



## **JOINT SCRUTINY TASK & FINISH GROUP Project Scoping Template**

**Topic:** Joint Scrutiny of the South & East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership

### **Objectives and Key Issues:**

The function of scrutiny within each of the partner Councils plays an important and key role within the overall governance arrangements for each of the partnership Councils and for the Partnership as a whole.

The approved business case demonstrated a number of opportunities for the South and East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership.

Progress on these identified opportunities form the basis of this annual joint scrutiny of the Partnership.

### **Lines of Enquiry:**

- the ability to work together to respond to and address shared and common challenges and opportunities at a local, corporate, and sub-regional level across the southeast region of Lincolnshire;
- to realise a combined financial opportunity of up to £42m if all service integration opportunities are embraced;
- to build on the existing and successful PSPS Ltd relationship and improve service effectiveness and efficiency;
- an opportunity to improve service delivery and resilience across the Partnership;
- the sharing of expertise across the Partnership;
- the chance to create additional capacity and increased resilience to do more for our communities;
- a stronger voice locally, regionally, and nationally through the creation of a South and East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership identity;
- to cement a solid foundation of partnership working ahead of the potential for devolution and local reform;
- the increased opportunity to secure external funding to enable the future prosperity for our communities; and
- greater career development opportunities for our workforce.

**Standard Areas to Consider**

Relationship with Annual Delivery Plans: as per the lines of enquiry above

Financial Implications: as per the lines of enquiry above

**Witnesses**

Internal:

ELDC/BBC/SHDC Leader & Deputy Leader, Chief Executive,  
ELDC/SHDC/BBC Members,  
Other relevant officers TBC

External:

PSPS  
TBC

**Resources**

Liaison Officer:

Rebecca James, Scrutiny Officer,  
James Gilbert, Assistant Director, Corporate

Required officer expertise:

To be decided as the scrutiny review progresses

**Timescale**

Start date: early October

End date: mid-November

Target ELDC Overview Committee Meeting: November 29<sup>th</sup>

Target BBC Overview & Scrutiny Meeting: November 22<sup>nd</sup>

Target SHDC Scrutiny Committee Meeting: November 29<sup>th</sup>

Target Council Meeting: ELDC 14.12.22, SHDC 18.01.23, BBC 23.01.23