

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>GIVING YOUNG PEOPLE A VOICE ON HOW THEY ENGAGE WITH THE CITY OF LINCOLN COUNCIL</b>
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**1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1** To invite the Committee to receive a presentation from key contributors on how to give young people a voice on how they engage with the City of Lincoln Council. Key contributors are asked to share good practice and examples of how young people are engaged.

**2. Background**

- 2.1** The Community Leadership Scrutiny Committee held an informal workshop in June 2021 to consider topics for future scrutiny reviews.

- 2.2** As part of the workshop, the Committee expressed a desire to Giving Young People a Voice on how they Engage with the City of Lincoln Council. A scoping document for this scrutiny activity is attached at Appendix A to this report.

- 2.3** The terms of reference for this scrutiny activity are as follows:

- (1) To review the possible methods of enabling the views of young people (aged 14 – 21) to be given a voice on how they engage with the City of Lincoln Council.
- (2) To develop recommendations based on the evidence received as part of (1) above.

- 2.4** The scoping document outlines potential key contributors the Committee might wish to speak to. The following key contributors attended the meeting on 7 December 2021 and those that are due to attend on 8 February 2022:

7 December 2021

- Michael Hurtley (Development Officer) - City of Lincoln Council
- Andy Chisholm (Director of Teaching School) - Ambition Lincoln
- Robert Marshall (Policy Team) - Citizen Panel
- Jasmine Craft (Employability Manager) - Lincoln City Foundation
- Gabby Wright (Project Co-ordinator) - The Network

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- Andrew Garbutt (Quality and Standards) – Lincolnshire Youth Council
- Ben Lilley (Practice Supervisor) – Lincolnshire County Council, Education Department
- David Sampher (Practice Supervisor) – Lincolnshire County Council, Community Intervention Team
- Dr Sue Bond-Taylor (Senior Lecturer and Programme Leader) – The University of Lincoln

**2.5** At the conclusion of the meeting on 8 February 2022, the Committee will be asked to consider whether any further scrutiny review activity is required on this topic.

### **3. Organisational Impacts**

#### **3.1 Finance (including whole life costs where applicable)**

There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report.

#### **3.2 Legal Implications including Procurement Rules**

There are no direct legal implications.

#### **3.3 Equality, Diversity and Human Rights**

The Public Sector Equality Duty means that the Council must consider all individuals when carrying out their day-to-day work, in shaping policy, delivering services and in relation to their own employees.

It requires that public bodies have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination
- Advance equality of opportunity
- Foster good relations between different people when carrying out their activities

This report has no direct impact on equality in itself.

### **4. Risk Implications**

**4.1 (i) Options Explored – n/a**

**4.2 (ii) Key risks associated with the preferred approach – n/a**

### **5. Recommendation**

**5.1** In considering the information received at the meeting, the Committee is asked to determine whether any further scrutiny review activity is required on this topic.

**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?**

Appendix A – Scoping Document

**List of Background Papers:**

None.

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