

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

**CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND  
CULTURE CABINET MEMBER**

**POST 16 SEND STUDENT TRANSPORT POLICY**

**1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT**

- 1.1 To seek Cabinet Member's approval regarding the Council's post 16 Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) student transport policy.

**2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 2.1 The council has a statutory duty to facilitate the attendance of people of 6<sup>th</sup> form age to education or training, but students can be expected to pay all or part of the cost of transport.
- 2.2 For the academic year 2019.20 SEND students made a contribution of £30 to their transport with a replacement pass levy of £30, this is to be continued in 2020/21 for those eligible to receive support under the post 16 SEND student transport policy.

**3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**Policy Options:**

- 3.1 Option 1: To approve the post 16 SEND student transport policy.

**4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS**

**4.1 Option 1: Approval of Policies**

- 4.1.1 North Lincolnshire students will continue to receive excellent transport support
- 4.1.2 This policy requires the council to subsidise post 16 SEND transport. The current cost for the 2019/20 financial year is in the region of £265k net.

5. **FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (e.g. LEGAL, HR, PROPERTY, IT, COMMUNICATIONS etc.)**
  - 5.1 **Finance** – costings are dependent upon demand
  - 5.2 **Staffing** - Nil
6. **OTHER RELEVANT IMPLICATIONS (e.g. CRIME AND DISORDER, EQUALITIES, COUNCIL PLAN, ENVIRONMENTAL, RISK etc.)**
  - 6.1 **Environmental** – The scheme has a positive impact on the environment.
  - 6.2 **Statutory** – The council has a duty to help post 16 students access further education, but not to provide free transport.
7. **OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)**
  - 7.1 An Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) has been undertaken for this policy
8. **OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED**
  - 8.1 Informal meetings have taken place with John Leggott College and North Lindsay College who are supportive of the scheme.
  - 8.2 There have been no conflicts of interest either identified or declared.
9. **RECOMMENDATIONS**
  - 9.1 That Cabinet Member approves the post 16 SEND student transport policy.

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**Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:** None