NOTICE OF MOTION

COUNCIL 16 JULY 2024

City Bus Shelters

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This Council notes:

- The poor state of many of the bus shelters in our city, with badly damaged shelters being removed rather than repaired.
- That bus shelters provide many benefits, including protecting people from bad weather, making them feel safer while waiting for the bus and allowing those less confident on their feet to access bus travel more easily.
- Converting bus stop roofs into plant-covered habitats would help combat air pollution and provide food and shelter to pollinators who are at risk due to habitat loss, as well as being visually appealing and improving the appearance of our city.
- The Council has committed to address the climate crisis by aiming for carbon Net Zero by 2030.
- Hull Council have achieved this quite recently, using a grant from the UK shared prosperity fund and supported by Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, demonstrating the feasibility of this proposal.

This Council believes:

- That maintaining the existence and good repair of our bus shelters would promote the use of public transport in Lincoln, which will play a vital role in our strategy to reach Net Zero by 2030.
- That making our bus shelters bee-friendly would bring benefits to biodiversity, public health, and the character of our city itself.

This Council resolves to:

- Investigate the feasibility and implementation of bee-friendly bus shelters in Lincoln.
- Explore partnership opportunities with local businesses, gardening groups, and environmental charities (such as the Wildlife Trusts) to obtain funding through grants and sponsorship for bee-friendly bus shelter installation and maintenance and leverage expertise and community engagement in the design, planting, and upkeep of the bee-friendly shelters.