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Delivering our strategic priority 'Let's enhance our remarkable place' is much more than delivering projects. The day-to-day work of everyone at the council has an enormous impact, either directly or indirectly. This includes;

Enforcement

- Dealing with 2328 Public Protection and Anti-Social Behaviour cases so far in 2019/20
- Issued 372 tickets so far in 2019/20 for littering
- Delivering a CCTV service which dealt with 13,878 incidents in 18/19 (10,721 in the first 3 Quarters of this year so far).

- Resolving 317 complaints through planning enforcement in the last 12 months
- Making recommendations and passing decisions on 1173 planning applications so far in 2019/20

- For the PH/taxi drivers there is a difference between total licences and number issued in year due to a proportion of licences being on a 3 year cycle. Same for operators which are 5 year.
 - Issuing a range of licenses each year:
 - Private Hire Driver – **497 total 330 issued**
 - Private Hire Vehicles – **420**
 - Private Hire Operators – **24 total 7 issued**
 - Hackney Carriage Driver – **41 total 32 issued**
 - Hackney Carriage Vehicles – **31**
 - LA 2003 alcohol/premises licensing Application – **188**
 - Personal Licence Application/Amendments– **100**
 - Horses on common registered - **68**
 - 2005 Gambling licences - **17**
 - Scrap metal - **4**
 - Charity collections – **48 street 18 house to house**
 - Any others – **2 sex establishments, 1 street trader, 885 PH/HC test certificates**

- Two appeals heard and the authority successfully defended both – **1 REVOCATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE and , 1 Hackney Carriage DRIVER REVOCATION**
- Revocations and suspensions taken and for what i.e 2003 or HC/PH – **1 LA2003 revocation, 3 LA2003 suspensions, 4 Private Hire driver suspensions**

- Animal licences issued:
 - 5 x 5 star pet shops
 - 1 x 4 star pet shop
 - 1 currently under review
 - 1 x pet shop licence suspended but appeal upheld
 - 2 x 5 star stables
 - 1 x 5 star cattery
 - 1 x 5 star home boarder
 - 4 x 4 star home boarders
 - 2 x 2 star home boarders
 - 1 x 4 star breeders
 - 1 x performing animals (star rating not applicable)

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intervention team:

- Since April Worked with more than 130 individuals
- Since April Received 274 reports of incidents or ASB

Cleansing and ground maintenance

- Making three million refuse collections each year, across almost 45,000 homes. This involves the collection of 35,000 tonnes of refuse, recycling and green waste.
- Emptying 1,200 litter bins from across the city
- Investigating 119 reports of abandoned vehicles and removing 17 in the past year.
- Providing street cleansing for over 200 miles of street
- Maintaining 147.8 hectares of ground which is made up of open spaces; amenity land; and highway areas. This also covers ground maintenance areas in Service Level Agreements with Lincolnshire County Council; City of Lincoln Council Housing Services; and City of Lincoln Council Property Services.
- Providing 6 main public toilets, 1 toilet for events, and 2 public toilets in parks, as well as 2 urinals
- Maintaining the city's street benches and nameplates

Parks and open spaces

- Looking after three Historic England registered parks, each awarded Green Flag status; three commons; and a Site of Special Scientific Interest (Swanholme Lakes)
- Providing 26 equipped play areas
- A significant number of other open spaces that contribute to the city's green character including verges, pocket parks, and disused burial grounds.
- Care for the city's tree population.

Heritage

- Overseeing over 400 listed buildings that have historic significance, advising owners how to alter and improve these in the most appropriate way
- Maintaining seven pieces of public art, including the tank monument
- Rolling Out A new Heritage Database system (ARCADE) as the first authority in the UK
- Implementation of a Heritage Action Zone (HAZ), transforming part of the city centre with heritage led regeneration
- Ensuring the correct decisions are made and ongoing advice given to facilitate key heritage projects such as the redevelopment of the Cornhill Quarter, Cathedral Connected, and Chad Varah House

Recreation and Leisure

- Renting out and managing over 1,000 allotment plots
- Managing the Active Nation contract
- Receiving approximately 699,069 visits for 18/19, which is approx. 175,000 visits to Yarborough Leisure Centre every three months. Comparing with this year's figures 19/20 so far, this equates to an increase of approx. 5% on last year. That is 184,278 visits every three months at one location alone.
- Receiving approximately 199,160 visits for 18/19, which is approx. 49,790 visits to Birchwood Leisure Centre every three months. Comparing with this year's figures 19/20 so far this equates

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to an increase of approx. 15% on last year. That is 57,411 visits every three months at one location alone. This is an increase of 15% on last year and 199% on 17/18

Yarborough Leisure Centre has two Artificial Grass pitches, which are full size pitches or three 5-a-side on each pitch as well as two 11v11, two 9v9, two 7v7 and one 5v5 grass pitches.

Birchwood Leisure centre has one Full size artificial pitch or 3 five-a-side pitches, one small artificial pitch which is a five a-side as well as one 11v11, one 9v9 and three 5v5 grass pitches

- Administering bookings of five community centres
- Administering the use of the grass football pitches:
 - Cowpaddle (four pitches- not currently in use)
 - Sudbrooke Drive (two adult pitches)
 - Moorland (one adult pitch, used as an overflow from other sites)
 - Skellingthorpe Road (three adult pitches and 4 junior pitches)
 - West Common (four pitches not currently in use)
 - King George the 5th Playing Fields (One adult pitch in use, one adult pitches not currently in use)
 - One Cricket Pitch on the West Common.

Communities

- Managing the cremation of over 1629 bodies so far in 2019/20; organising over 105 full body burials; and over 160 cremated remains burials so far in 2019/20.

Planning

- Dealing with over 1000 planning applications within the year
- Approving 95% of all applications following negotiation with applicants
- Approving development with a total value of over £270 million
- Reviewing the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan
- Adopting the City of Lincoln Community Infrastructure Levy enabling contributions for funding infrastructure such as schools and transport

Events and Culture

- Managing the world famous Lincoln Christmas Market which welcomed 250,000 visitors to our city in December 2019
- Welcoming over four million tourists each year to the city, who generate £190 million for the local economy
- Supporting the evening economy with the installation of Lincoln Christmas Lights across the City Centre.
- Directly delivering (via contract) or supporting a range of events such as the Lincoln 10k road race; Steampunk, Frequency Festival, and the Lincoln Cycling Grand Prix
- Providing grant funding to the Drill Hall, whilst also being an active partner in the Lincoln Cultural Arts Partnership, Historic Lincoln Trust and Historic Lincoln Partnership
- Organising all the fair and circuses in the city each year
- Delivering a tourist information service under contract through Lincoln BIG (soon to be brought back in house – April 2020)