



GREATER LINCOLNSHIRE DEVOLUTION

MORE MONEY, MORE POWER, MORE SAY, BETTER RESULTS

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The policy landscape

- Lincolnshire has been seeking fairer funding for many years
- Government policy seeks to level up the UK
- Place based interventions = Towns fund and UKSPF
- Long term change = Devolution
- December 2022 – Council asked us to seek a devolution deal



Devolution: the basics

- Devolution is set out in the levelling up white paper
- 3 levels – we've secured a level 3 deal – the maximum level
- Our deal gives commitment for:
 - Power and funding comes to Greater Lincolnshire
 - More power means more responsibility
 - More say means more flexibility
 - More flexibility mean better results



Devolution: the basics

- To receive the powers we must set up a new body called a Combined County Authority, usually chaired by a Mayor
- Devolution is not local government reorganization
- Some transport and LEP functions move to the CCA
- The city, district and borough councils will keep doing what they do



What we want to achieve

Invest in
infrastructure

Boost growth and
innovation

More high skill
high wage jobs in
key sectors

Provide training
for new jobs

Housing in the
right place

Improve transport
links



The Greater Lincolnshire deal:



Mayoral
Investment
Fund



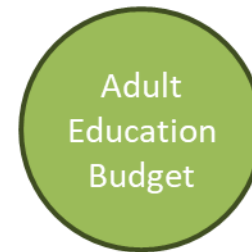
Capital
Projects



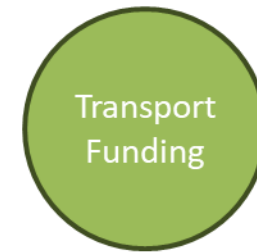
Brownfield
Funding



Transition
Funding



Targeted



Flexible



Voice to
Government



Long term
Financial
Certainty



Less
Bidding
required



Deal Grows
Over Time



The Greater Lincolnshire proposal:

- Growth

Directs funding towards the infrastructure we need to grow and create jobs

- Investment fund to target infrastructure for 30 years
- Creates a key route network to speed up journey times
- Sees us working with government to research and innovate
- Brings forward enhanced water management arrangements and investment in flood prevention

- Skills

High quality skills and training to capitalise on local opportunities

- Local responsibility for the Adult Education Budget from 2026
- Invests in skills that are needed for local jobs
- Helps care leavers to gain apprenticeships and support
- Provides careers support



The Greater Lincolnshire proposal:

- Housing

Brings forward investment to enable new, good quality housing provision

- Funding from Homes England to unlock stuck sites
- Regeneration through brownfield funding

- Humber to the Wash

Delivering our potential across the whole of Greater Lincolnshire

- Decarbonising the Humber
- Investment and support for the UK Food Valley
- Enhancing transport links (road and rail)
- Maximising the potential of Humber and East Midland freeports



The Greater Lincolnshire proposal:

- Voice

Championing our needs and gaining investment from government

- Sets out the long-term ambitions for the area
- Provides local accountability for new powers and funding
- 1 of 11 rather than 1 of 317 – amplifying our voice
- The Mayor chairs a board of 10 local councillors

2023

- ✓ Preliminary discussions - now concluded
- ✓ Formal discussions and developing the deal – May through summer
- ✓ Finalising agreement - Summer
- ✓ Signing and publication – late summer / early autumn
- ✓ Proposal published – autumn / winter
- Public consultation – winter (8 weeks)

2024

- Summary of responses to SoS – early 2024
- SoS decision to lay SI – early 2024
- Pre-legislative scrutiny – possibly early spring 2024
- Final agreement by upper tiers – poss late spring
- Parliamentary process – a further 8-10 weeks

How can you help?

- Get involved by:
 - Talking to others about the benefits devolution can bring
 - Engage in the consultation exercise (4 December – 29 January)
 - Find out more at lincolnshire.gov.uk/devolution

