

SUBJECT:	LINCOLN TENANTS' PANEL UPDATE REPORT
DIRECTORATE:	DIRECTORATE OF HOUSING AND INVESTMENT
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1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the activities of Lincoln Tenants' Panel.

2. Main activities

- 2.1 Since the last HSSC meeting, LTP met to discuss the proposed new structure for the panel. The LTP members during the meeting had a chance to discuss the proposal and ask questions around this. LTP members were asked to then take the proposal home to consider it and then complete a survey.
- 2.2 The feedback will be then discussed at a meeting due to be held on 6 October 2020 where the aim is for LTP to vote on the proposal.
- 2.3 HSSC will be kept updated as the LTP review progresses with the aim of bringing a report to the November meeting.
- 2.4 LTP are also working on a scrutiny review of gardens, this is looking into how the council deals with untidy gardens and will aim to make recommendations for service improvements. To progress the review they took part in a meeting with tenancy services to ask them questions about what support tenants needed to look after their gardens. HSSC will be kept updated on the progress of this review.
- 2.5 In relation to gardens, LTP members have taken part in the judging of the garden competition and have selected the winners.
- 2.6 LTP members also took part in the site inspection to check the work being carried out and hear about the plans for this season's work at the Hospital Plantation Land in Birchwood which is maintained by Hill Holt Wood. The Hospital Plantation Land project being carried out aims to manage the woodland and increase the amount of native species of flora.

The LTP members are going to look at building a closer bridge between the Birchwood Neighbourhood Board and Hill Holt Wood.

- 2.7 The panel have produced a proposal to carry out a car parking survey on the Hartsholme Estate. This will see a survey undertaken to assess the scale of parking on the grass verges and what sort of solutions tenants would like to see.

2.8 LTP members are also helping to address issues raised by tenants across the issue. This often takes the form of signposting to the correct department or raising the issue with the relevant member of staff on behalf of the tenant.

3. Recommendation

3.1 For HSSC members to note the contents of this report.

Is this a key decision?	No
Do the exempt information categories apply?	No
Does Rule 15 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules (call-in and urgency) apply?	No
How many appendices does the report contain?	No
List of Background Papers:	None