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REPORT TO:	BTAC
DATE:	5 TH AUGUST 2020
SUBJECT:	SETTING UP A TOWN COUNCIL
REPORT AUTHOR:	CHAIRMAN
EXEMPT REPORT?	NO

SUMMARY

At its meeting on 27th November 2019, the Committee considered the process for setting up a town council for Boston, but debate was deferred. Members are asked to consider whether they want to ask officers to explore the issues involved and report back to BTAC for the Committee

RECOMMENDATIONS

That BTAC takes a vote on whether to task officers with the work of exploring all the issues and implications involved in setting up a town council in order to report back to the Committee to consider.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

The process of setting up a town council has been considered previously, but Members have not yet decided whether to ask officers to bring full information before them to make a final decision as to whether they wish to pursue this option.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

Not to ask for any further information or consider whether to set up a town council for Boston.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Officer time in researching the issues involved and reporting back to the Committee not yet determined.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

These would be explored by officers when drafting a report back to the Committee.

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

These would be explored by officers when drafting a report back to the Committee.

EQUALITY AND SAFEGUARDING IMPLICATIONS

These would be explored by officers when drafting a report back to the Committee.

OTHER IMPLICATIONS

These would be explored by officers when drafting a report back to the Committee.

CONSULTATION

None.

APPENDICES

Appendices are listed below and attached to the back of the report: -

APPENDIX A	Report to BTAC of 11 th December 2013
APPENDIX B	Minutes of BTAC meeting of 11 th December 2013
APPENDIX C	Information from the www.gov.uk website on setting up a town council
APPENDIX D	Minutes of BTAC meeting of 27 th November 2019

BACKGROUND PAPERS

(If none then insert the working 'No background papers as defined in Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the production of this report.' Also delete the below text/boxes.)

Background papers used in the production of this report are listed below: -

Document title	Where the document can be viewed
Community Governance Reviews: Guidance	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/community-governance-reviews-guidance

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CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT

Name of body	Date
BTAC	27 th November 2019