

Conservative Amendment to the MTFS

The City of Lincoln Council Conservative group proposes the following amendment to the 2020 / 21 MTFS. A wider platform of policy changes to the full 2025 / 2030 long term vision would be put in place in the event of a Conservative controlled council.

Investment –

Capital –

- Investment in further managed workspaces. These are particularly needed in the South of the City where there is already a lot of investment in North Hykeham by North Kesteven District Council
- An increase in sheltered bus stops throughout the city. Ensuring where practically possible, a sheltered bus stop is available. Initial investment of £50,000 - £75,000.
- Investment to create more electric vehicle charging stations across the City. Initial investment of £50,000.
- All council HRA vehicles which are procured after 2025 to be electric

Ongoing Cost –

- A Free garden waste bin for our customers under a new, reformed service - £300,000
- 10% increase in public waste bins across the city - £20,000
- Payment of initial rent guarantees in the form of a loan to allow people to rent private housing – cost neutral
- Maintenance cost of increasing sheltered bus stops throughout the city - £20,000
- The creation of “pop-in” parking, to encourage more people to shop local and use our City centre and shop local – cost neutral

Efficiencies –

- A full review into the staff management structure to save £250,000 per annum
- Further staffing investment in online services, to make the digital face of the authority the easiest and most efficient way to do business with the council – cost neutral
- More shared services with neighbouring councils
- A full review into the Sincil bank neighbourhood working scheme
- Developing unused council owned buildings / land where possible
- Reforming the amount Councillors receive who have additional responsibility
- Fundamentally review all outsourced contracts when they are due for renewal
- A full review of external grants the council issues. The current spend is over £400k per annum
- A green audit to investigate the usage of utilities (gas, electricity and water) the current bill stands at over £850k
- A full review of what the authority posts and where statutorily possible, use email rather than hard copies