

**EAST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL
DECISION NOTICE**

1. Decision to be taken: **Boston BC and East Lindsey DC have a single duty officer rota, covering the geography of both council areas, for dangerous structures notified to either Council out of office hours. The rota cover is provided by the Principal Consultant Surveyor (IH) (ELDC) together with the Senior Building Control Officer (PS) (BBC), Building Control Officer (MS) (BBC) and Building Control Officer (CL) (BBC).**

The decision being sought is under Section 113 of the Local Government Act 1972 for East Lindsey to share one officer with Boston BC and for East Lindsey DC to accept the share of three officers from Boston BC to enable a combined duty officer rota to be established for both areas.

2. This is a: **Portfolio Holder supported Officer decision**

3. The following is the decision making body or person:

OFFICER: Robert Barlow, Joint Chief Executive & Head of Paid Service

4. Financial implications from this decision have been communicated to the Portfolio Holder for Finance and the Leader? **N/A**

5. The decision was taken on: **04th August 2023**

6. Contact Officer and details: **Christian Allen; Assistant Director Regulatory**

7. List of documents submitted for consideration in relation to the matter in respect of which the decision is to be made: **SII3 share proposal as approved by RB 25th July 2023**

8. Where the documents are held and where they can be obtained from (except exempt items) when they become available: **Christian Allen**

9. The reason for the decision and other alternative options considered and rejected: **To provide a resilient out of hours duty officer rota for dangerous structures reported to either Boston Borough Council and/or East Lindsey District Council that occur anywhere throughout the geography covered by both Councils, 365 days per year.**

To protect the health, safety and welfare of the public who may be impacted by the presence of a dangerous structure wherever they reside in each district.

Alternative Options considered and rejected: A single out of hours duty rota for dangerous structures provided by each sovereign council for their own area only. This is not sustainable as there are insufficient qualified staff to cover the rota for sufficient days at each council for 365 days of each year whilst enabling statutory rest periods.

10. Declaration of any conflicts of interest of the decision making body or the individual: **None**

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11. Provide a note of any subsequent dispensations granted by the Head of Paid service:
None

12. Financial Implications of this Decision:-

Estimated cost:- **to be reconciled at the end of each quarter**

Funded from:- **substantive service budgets at each Council recharged accordingly following reconciliation**

13. This decision has been signed off by:

Head of Paid Service/SLT

Robert Barlow

Officer:

Christian Allen

Portfolio Holder:

Councillor Tom Ashton
