

Scrutiny Topic Suggestion Form

Please complete the sections below if you wish to suggest a topic for scrutiny or policy development. If you require assistance whilst completing this form, please contact the Scrutiny Officer on:

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Suggested topics must meet one or both of the following criteria:

A High level/strategic topics that impact on how services are delivered and/or how the council works

B Issues that have a significant impact on the East Lindsey community

1. Topic title

Update ELDC planning policy to encourage/require integration of renewable energy sources into new build properties

2. Which of the above criteria does your topic suggestion meet – A or B (please highlight one or both) - and explain how.

A – it affects how planning policy is decided and would affect how planning officers make decisions / recommendations

B – it will impact residents positively – those that buy a new build property will be confident it is 'future-proof' in terms of energy efficiency and upcoming new requirements

3. Reasons why the subject should be reviewed. If applicable, please state whether this topic is:

(a) post-decision scrutiny;

(b) pre-decision scrutiny; or

(c) policy development

This scrutiny will help influence planning policy and therefore planning decisions based on a potentially updated policy.

4. What is the relationship to the corporate priorities as identified in the Corporate Plan?

1. Help enable a supply of homes that meet needs and aspirations;
2. Adapt to meet the challenge of a changing natural environment;

Portfolio Responsibility if known: Cllr Ashton

5. Evidence (What evidence is there to support the need for scrutiny? What are the facts?)

Requirements for energy efficiency and use of renewable energy in properties will become a requirement in the near future. Acting now will help residents.

Desired Outcomes (What would be achieved for the council or district by undertaking this topic?)

Recommending/requiring that developers integrate this now will help ensure that new build properties are future proof for the owners and avoid costly retrofit measures when the new requirements come into force in a few years' time.

Topic proposed by: Councillor Paul Rickett

Date: June 2023

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- Overview Meeting: 25th July 2023
- Accept/ Reject:

Please note, if you wish to see more details about how Overview Committee assesses scrutiny topics, please ask the Scrutiny Officer for a copy of the Scrutiny & Policy Panel Operational Guidelines.