



# WHAT THE HUMBER FREEPORT MEANS FOR GREATER LINCOLNSHIRE

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# GREATER LINCOLNSHIRE



# The Humber Freeport will:

Support our Economic growth plan:

- One of the game changing opportunities for Greater Lincolnshire
- Protecting our businesses and people from pandemic impacts
- Progressing development and innovation and implementing investment opportunities
- Prospering with new programmes and ideas to transform our economy

Help achieve our 5 year Economic Plan priorities across our energy, ports and logistics, seafood processing and advanced manufacturing sectors



# Regeneration and Skills

National hub for trade and investment

Enabling sustainable economic growth

Supporting our emerging industrial clusters

Leading on decarbonisation and green energy jobs

Providing skills for the future

Bringing together our education and specialist training providers

Levelling up our communities and being mindful of the Humber as a Place

Improving road, rail, and digital infrastructure



# Creating hotbeds of Innovation

Collaborative working group already established with Lincoln, Hull and Birmingham Universities

Building on a strong innovation focus in the region:

- Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult
- CATCH centre
- RaisE Rail Innovation Centre at Goole supporting rail clustering
- Proposed R&D center in Hull under consideration supporting medtech clustering
- Hull Logistics Institute - LHOFT project (Liverpool-Humber Optimisation of Freight Transport)
- Lincoln University Development of a new Logistics Research Centre for Digital and Sustainable Transformation
- Establishing a Freeport Innovation Liaison Group (FILG)
- Commercialisation opportunities for low-carbon chemicals produced at Saltend and low carbon maritime refuelling at the Port of Hull
- Ground-breaking programme of port-specific innovation at AMEP

# Making Connections - Synergies and Opportunities

## Humber Freeport

- Sea port/estuary focus
- Driving innovation in decarbonisation and offshore wind
- Supporting SME's and large regional employers
- UK's busiest port complex including the four major ports of Hull, Goole, Immingham and Grimsby
- Links to European ports
- Net Zero ambitions
- Midlands Connect & Northern Powerhouse

## East Midlands Freeport

- Inland port
- Driving innovation in alternative energy sources and green technology
- Supporting SME's and large regional employers
- Region's international gateway for people and products
- Net Zero ambitions
- Midlands Connect and emerging East Midlands Development Corporation



# Wider Benefits for Greater Lincolnshire

- Over 7000 new jobs created
- Inward Investment
- Increased supply chain opportunities for SMEs
- Levelling up of our local communities
- Research and development opportunities - knowledge transfer and collaboration between business and academia
- Transformation of Place with new investment plans - road, rail, housing infrastructure brought together through alignment of funding and forging of partnerships

# Next Steps for Humber Freeport

- Development of full business case to MHCLG
- Governance - Company Limited by Guarantee
- Site level Agreements
- Building relationships with MHCLG, DIT and BEIS to ensure smooth transition and involvement of the Freeport
- Strengthening partnerships locally
- Engaging businesses, key stakeholders and communities
- Growth Hub and Team Lincolnshire events as the Freeport takes shape
- Aiming to be operational by November 2021
- Contact the LEP directly via Halina Davies LEP Programme Manager if you have any questions after the event  
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