



JOINT SCRUTINY TASK & FINISH GROUP Project Scoping Template

Topic: Joint Scrutiny of the South & East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership 2023

Objectives and Key Issues:

The function of scrutiny within each of the partner Councils plays an important and key role within the overall governance arrangements for each of the partnership Councils and for the Partnership as a whole.

The approved business case demonstrated a number of opportunities for the South & East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership.

Progress on these identified opportunities, plus other key issues, form the basis of this annual joint scrutiny of the Partnership.

Lines of Enquiry:

- To review delivery of the recommendations from the 2022 Partnership annual scrutiny;
- To consider progress against the Peer Review recommendations from 2022;
- To consider how the partnership is responding to shared and common challenges and opportunities at a local, corporate, and sub-regional level across the southeast region of Lincolnshire;
- To review the progress being made to achieve the combined financial opportunity of up to £42m (if all service integration opportunities are embraced) identified in the Partnership business case.
- How is the partnership building on the existing and successful PSPS Ltd relationship in order to improve service effectiveness and efficiency;
- How is the Partnership securing service delivery improvements and resilience across the Partnership;
- How is the Partnership creating additional capacity and increased resilience to do more for our communities;
- To cement a solid foundation of partnership working ahead of the potential for devolution and local reform;
- To consider the increased opportunities to secure external funding to enable the future prosperity for our communities;

- To understand progress in delivering a sub-regional Growth Strategy; and
- To seek assurance that the Digital Strategy and ICT Roadmap is making progress.

Standard Areas to Consider

Relationship with Annual Delivery Plans: as per the lines of enquiry above

Financial Implications: as per the lines of enquiry above

Witnesses

Internal:

ELDC/BBC/SHDC Leader & Deputy Leader, Chief Executive, ELDC/SHDC/BBC Members, Other relevant officers TBC by panel

External: PPS Chief Executive, PPS Head of ICT & Digital

Resources

Liaison Officer:

Rebecca James, Scrutiny & Policy Officer, S&ELCP

James Gilbert, Assistant Director, Corporate

Required officer expertise:

To be decided as the scrutiny review progresses

Timescale

Start date: 26th September

End date: 6th November

Target ELDC Overview Committee Meeting: 28th November

Target BBC Overview & Scrutiny Meeting: 19th December

Target SHDC Scrutiny Committee Meeting: 15th November

Target Cabinet / Executive Board Meeting: ELDC 29/11, SHDC 06/12, BBC 16/01