

TOURISM AND VISITOR ECONOMY SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	15 October 2020
REPORT OF	Director for Communities (Statutory Scrutiny Officer)
SUBJECT	Tracking the recommendations of the Economy Scrutiny Panel
STATUS	Open

CONTRIBUTION TO OUR AIM

The scrutiny panels act as a reviewing mechanism for decisions made relating to the strategic policy, performance and resources required to deliver the ambitions of the council and the strategic partnership. The aim of the scrutiny process is to make sure decision making is robust by providing constructive challenge. This contributes to the Council being effective and efficient, and therefore it is integral to the delivery of the Council Plan.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each scrutiny panel monitors the progress made on their recommendations through a tracking table, which is included as an appendix of this report.

MATTER(S) FOR CONSIDERATION

Members are asked to look at the progress against the recommendations and agree to sign off any recommendations that have been completed or are no longer considered to be an efficient use of resources or where priorities have changed.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

Each scrutiny panel has a standard agenda item to check progress against the recommendations they have previously made.

Members are asked to look at the progress against the recommendations and agree to sign off any recommendations that have been completed, so that they can be removed from the table. It would also be effective to sign off any recommendations that have not been completed but which are no longer considered to be an efficient use of resources, or where priorities have changed.

Appendix 1 of this report lists the recommendations previously made by and which fall within the terms of reference of this Tourism and Visitor Economy Scrutiny Panel.

2. RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Risk assessments will already have been carried out on the reports that these recommendations have come from.

Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include risk assessment(s) by the author(s) concerned.

3. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

The panel's tracking report demonstrates that the panel monitors progress on its recommendations and required actions. This report further demonstrates the breadth of matters considered by scrutiny.

4. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations included within this report, beyond scrutiny's enhanced future role in monitoring delivery of the council's budget and medium term financial plan.

5. CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no impacts on climate change and the environment as a direct result of this report. The reports that these tracked items have come from will have been assessed for impact.

Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include climate change and environmental implications by the author(s) concerned.

6. MONITORING COMMENTS

In the opinion of the author, this report does not contain recommended changes to policy or resources (people, finance or physical assets). As a result no monitoring comments have been sought from the Council's Monitoring Officer (Chief Legal Officer), Section 151 Officer (Director of Finance) or Strategic Workforce Lead.

7. WARD IMPLICATIONS

Potentially impacts on all wards.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Minutes from the Economy Scrutiny panel

<http://www.nelincs.gov.uk/committees/committees.aspx?commid=69>

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TRACKING OF RECOMMENDATIONS – TOURISM AND VISTOR ECONOMY SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	RECOMMENDATION	RESPONSIBLE	PROGRESS/COMMENTS
16 November 2017	<p><u>SPTVE.27 - FUTURE OF STATUTORY LIBRARY SERVICES IN NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE</u></p> <p>The panel has received regular updates via briefing notes and reports March 2018 SPTVE.11 refers, October 2018 SPTVE18 refers, December 2018 SAPTVE.27 refers. August 2019 and October 2019 SPTVE.19 refers. The panel awaits information regarding further developments relating to Grimsby Town Deal and will be involved in options appraisal at a later date and before Cabinet consideration. Date to be confirmed.</p>	Stephen Pintus - Director of Health and Wellbeing	<p>Retain in tracking</p> <p>Item for 2020/21 work programme.</p> <p>Item on the agenda for the 15th October meeting. Item be removed from the tracking.</p>
16 November 2017	<p><u>SPTVE.28 - ARCHIVES</u></p> <p>The panel has received regular updates via detailed reports and briefing notes October 2018 SPTVE.18 refers and 6 December 2018 SPTVE.31 refers and October 2019 SPTVE.19 refers. The panel awaits information regarding further developments around the museums service and the Fishing Heritage Centre and further collaborative work with Grimsby and Cleethorpes Trustees and will be involved in options appraisal at a later date and before Cabinet consideration.</p>	Stephen Pintus - Director of Health and Wellbeing / Drew Hughes, Commissioning and Relationship Manager	<p>Retain in tracking</p> <p>Item for 2020/21 work programme.</p> <p>Future meeting date to be identified and agreed.</p> <p>Archives are due for a review in the near future, panel to be informed once this is complete.</p>

	Date to be confirmed.		
16 November 2017	<p><u>SPTVE.29 - HISTORIC VESSELS CONSERVATION STUDY</u></p> <p>The panel has received regular updates via detailed reports and briefing notes, July 2018, March 2019 SPTVE.53 refers, August 2019 and October 2019 SPTVE.19 refers. The panel awaits information regarding further developments relating to Grimsby Town Deal, museums service and the Fishing Heritage Centre and will be involved in options appraisal at a later date and before Cabinet consideration. The panel received a briefing note at its July 2020 meeting.</p>	Assistant Director – Strategy and Investment	<p>Retain in tracking.</p> <p>Item for 2020/21 work programme.</p> <p>Future meeting date to be agreed.</p>
7 December 2017	<p><u>SPTVE.40 - A Strategic Approach to Tourism in NEL</u></p> <p>The panel along with the Economy Scrutiny Panel have been involved at key stages in the Local Economic Assessment / consultation prior to cabinet consideration of a refreshed economic strategy for NEL; a special joint meeting with Economy Scrutiny Panel was held 4 February 2019 to determine future approach. On 6 August 2019 a joint workshop with Economy Scrutiny Panel considered interim findings.</p>	Damien Jaines-White, Acting Assistant Director – Regeneration	Item on the agenda for the 15 th October meeting. Can then be removed from tracking.

<p>19 July 2018</p>	<p><u>SPTVE.10 – Outcomes framework progress report; regarding appointment of Resort Manager</u></p> <p>The panel has continued its interest in this crucial appointment. At its meeting on 5 December 2019 the Portfolio Holder for Tourism, Heritage and Culture advised interviews would be conducted in January 2020 with hope for a successful candidate to be in post during March 2020. The post would be based with the beach safety team within the resort.</p>	<p>Councillor Callum Procter, Portfolio Holder for Tourism, Heritage and Culture</p>	<p>Item on the agenda for the 15th October meeting. Can then be removed from tracking.</p>
<p>10 October 2019</p>	<p><u>SPTVE.26 – Council Land Use Policy</u></p> <p>The panel to receive a report following 12 months implementation of the Council Land Use Policy.</p>	<p>Director of Resources and Governance</p>	<p>https://www.nelincs.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Use-of-council-land-and-open-spaces-policy-A11y-May20.pdf</p> <p>This is the link to the policy which is on the Councils website. At commencement of lockdown we advised no events would be approved via ESAG until after the end of July. Since then, social distancing and limitations on gatherings have meant most events have been cancelled up to Christmas.</p> <p>Report due in April 2021.</p>
<p>23 July 2020</p>	<p><u>SPTVE.## - Tracking of recommendations regarding libraries COVID-19 post-lockdown</u></p> <p>The panel to receive a written response to questions about current service offer, operations and opening of libraries.</p>	<p>Stephen Pintus - Director of Health and Wellbeing /</p>	<p>Item on the agenda for the 15th October meeting.</p>

23 July 2020	<p><u>SPTVE.8 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES UPDATE</u></p> <p>That the panel be informed about future plans for advertising in council owned toilets across the borough.</p> <p>That the Portfolio Holder for Tourism, Heritage and Culture discuss with officers the possibility of making Grimsby Town Centre facilities free to use also.</p>	Wendy Fisher – Estates and Business Development Manager	<p>Update 6.10.20: The Council is currently out to tender for the overall roundabouts/assets advertisings contract in NEL. Once a successful tender is appointed the potential for public convenient advertising will be one of the opportunities the authority will be discussing with them. However, it must be borne in mind from previous discussions with the current contractor that public convenience advertising is not regarded by the industry as a particularly lucrative source of income.</p> <p>Update 6.10.20: The Council are continuing to review the public convenience provision and understand the costs associated with this. The consideration of free use in Grimsby Town Centre, previously raised by the Scrutiny panel, will be factored into this review and will be considered by the Portfolio Holder in due course.</p>
23 July 2020	<p><u>SPTVE.10 TOURISM AND VISITOR ECONOMY SCRUTINY PANEL: WORK PROGRAMME 2020/21</u></p> <p>That the work programme be agreed, subject to the additional item of the Council's response to the Which? Survey, being added.</p>	Helen Thompson - Investment Team Manager	To be picked up as part of the TVE Dashboard in December 2020.

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