

Council Matters Arising Schedule

Purpose:

To consider progress on the matters arising from previous Council meetings.

Recommendation: That Members note progress on the matters arising and request corrective action if necessary.

Matters arising Schedule

Meeting	Full Council				
Status	Title	Action Required	Comments	Due Date	Allocated To
Black	Motion to Council - Extension to Household Support Fund	<p>Council passed a motion relating to the Household Support Fund at their meeting on 2 September requiring lobby letters to be issued as follows:</p> <p>This Council instruct the Leader and Chief Executive to write to the Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Leigh MP for Gainsborough Constituency, Rt. Hon. Sir Keir Starmer MP - Prime Minister, Rt. Hon. Rachel Reeves, Chancellor of The Exchequer and The Treasury to petition for the establishment of a further three-year extension to The Household Support Fund from October 2024.</p> <p>Please issue letters and report any response through this Matters arising</p>	<p>Letters have been issued . Progress or responses to the letters will be reported through Council Matters Arising Schedule</p> <p>Letters completed and posted 5/11/2024</p>	04/11/24	Nova Roberts

<p>Black</p>	<p>Motion to Council to improve Gp Access</p>	<p>Council at its meeting on 2 September passed a motion relating to the above - immediate actions requested were</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o To call on the ICB to conduct a comprehensive needs assessment to demonstrate accurate need around GP provision. o Engage with local health authorities, NHS representatives, and community stakeholders to gather input and support for the initiative. 	<p>Initial communication has been sent to the ICB - Council will be updated of any progress through this matters arising</p>	<p>04/11/24</p>	<p>Ian Knowles</p>
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<p>Black</p>	<p>Motion - Winter Fuel Payments</p>	<p>Council at its meeting on 2 September passed a motion in respect of above . Which requested the following: -</p> <p>Instruct the Chief Executive to write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer calling for the policy on linking Winter Fuel Payments to Pension Credit receipt to be immediately paused and introduce a new threshold to determine eligibility for Winter Fuel Payments.</p> <p>Council further requests the Chief Executive write to the local MP covering West Lindsey District area asking them to give their formal support to halting the changes to the Winter Fuel Payment eligibility.</p> <p>Request all group leaders within West Lindsey District Council sign a joint letter to the Chancellor of the Exchequer calling for the new Winter Fuel Payment policy to be suspended and reviewed.</p> <p>Urgently commence a significant awareness campaign to maximise uptake of pension credits. This will include use of council noticeboards, social media, promotion in local press and also targeted letters to those who may be eligible.</p>	<p>Letters requested above have been issued .</p> <p>The Council is now actively promoting pension credit.</p> <p>Any responses received will be reported to council through this matters arising</p> <p>UPDATE: Letters sent from Chief Executive to Rt Hon Rachel Reeves and Sir Edward Leigh 05/11/24 re Winter Fuel Payment Eligibility. Letter from Group Leaders sent to Rt Hon Rachel Reeves re Winter Fuel Payment Eligibility.</p>	<p>(blank)</p>	<p>Ian Knowles</p>
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<p>Black</p>	<p>Motion to Council - BESS Sites Statutory Consultees - Lobbying</p>	<p>Please undertake action to fulfil Council resolution below.</p> <p>Please outline what action has been taken in comments section</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>(a) the District Council lobby the Government (Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) to make Local Fire Authorities statutory consultees in respect of planning applications relating to Renewable Energy Sites and specifically Battery Electric Storage System sites; and</p> <p>(b) the relevant Director for the Service area, write to the Local Government Association and Greater Lincolnshire Local Authorities to highlight the current situation and lack of oversight on such developments and request that they too lobby the Government to bring about this national change.</p> <p>Please issue letters and report any response through this Matters arising</p>	<p>Letters have been issued to MHCLG and Heads of Planning in Greater Lincolnshire. No responses to date . Progress or responses to the letters will be reported through Council Matters Arising Schedule.</p>	<p>27/01/24</p>	<p>Sally Grindrod-Smith</p>
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<p>Black</p>	<p>Motion to Council - Lincolnshire Police Fairer Funding Letters/Lobbying</p>	<p>Council passed a motion relating to the Fairer Funding for Lincs Police at their meeting on 4 November requiring letters to be issued as follows: RESOLVED unanimously that: -</p> <p>(a) the Chief Executive, Leader and Chairman write to the Chief Constable and Police Commissioner to support their lobbying for fairer funding for Lincolnshire police to ensure that they can establish and sustain a truly preventative Neighbourhood Policing Structure, alongside an effective detection service, enhancing community safety and well-being in our District; and</p> <p>(b) the Chief Executive, Leader and Chairman petition Sir Edward Leigh MP, The Home Office and Treasury to provide a realistic funding formula to allow Lincolnshire police to carry out the preventative policing principles laid down by Peel, Rowan and Mayer in 1829 alongside the justice system functions of crime detection.</p> <p>Please issue letters and report any response through this Matters arising</p>	<p>Letters have been issued . Progress or responses to the letters will be reported through Council Matters Arising Schedule</p>	<p>27/01/25</p>	<p>Ian Knowles</p>
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Green	Motion - Lobbying of LNER	<p>Please undertake action to fulfil Council resolution below.</p> <p>Please outline what action has been taken.</p>	<p>Extract from Mins of Mtg 6 /11/23 - RESOLVED unanimously that the District Council lobby LNER, seeking support from all statutory partners, to assess the viability of Barnetby being included in the direct run from Cleethorpes, passing through Market Rasen, to London.</p> <p>Officers are arranging a meeting with LNER to obtain the latest details of the potential new Cleethorpes to London service. This includes understanding which stations will and will not be included as stopping points. Once this is clarified officers will establish a lobbying strategy as required. 22/8/24</p> <p>A commitment to re-introduce a direct Cleethorpes to London service was made by the previous Government with previous ministers stating an expected start date of December 2024. There has not been any update on this position as yet following the election.</p> <p>Officers continue to monitor announcements on rail services by the Government and train operators. When the Government position on this new service commitment is confirmed, officers will work to establish a lobbying strategy as required.</p>	04/11/24	Grant White
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Green	Polling Station Review - Gainsborough North	Officers to continue to find a suitable polling place in the Gainsborough North Ward (DC) to replace Gladstone House due to the points raised by the meeting.	Officers are in positive conversations around hosting the polling station with the John Coupland Hospital, it is hoped a more formalised position can be reported to Council when they meet, on 27 January.	27/01/25	Katie Storr
Green – ON HOLD	Public Participation Schemes - Review of	AGM Mtg 23/5/23 When considering the Annual Review of Constitution, the Leader advised the Administration would wish to undertake a fundamental review of the participation schemes in year Scope and time line of this work to be discussed with Administration	Initial conversation to be held at Chairs Brief as to how the Group would like to proceed - ITEM ON HOLD	(blank)	Katie Storr