



## JOINT SCRUTINY TASK & FINISH GROUP Project Scoping Template

<b>Scrutiny Topic</b> (Name of review)	Joint Scrutiny of the South & East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership 2024
<b>Rationale</b> (Purpose and objectives of the scrutiny review)	<p>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.</p> <p>The approved business case demonstrated a number of opportunities for the South &amp; East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership.</p> <p>Progress on these identified opportunities, plus other key issues, form the basis of this annual joint scrutiny of the Partnership.</p>
<b>Key Lines of Enquiry:</b> (Focus of the review)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To review delivery of the recommendations from the 2023 Partnership annual scrutiny;</li> <li>2. To consider how the partnership is responding to shared and common challenges and opportunities at a local, corporate, and sub-regional level across the southeast region of Lincolnshire;</li> <li>3. To review the progress being made to achieve the combined financial opportunity of up to £42m (if all service integration opportunities are embraced) identified in the Partnership business case.</li> <li>4. How is the Partnership securing service delivery improvements and resilience across the Partnership;</li> <li>5. How is the Partnership creating additional capacity and increased resilience to do more for our communities.</li> </ol>
<b>Indicators of success</b> (desired outcomes, what should change as a result)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Assurance that the Partnership is on track to deliver its stated aims</li> <li>➤ Assurance that results are being achieved in key/relevant areas</li> <li>➤ To identify key objectives/focus for the coming year</li> </ul>
<b>Approach/methodology</b>	<i>Internal witnesses:</i> Leader, Deputy Leader, relevant Portfolio Holders, Members of SLT, Staff Forum Representatives, Rachel

	<p>Robinson. To be called to a meeting of the panel when and if required.</p> <p><i>External witnesses:</i> PSPS - Lewis Duckett (Chief Executive), Jackie Wright (Chief Delivery Officer). To be called to a meeting of the panel when and if required.</p> <p><i>Resources:</i> Introductory report/presentation, previous Annual Scrutiny Reports and Action Trackers, Peer Review reports and Action Trackers, Partnership Benefit Tracker, partnership 6-monthly updates to Council, financial efficiency tracker. Suite of documents to be circulated in advance for those on panel to read in preparation to aid focus and help decide lines of questioning during the scrutiny review.</p> <p><i>Member consultation:</i> member consultation in the form of an anonymous questionnaire to be conducted in advance of the scrutiny review meetings. Key themes from this consultation will be used to guide the panel during the review.</p>
<b>Liaison Officer</b>	James Gilbert (Assistant Director – Corporate)
<b>Timescales</b>	<p>Start date: early September 2024</p> <p>End Date: first report due 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024</p> <p>Target Overview meeting: 19<sup>th</sup> November (8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan EB)</p> <p>Target PMP meeting: 11<sup>th</sup> December (6<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Jan Cabinet)</p> <p>Target E&amp;P meeting: 10<sup>th</sup> December (Cabinet 7<sup>th</sup> Jan)</p>