

EAST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL DECISION NOTICE

1. Decision to be taken:

- a) To make staff establishment changes to the enviro-crime team as was and to retain and redeploy the budget released from externalising the work to fund a revised structure; and
- b) To out-source enforcement responsibilities previously undertaken by the enviro-crime team

2. This is a:

PORTFOLIO HOLDER SUPPORTED OFFICER DECISION

Note: This form should not be used for Key Decisions

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

OFFICER: Rob Barlow Joint Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service, after consultation with: Martin Foster Portfolio Holder for Operational Services

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

5. The decision was taken on: 5 August 2022

Note: - the above date to be completed by Democratic Services upon publication

6. Contact Officer and details: Christian Allen, Assistant Director Regulatory. Christian.allen@boston.gov.uk. T: 07970 012701

7. List of documents submitted for consideration in relation to the matter in respect of which the decision is to be made:

Senior Leadership Team Report dated 01st August 2022; Environmental Crime Enforcement; To Consider recommendations in respect of changes to the ELDC establishment as a result of the proposed environmental crime enforcement contract

8. Where the documents are held and where they can be obtained from (except exempt items) when they become available: Please contact Christian Allen, Assistant Director Regulatory. Christian.allen@boston.gov.uk. T: 07970 012701

9. The reason for the decision and other alternative options considered and rejected:

The Annual Delivery Plan for 2021/22 approved by ELDC members at Full Council on 2nd March 2022 set out priorities for the Communities Directorate including; Enviro-crime enforcement contract established for the Partnership.

Engaging an external enviro-crime enforcement contractor to undertake work previously delivered by an in-house team has released resources currently used to fund establishment costs. The proposal for which approval is sought seeks to redeploy the resources/staff capacity released from the new working arrangements to;

- a) establish a client liaison role to support the contractor team; and
- b) establish a caravan site licensing team to take a strategic and proactive approach to managing compliance across the 300 sites and 34,000 caravans located in the district; a priority endorsed by Executive Board Members Briefing on 21st April 2021;

- 10. Declaration of any conflicts of interest of the decision making body or the individual: None
- 11. Provide a note of any subsequent dispensations granted by the Head of Paid service: N/A
- 12. Financial Implications of this Decision:-

Estimated cost:- £156,055

Funded from:- Existing establishment budget for Environmental Health/ Enviro-crime team 22/23

N.B. Please enter names below, signatures will be retained as a hard copy and will not be published therefore should be provided on page 3 of this form:

- 13. This decision has been signed off by:

(insert name – signatures should be provided overleaf on page 3)

Robert Barlow, Joint Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service

Portfolio Holder:Councillor Martin Foster Portfolio Holder for Operational Services