



## North East Lincolnshire LSP: providing timely and useful information

Sustainable development has been placed centre-stage during the initial discussions of the LSP for NE Lincolnshire. The partnership has agreed the following mission statement:

*“To develop and establish with the community both a sustainable vision for North East Lincolnshire and the means to achieve it.”*

This mission has been bolstered by a core partnership agreement to prepare a community strategy ‘in accordance with the principles of sustainable development’.

This mission statement and partnership agreement have provided the LSP with the mandate to start to explore what integrated sustainable decision making processes might look like. The partnership is currently planning an ‘integration workshop’ that will be held within the next few months. It will use a sustainability appraisal framework to interrogate priority issues, explore conflict areas and determine sustainability objectives for the LSP.

Throughout the early stages of its development, the LSP has been provided with timely and digestible information about sustainable development, and the opportunities for making links between issues. Officers have made it a priority to inform the LSP of existing good local practice and to raise awareness of sustainability principles. The LSP’s rights, roles and responsibilities document contains an annex explaining the principles of sustainable decision making.

It is early days in the development of the NE Lincolnshire LSP. However the foundations have been laid for sustainability to be part of the language of the partnership.

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