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## NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

### PLACE SCRUTINY PANEL

12 July 2023

**PRESENT:** - Councillor J Kennedy (Chair)

Councillors S Swift (Vice-Chair) and P Vickers

The meeting was held in Room G01e/G02e, Church Square House, Scunthorpe.

144 **SUBSTITUTIONS** - There were no substitutions at the meeting.

145 **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 and personal or personal and prejudicial interests.

No whip was declared.

146 **TO TAKE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE PANEL HELD ON 28 FEBRUARY 2023 AND 7 MARCH 2023 AS A CORRECT RECORD AND AUTHORISE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN** - That the minutes of the proceedings of the meetings held on 28 February 2023 and 7 March 2023, having been printed and circulated amongst the members, be taken as read and correctly recorded and be signed by the Chair.

147 **PUBLIC SPEAKING REQUEST, IF ANY** - No public speaking requests had been received.

148 **MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE** - The Director: Governance and Communities briefed members on the Place Scrutiny Panel terms of reference and panel membership which were agreed by council at its Annual Meeting on 18 May 2023.

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

149 **FUTURE MEETING DATES OF THE PLACE SCRUTINY PANEL** - The Chairman facilitated a discussion on the frequency of future meetings.

**Resolved** – That meetings of the Place Scrutiny Panel be held on the third Wednesday of each month (except August), commencing at 4.00 pm at Church Square House, Scunthorpe.

150 **TRAINING REQUIREMENTS** - The Chair facilitated a discussion on what, if any, training the Panel required to assist them in fulfilling their duties as a member of the Place Scrutiny Panel.

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**Resolved** – That the Director: Governance and Communities be respectfully requested to co-ordinate a member development session for all councillors on overview and scrutiny.

151 **FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME AND PRIORITIES** - The Chair facilitated a discussion on the Panel's priorities for the Municipal Year 2023-24. Suggested topics for discussion included –

- Housing and Social Landlord responsibilities to tenants
- Housing Advice Team support to those in need of emergency accommodation
- Nature Reserves and their maintenance
- Implementation of new technologies in recycling
- Broadband rollout in North Lincolnshire

**Resolved** – That the aforementioned list be the Panel's work programme for the Municipal Year 2023-24.

152 **ADDED ITEM (IF ANY)** - The Director: Governance and Communities informed the meeting that the added item submitted in accordance with the council's Constitution by Councillor Yeadon, titled 'effectiveness of partner agencies to reduce the ever-increasing number of unlicensed Houses of Multiple Occupancy (HMOs), ensuring that children in such HMOs were safe' would be considered on 26 July 2023 (4.00 pm).

153 **ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THE CHAIR DECIDES ARE URGENT BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THAT MUST BE SPECIFIED** - There was no urgent business for consideration at the meeting.