

South & East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership: Delivery through Collaboration



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South & East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership

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Foreword

The South and East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership was created to unlock the area's ambitions and to deliver for our residents, our communities, and our places.

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This report fires the starting gun for an even greater year of delivery with our partners across the sub-region and in Government. Specifically, this report explores key projects we will deliver in 2023 across four strategic areas: Skills & Aspiration, Sustainable Growth, Health, and Pride in Place.

With Government backing, we have already delivered major projects. In 2023 the Partnership will go further and faster, truly delivering what levelling up means to the people of South and East Lincolnshire.

We are and always have been proud of our area. However, the truth is that for too long, South and East Lincolnshire was overlooked, and its hard working communities left behind and forgotten.

At the foundation of our Partnership was the ambition to change this. By working in partnership with Government and our leading and developing industries, we have together unlocked ground-breaking funding for the area. This funding is a down payment on levelling up and creating sustainable growth across South and East Lincolnshire. It is a down payment we will be paying back at pace and with interest.

Levelling up is not a slogan in South and East Lincolnshire. It is putting spades in the ground and delivering better health outcomes, new opportunities and jobs, better skills, education and training, creating real growth and giving our communities pride in their places once again.

We are raising aspirations across the Partnership and giving people the opportunity to realise their potential.

We have a unique opportunity. That opportunity is to truly level up South and East Lincolnshire, creating a nationally leading centre for investment, opportunity and aspiration. In our Partnership, we have the business, community and political ambition to make this opportunity a reality.

It is the genuine belief of everyone in the South and East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership that in genuine collaboration with partners we can achieve and further our grand ambitions for our residents, our communities, and our places.



Cllr Lord Gary Porter

Leader of South Holland District Council



Cllr Paul Skinner

Leader of Boston Borough Council



Cllr Craig Leyland

Leader of East Lindsey District Council



About the Partnership

Our Story



Delivery

The Partnership will focus on delivering new funding, excellent services and transformative projects.

● August
2021

South Holland, Boston and East Lindsey Councils agree to form a ground-breaking Councils Partnership

● October
2021

The Partnership, working with Lincolnshire County Council and the UK Fresh Produce Network, secures over £19.5 million from Government to fund improvements to the A16 corridor

● July
2022

The Partnership submits three levelling up fund bids as a Partnership package

● October 1st
2021

The South and East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership is formally created, making it the largest and most ambitious Councils Partnership in the country

● May
2022

The Partnership secures business case approval for 20 Towns Fund projects across Boston and East Lindsey equating to £117 million in funding and investment

● August
2022

The Partnership launches a Community Lottery to fundraise and support good causes across the sub-region



Collaboration

The Partnership will focus on delivering through deep and meaningful collaboration.



Momentum

The Partnership will always be outward facing and looking for new and exciting opportunities to advance delivery.

Liverpool

November 2022

The Partnership is awarded National Portfolio Organisation status for the first time, securing £1.9 million in funding from Arts Council England to support arts and cultural organisations

December 2022

The Partnership secures £9.3 million from the UKSPF

January 2023

The Partnership launches its UKSPF programme and commences investment

February 2023

The Partnership secures planning consent for the Mayflower and Skegness Learning TEC

November 2022

The Partnership submits investment plans for the Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF), bringing total investment plans for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) and the REPF to £12.15m

January 2023

The Partnership secures £42.8 million from Government to fund the transformation of a series of critical levelling up projects

February 2023

The Partnership breaks ground on the Campus for Future Living project

February 2023

The Partnership secures planning consent for the Sutton on Sea Colonnade project

Lincolnshire Wolds

An area of outstanding beauty that alongside the Lincolnshire coast attracts five million visitors each year. The Partnership has secured nine million pounds in funding to secure the Lincolnshire Wolds heritage and cultural sites in Spilsby and Alford

Boston

A key port town for the UK, processing over one million tonnes of steel for the UK car industry each year

Holbeach

An area with planned investment in R&D for the agri-food sector, led by the University of Lincoln, a top 50 institution globally in the agri-food industry

Mablethorpe Sutton on Sea Skegness



Three coastal towns that alongside the Lincolnshire Wolds help attract five million visitors each year. The Partnership has secured £70.3 million for these towns through the Towns Deal funding

Spalding

The UK's largest agri-food cluster with over 1,200 HGVs leaving the town on a daily basis

Total funding and investment

£195+ Million

-  - Project being delivered by the Partnership
-  - Operational Ports
-  - Roads

We Are Putting South and East Lincolnshire On The Map

By delivering in genuine collaboration with our trusted partners we are putting the brilliant people, places, and industries across South and East Lincolnshire on the map.

LEVELLING UP IN ACTION

Skills & Aspiration

CORE CHALLENGE

In South and East Lincolnshire, there are long standing challenges to up and re-skill communities and individuals post-16. The current volatile economic environment, alongside changing industries, has dictated the need for many people in South and East Lincolnshire to move towards high skilled roles. **The Partnership is creating the environment for high skilled roles and upskilling opportunities to be created in the area and for a high skill, high-wage local and regional economy to be formed.**

FACT FILE

20%

less Greater Lincolnshire residents aged 25-39 have a level 4 qualification or above then the national average

90%

of English councils have a higher skills ranking than Boston

1 in 3

adults in Skegness and Mablethorpe do not have qualifications

£6,760

Yearly wages are £6,760 below the national average in Boston

11%

less people in Lincolnshire work in higher qualified industries compared to the national average

SPOTLIGHT CASE STUDY

South Lincolnshire Food Enterprise Zone

OUTLINE OF THE PROJECT

This project is creating a cluster of leading businesses and research facilities that will ensure the region is at the heart of growth in the UK food industry.

Delivered with local partners, the Food Enterprise Zone is providing a new collaborative space for companies and create an environment for 'high tech' businesses to develop cutting-edge technology and innovations.

This cluster is actively supporting inward investment and positioning the region as the UK Food Valley leading an ambitious growth agenda and creating high skilled, high paid jobs.

KEY BENEFITS OF THE PROJECT

- Creating bespoke business space for the food manufacturing and agri-tech sectors
- Supporting new businesses with a full range of investment and growth support
- Providing businesses with access to cutting-edge research facilities
- Driving inward investment from the UK and abroad into the UK Food Valley
- Attracting businesses that will create high skilled, high paid jobs

Total Funding

£16

Million

KEY PROJECT PARTNERS



I'm excited to see how local and national food and drink companies use the expertise in cutting edge, pioneering technology and innovation on offer [in the Food Enterprise Zone] to grow their business and increase their productivity."

Jayne Almond

Director of Policy and Corporate Affairs
at the Food and Drink Federation

THE LEVELLING UP PROGRAMME

2023 Key Pipeline



PROJECT:
MAYFLOWER

OVERVIEW

A bespoke learning centre for adults to further enhance and develop learning provision post-16.

KEY OUTCOME

The creation of learning facilities which will provide unique and inspirational learning.

BENEFITS

- New specific adult skills training
- New business development training
- New community space
- Supporting digital skills
- New space for business networking

KEY PARTNERS



Funding secured:

£9.9 Million



PROJECT:
SKEGNESS LEARNING CAMPUS TEC

OVERVIEW

A cutting edge learning campus for vocational skills training.

KEY OUTCOME

The delivery of a new learning campus which will provide vocational skills training and up and re-skilling opportunities across the Partnership.

BENEFITS

- New vocational skills training
- New bespoke learning centre
- New community space
- Upskilling the workforce
- Re-skilling the workforce

KEY PARTNERS



Funding secured:

£14 Million

LEVELLING UP IN ACTION

Sustainable Growth

CORE CHALLENGE

Low productivity and a generational lack of strategic investment has held South and East Lincolnshire back. The pandemic exacerbated underlying strategic issues and caused visible damage to local and regional economies. **The Partnership is unlocking growth and solving the key issues that are holding back a sustainable, high-growth economy.**

FACT FILE

150,000 residents in the Partnership are economically inactive due to a rapidly ageing population

23% The Partnership area has a productivity rate 23% lower than UK average

£6,024 The disparity between UK average and East Midlands GDP is over £6000 per head

40% In East Lindsey, 40% of the population will be over 65 by 2041 compared to 26% by 2066 nationally

1/3 less businesses are created in Boston than England as an average

SPOTLIGHT CASE STUDY

Centre for Food & Fresh Produce Logistics

OUTLINE OF THE PROJECT

This project is supporting the growth and development of the food industry and associated supply chain sectors. It is delivering this with fully funded support for the region's workforce and businesses.

Delivered with Boston College and the University of Lincoln's National Centre for Food Manufacturing, this project is supporting innovation and training for local businesses and their employees. It is achieving this by offering a raft of development support, including access to capital grants.

The Centre for Fresh Food and Produce Logistics is ensuring the Partnership stays at the cutting edge of the agri-food industry and its supply chain sectors. The Centre is growing the local economy and attracting talent while bringing the sector in line with sustainability targets.

KEY BENEFITS OF THE PROJECT

- Enhancing businesses' productivity and profitability
- Skills training and workforce development
- Creating a community of cutting edge businesses to share and transfer knowledge
- Facilitating direct business growth via capital grants
- Interlinking learning and working throughout key education institutions

Total Funding

£4

Million

KEY PROJECT PARTNERS



Never before has it been more important for colleges, universities and businesses to combine our efforts. We look forward to being integral to the success of our local industries, providing skills and employment opportunities for now and the future.”

Claire Foster

CEO, Boston College

THE LEVELLING UP PROGRAMME

2023 Key Pipeline



OVERVIEW

A extensive refurbishment of Boston Train Station.

KEY OUTCOME

The regeneration of a key community asset and connectivity hub that will diversify use of the station and increase its footfall.

BENEFITS

- New space for business
- New community space
- New commercial units
- New ticket office
- New café

KEY PARTNERS



Funding secured:

£2.5 Million



OVERVIEW

A major improvement works to the A16 corridor.

KEY OUTCOME

The improvement of a key road route for the agri-food sector.

BENEFITS

- Reducing congestion
- Improving strategic connectivity
- Improving walking and cycling facilities
- Supporting future business cases for local transport and renewal projects
- Increasing productivity

KEY PARTNERS



Funding secured:

£19.59 Million

LEVELLING UP IN ACTION

Health

CORE CHALLENGE

South and East Lincolnshire has a population ageing at twice the rate of the national average. This brings with it a unique set of health challenges. These challenges are just one of many key health outcomes that need to be levelled up. **The Partnership is focusing on how to improve health outcomes for all communities, including the ageing population.**

FACT FILE

x2 Older population increasing at twice the UK average

8/9 local authorities in Lincolnshire rank in the worst 15% of UK local authorities for cardiovascular diseases

66.5% of adults in Lincolnshire are classified as obese or overweight compared to 62.3% nationally

20.4% of the population in Lincolnshire have a limiting long-term illness or disability, higher than the 17.6% in England

SPOTLIGHT CASE STUDY

Campus for Future Living

OUTLINE OF THE PROJECT

This project is creating a new centre of health and care excellence, putting the Partnership at the forefront of teaching, research, medical technology, and innovation.

Led by a coalition of local, regional, and national partners, this project is putting the Partnership at the heart of health and care provision. This includes creating a national centre for piloting best practices in rural settings and enabling the professional development of clinicians to support the provision of health and care in the local area.

KEY BENEFITS OF THE PROJECT

- Supporting people to live independently for longer
- Creating a national centre for piloting best practices in rural settings, particularly focused on e-medicine
- Supporting the development, manufacturing, and testing of new technology
- Connecting service providers in health and care
- Creating a social enterprise coffee hub

Total Funding

£8.5

Million

KEY PROJECT PARTNERS



Health Education England



The campus will be a pioneer leading approaches that will be nationally and internationally relevant to the development and delivery of future healthcare to people in their communities. We are delighted to be a partner in this exciting opportunity and deliver new approaches to healthcare."

Professor John Hunt

Academic lead, Medical Technologies Innovation Facility

THE LEVELLING UP PROGRAMME

2023 Key Pipeline



PROJECT:
THE SOUTH HOLLAND HEALTH
AND WELLBEING HUB

OVERVIEW

A 'health and wellbeing hub' that meets a wide range of health and wellbeing needs.

KEY OUTCOME

The creation of community facilities and infrastructure that will meet the growing needs of the Partnership and improve health and wellbeing outcomes.

BENEFITS

- New dedicated space to provide a health and wellbeing hub
- New care housing scheme
- Three new swimming pool facilities
- New 3G floodlit football pitch
- New multi-use games area

KEY PARTNERS



Funding secured:

£20 Million



PROJECT:
ROSEGARTH SQUARE

OVERVIEW

A significant public realm improvement that will kick start a regeneration of Boston's Town Centre.

KEY OUTCOME

The creation of a new Health and Community Diagnostic Centre with NHS Lincolnshire serving 29,000 people and catalysing a 10-acre regeneration masterplan.

BENEFITS

- Funding allocated for 2023-2026
- Creating improved town centre spaces
- Enhancing sense of place
- Creating new investment opportunities
- Increasing cultural outreach

KEY PARTNERS



Funding secured:

£14.8 Million

LEVELLING UP IN ACTION

Pride in Place

CORE CHALLENGE

The community assets and public places across South and East Lincolnshire are vitally important to the area's civic pride, sense of belonging and local and regional economies. The pandemic was a hammer blow to these areas following what had already been a long period of decline. **The Partnership is setting out to deliver a major regeneration programme across the sub-region to re-inspire people's pride in their places.**

FACT FILE

5% Mablethorpe and Skegness rank as being in the top 5% of most deprived towns

13% In Skegness there was a 13% decrease in the number of retail shops on the high street from 2020-2022

15% In Spalding there was a 15% decrease in the number of cafés on the high street from 2020-2022

10% In Boston there was a 10% decrease in the number of restaurants on the high street from 2020-2022

9% In Holbeach there was a 9% decrease in the number of retail shops on the high street from 2020-2022

SPOTLIGHT CASE STUDY

The Healing the High Streets Programme

OUTLINE OF THE PROJECT

This project is transforming Boston's historic town centre and re-establishing the communities' pride of the area. It is doing this through targeted regeneration that is boosting the local and visitor economy.

Delivered alongside Heritage Lincolnshire, this project is bringing Boston's town centre back to its former glory, attracting more visitors and increasing footfall. The programme is also directly assisting local businesses in transforming their premises.

This once in a generation project is being achieved by funding the replacement of shopfronts, the restoration of historic features, and the installation of new signage alongside the improvement of green spaces.

KEY BENEFITS OF THE PROJECT

- Rejuvenating and repairing key highstreet buildings
- Protecting historic community assets
- Improving public green spaces
- Boosting local and visitor economy
- Increasing communities' pride in place

Total Funding

£3.9

Million

KEY PROJECT PARTNERS



Destination
Lincolnshire

HERITAGE LINCOLNSHIRE



The Healing the High Street project is a key component of our plan and is already helping to deliver important change and improvements to key parts of the town. It is an excellent scheme which provides evidence to the local community of the benefits of the Town Deal, as well as opportunities to local businesses to benefit from the investment being made in the area."

Neil Kempster

Chair, Boston Town Board

THE LEVELLING UP PROGRAMME

2023 Key Pipeline



PROJECT:
SUTTON ON SEA COLONNADE

OVERVIEW

A major regeneration of the Colonnade and Pleasure Gardens.

KEY OUTCOME

The regeneration of the Colonnade and Pleasure Gardens creating key community assets.

BENEFITS

- Regenerating the sea front at Sutton on Sea
- New sea view tearoom
- New community space
- New artisan studio space
- New beach huts to bring in tourists

KEY PARTNERS



ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

Funding secured:

£4.2 Million



PROJECT:
NATIONAL PORTFOLIO ORGANISATION

OVERVIEW

A set of culture hubs putting heritage and culture at the heart of regeneration.

KEY OUTCOME

The creation of three cultural hubs across the sub-region.

BENEFITS

- Engaging communities
- Developing local talent
- Using digital story capture to inspire artistic commissions
- Creating three cultural hubs across the Partnership
- Championing local creative talent and inspiring children

KEY PARTNERS



Historic England



ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

Funding secured:

£2 Million

**At the South & East
Lincolnshire Councils
Partnership we deliver
through collaboration with
our trusted partners.**

**To join our partnership
please get in touch.**

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