That the minutes of the proceedings of this panel held on 11 June 2019, having been printed and circulated amongst the members, be taken as read and correctly recorded and signed by the chairman.

- 6    **PUBLIC REQUESTS TO SPEAK** – There were no requests received.

- 7    **TERMS OF REFERENCE AND PANEL MEMBERSHIP** - The Director: Governance and Partnerships briefed members on the Places Scrutiny Panel terms of reference and panel membership which were agreed by council at its Annual Meeting on 20 May 2019.

**Resolved** – That the panel's terms of reference and panel membership be noted.

- 8    **MEETINGS OF THE SCRUTINY PANEL** – The Chairman facilitated a discussion on the frequency of future meetings.

**Resolved** – That the position be noted.

- 9    **TRAINING REQUIREMENTS** – The Chairman invited members to contact the Director: Governance and Partnerships should they require member development on any aspects of the panel's terms of reference.

**Resolved** – That the position be noted.

- 10    **CONSIDERATION OF WORK PROGRAMME** Members discussed their future work programme and priorities for the 2019/20 municipal year.

**Resolved** – That the panels work programme be formulated, incorporating suggestions put forward by members at the meeting.

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- 11 **LOCAL ACTION TAKEN TO MANAGE FLOOD RISK IN NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL** - The Chairman welcomed Mike Simpson and Sam Cross to the meeting, the council's Group Manager – Transport Asset Management and Flood Risk Engineer respectively. The Chairman explained that the officers had been invited to give an overview of local efforts to minimise the risk of floods across North Lincolnshire to assist and inform elected members, in accordance with the recommendations arising from the 2008 Pitt Review.

The Group Manager gave a comprehensive overview of this work, providing a detailed explanation of the statutory duties, ongoing work across the council and with partner organisations, the compilation of a Register of Significant Infrastructure, and developing work to strengthen flooding prevention as part of the planning process.

Members discussed a number of localities across North Lincolnshire, asking relevant questions throughout, including on topics such as maintenance of pumping stations, liaising with the Environment Agency, scheme modelling and prioritisation, and the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy.

**Resolved** – (a) That the Group Manager – Transport Asset Management and Flood Risk Engineer be thanked for their attendance, presentation and for answering scrutiny panel members' questions; (b) that the situation be noted, and (c) that officers be invited back in twelve months to provide a further update.

- 12 **ADDED ITEM** - There was no added item for consideration at the meeting.