



## **Overview and Scrutiny Committee Agenda**

**Wyre Borough Council**  
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**Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on Monday, 27 February  
2023 at 6.00 pm in the Committee Room 2 - Civic Centre**

**1. Apologies for absence**

**2. Declarations of interest**

To receive any declarations of interest from any councillor on any item on this agenda.

**3. Confirmation of minutes**

(Pages 3 - 6)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 16 January 2023.

**4. Review of the implementations of the recommendations of the  
Tourism Recovery in Wyre Task Group - one year on**

(Pages 7 - 12)

The Corporate Director Communities, Marianne Hesketh, has submitted an update report of the recommendations of the Tourism Recovery Task Group.

Emma Lyons, Communications and Visitor Economy Manager will attend the meeting to answer additional questions from members.

**5. Wyre Community Safety Partnership - annual scrutiny review**

(Pages 13 - 20)

Martin Wyatt, Wyre Neighbourhood Inspector, Neil Greenwood, Head of Environmental Health and Community Safety, and Councillor Roger Berry, Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder will attend the meeting to provide an update on the Wyre Community Safety Partnership.

**6. Business Plan 2022/23, Quarterly Performance Statement (Quarter 3: October - December)** (Pages 21 - 40)

The Corporate Director Communities, Marianne Hesketh, has submitted a report, the 3rd Quarter Performance Statement 2022/23, October – December 2022.

**7. Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23 – update report** (Pages 41 - 48)

The Corporate Director Resources, Clare James, has submitted a report updating the committee about the delivery of the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23. Marianne Unwin, Democratic Services Officer, will introduce the report and respond to questions and comments from councillors.



## Overview and Scrutiny Committee Minutes

The minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting of Wyre Borough Council held on Monday, 16 January 2023 at the Committee Room 2 - Civic Centre.

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**Overview and Scrutiny Committee members present:**

Councillors I Amos, Sir R Atkins, Cartridge, E Ellison, Fail, Ibison, Le Marinel, Longton and Matthew Vincent

**Apologies for absence:**

Councillors Ballard, Kay, O'Neill and Webster

**Failed to attend or tender apologies for absence**

Councillor Minto

**Other councillors present:**

Councillor Michael Vincent, Leader of the Council

**Officers present:**

Marianne Unwin, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager (Temporary)  
Garry Payne, Chief Executive

No members of the public or press attended the meeting.

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**32        Declarations of interest**

None.

**33        Confirmation of minutes**

The minutes for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on Monday 16 January 2023 were **approved** as a correct record.

**34        Refreshed Business Plan 2019 - 2023 (update 2023)**

The Corporate Director Communities, Marianne Hesketh, submitted a report on the Business Plan updated for 2023.

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Michael Vincent, and the Chief Executive, Garry Payne attended the meeting to present the report and responded to questions from committee members.

Councillor Michael Vincent explained to members that the Business Plan had been refreshed and reformatted. The format for the updated plan had changed to fit on a single page for ease of reading. He highlighted that several success measures, for example regarding tree planting and health, had been updated and improved.

He updated members that as this update was for 2023, there would be a further updated Business Plan for the consideration of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee following the May 2023 Local Government Elections.

Following a question regarding the value for money of the leisure centres in Wyre, Councillor Michael Vincent expressed the value that access to municipal leisure centres had on residents' health and wellbeing, however, he explained the cost of the increased subsidies especially owing to the current cost of energy.

Further questions were asked regarding the renewable heating of leisure centres and swimming pools, Councillor Michael Vincent reassured members that the on-going KKP Leisure Review would provide the council with realistic and affordable methods to protect the leisure centre's future. When available, the review would come before the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for consideration.

Members made additional comments and asked questions regarding:

- Measures for the reduction in education, skills and training, employment, income and health deprivation in Lower Layer Super Output Areas in Wyre
- An updated housing needs survey
- Energy efficiency standards in Wyre
- Measures for tree coverage across Wyre

After further discussions, the committee made the following proposals for the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council to consider regarding the updated Business Plan:

- That the following action "maximise commercial opportunities and deliver efficiencies" under the heading growth and prosperity be split and displayed as two separate bullet points.
- That the action regarding promoting the responsible use of Wyre's great outdoors under the environment and climate heading should also be reflected under the growth and prosperity heading.

Overall, members noted and welcomed the refreshed version of the Business Plan for 2023.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Michael Vincent and Garry Payne for their attendance and contributions.

### Internal Staff Covid-19 Task Force - structured debrief report

The Chief Executive, Garry Payne submitted a report which reviewed the council's internal Covid-19 response. He attended the meeting and introduced the report and its contents.

Garry Payne explained that he had recently completed a response for module one of the UK Covid-19 Inquiry.

Members asked questions regarding:

- Test and trace service
- Staff pressure and stress
- Management of communications from Senior Officers
- Costs to the council

Garry added that Wyre Council had been identified by the Lancashire Resilience Forum (LRF) as an example of best practice for communications during the pandemic. He added that a number of employees were reassigned and were involved in the council's prompt Covid-19 response. The council also received funding to be used to assist with the response to Covid-19, for example facilitating mobile vaccination clinics, particularly in areas with lower rates of vaccination uptake.

In response to questions regarding the report's next steps, Garry suggested that this internal review report be shared with the Lancashire Resilience Forum (LRF), which the committee supported.

### Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2021/22 – update report

The Corporate Director Resources, Clare James, submitted a report to update the committee about the delivery of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2022/23.

The Democratic Services Officer, Marianne Unwin, introduced the report. She provided a verbal update on the outcome of the recommendations of the Tackling Youth Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Task Group submitted to the meeting of Cabinet held on Wednesday 11 January 2023. She also provided a progress update of the first meeting of the Promotion of Self-Care and Social Prescribing in Wyre Task Group held on 12 January 2023.

The Chairman reminded members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee that they were invited to attend the annual Work Programme prioritisation workshop before the creation of the 2023/2024 Work Programme. The session would be held on Tuesday 7 February 2023 at 2 pm in the Member's Lounge.

Members **agreed** that the report be noted.

The meeting started at 6.02 pm and finished at 6.59 pm.

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## Tourism Recovery in Wyre task group – Update February 2023

Recommendations	Progress Update
<p>1. That the council concentrates on the promotion of Wyre as a tourist destination.</p>	<p>We have appointed a part-time marketing officer for tourism. This officer is responsible for all aspects of tourism promotion for Wyre. The communications and visitor economy team is now responsible for the social media accounts for Discover Wyre and regularly share posts about what's on in the area and what attractions we have. We have also launched our We are Wyre campaign to create an identity which outlines what Wyre is all about – beautiful coastlines, amazing countryside, family friendly, accessible and more. We have started to produce video reels to increase engagement on our Instagram profile.</p> <p>We have utilised the video and photography that we commissioned across our digital media and will use this in a range of print planned for next year.</p> <p>We have launched the new AR trail for Cleveleys and the festive trail for Fleetwood and will promote any further trails that are introduced.</p> <p>We are also working on a new visitor guide for Wyre and a printed range of itineraries for key attractions and things to do in Wyre around a number of themes e.g. family friendly activities, accessible Wyre, places to walk etc. Our great outdoors campaign, including the printed brochure and online events is also being promoted to encourage visitors to enjoy Wyre.</p> <p>We also continue to promote Wyre's visitor attractions including markets and theatres to increase visitor numbers.</p>
<p>2. That the Discover Wyre website be brought in-house.</p>	<p>This is complete.</p>
<p>3. That improvements be made to the Discover Wyre website and for it to concentrate on promoting the individual towns within the borough, ensuring all areas are covered equally.</p>	<p>The new Discover Wyre website is now live and we are able to update it as we wish.</p> <p>We have created a new <a href="#">What's on</a> area to showcase events across the borough plus our own Great Outdoors calendar, Garstang Walking Festival and Wyre's theatre shows.</p>

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	<p>We have created an area for each town and the itineraries we are putting together for print will also go in here. We now have events, attractions and things to do on the site and will keep adding to this.</p>
<p>4. To support the continuation of advertising local businesses on the Discover Wyre website and consider the feasibility of introducing an appropriate nominal fee (per annum) for businesses where they will receive more promotion.</p>	<p>We still have a lot of work to do to our own marketing of Wyre, however this is something that we will look into as part of a wider economy strategy for 2023/34.</p>
<p>5. That a digital marketing strategy for the council's various digital platforms be created, in order to benefit the wider tourism strategy. In addition, report the defined objectives of this strategy back to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p>	<p>This is incorporated into our Visitor Economy Plan.</p>
<p>6. That there is a continued collaborative working relationship between the Tourism, Events and Communication teams.</p>	<p>The new communications and visitor economy team has been in place since 1 December 2021. Together the team has put on a number of events for local people and visitors including the Queen's Jubilee, free theatres shows across Wyre, Creatival and events at Fleetwood Market.</p>
<p>7. That coach industries and businesses be invited back to Wyre to see what coach offer/packages Wyre can offer.</p>	<p>A familiarisation trip took place in October in Fleetwood. This was organised by Alex Holt who is now working in a new position as Heritage and Audience Development manager based at Marine Hall. This trip went well and was attended by coach companies from Wales, Yorkshire, Manchester and Birmingham.</p> <p>We have improved our database for coach tour operators and have an enewsletter which we use to keep in touch with them. We promoted the free parking in Cleveleys for coaches over summer and are now working with the engineering team to identify a new location for coaches to use in Cleveleys in 2023.</p>
<p>8. That the Garstang and Fleetwood Information Centres continue to be</p>	<p>We are reviewing our tourist information points across Wyre.</p>



<p>supported, especially as we emerge out of Covid-19 lockdowns.</p>	<p>Garstang tourist information is in the process of moving over to Garstang Library and we are reviewing the information on offer to ensure we have lots of print about the local area and what's on. This includes both our own print and leaflets from local businesses.</p> <p>We hope to open further tourist information points, including at Poulton train station as this was lost some time ago when work was done on the station.</p> <p>We are also installing digital screens in our towns. We have one in Cleveleys and a second screen to be fitted, one in Fleetwood and further screens to go up in Poulton and Garstang.</p>
<p>9. That the TV screens at the Garstang Information Centre and Fleetwood Information Centre (Marine Hall) be fixed.</p>	<p>The screens at Fleetwood are now fixed.</p> <p>The tourist information point at Garstang will include an interactive touch screen kiosk. This is being installed w/c 13 February.</p>
<p>10. To explore options that will enhance the Civic Centre, including the Members Lounge, to make it a more attractive venue for weddings and other events.</p>	<p>This action has not been progressed due to staffing capacity within the building maintenance team. It will be actioned during 23/24.</p>
<p>11. To explore the possibility of holding large outdoor-ticketed events to be held in areas such as Marine Hall Gardens, for example.</p>	<p>This year the communications and visitor economy team has run a number of events. These have been free to encourage footfall to our town centres as well as to reach out to our more rural communities.</p> <p>Events in 2022 included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Alice in Wonderland free theatre shows at the Mount gardens, Milenium Green in Garstang and Vicarage Community Centre in Poulton</li> <li>- Beacon lighting at the Mount in Fleetwood and the Jubilee Tea Party at the civic centre</li> <li>- Frozen free theatre shows in Vicarage Park, Poulton</li> <li>- Creatival – free arts and live music at Fleetwood Market and Cleveleys Plaza</li> <li>- Jubilee – Be Royal for the Day at Fleetwood Market including free carriage rides</li> </ul>

- Tram Sunday – we supported Spare Parts and introduced an event at Fleetwood Market including an inflatable bar to bring visitors down to the market
- Free Easter, Halloween and Christmas events at Fleetwood Market including mascot characters (dinosaurs, transformers and a large walk in snow globe), craft workshops, trails and more.
- Twitchy Witch Halloween free theatre show in Forton Village Hall and Hambleton Village Hall
- Older persons event – whilst this was targeted at residents it still brought many people into Poulton Town Centre on the day.

The team has also worked with the economic development team on the Wyre Business Awards, the Marine Hall team on the Food Festival in summer and the Christmas Festival and teams across the council on Heritage Open Days.

The team is also supporting the countryside team on Garstang Walking Festival and for the first time tickets will be on sale online. This will allow us to promote the event much further afield as people no longer have to call or visit the TIC to book. We hope to see increased visitor numbers this year. A launch event is being held on Saturday 15 April in Cherestanc square called Walk this way. We are also planning a special coronation walk as part of the festival to mark this historic occasion.

In 2023 the communications and visitor economy team, parks team and countryside team will work on an outdoor event for Wyre Estuary Country Park in the summer focusing around Love Parks Week or Big Green Week.

We will continue to enable and support events hosted by local event organisers across the borough and continue to chair and develop, LEON – the Local Event Organisers' Network.

We will also support town centre partnership boards in events they deliver through UKSPF.

The Theatres team has hosted, co-ordinated and managed many events outside of Marine Hall and in Marine Gardens over the last year.

	<p>These have included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Fylde Coast Food and Drink Festival in August - which has now expanded from one to two days.</li> <li>• The Fleetwood Festive Weekend in November, which includes the Fleetwood Christmas Lights Switch On and Lantern Parade, working in partnership with the Festive Lights Committee and Fleetwood Town Council. The event also launches the start of Santa's Grotto up at The Mount Pavilion, which runs through December. Santa's Grotto is a ticketed event which has proved very popular as a new annual Christmas event.</li> <li>• Over 3000 people attended the picnic celebrations held in Marine Gardens for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The event was organised by Fleetwood Rotary and Fleetwood Festive Light's committee, with support from Wyre Theatres, and was funded by Fleetwood Council.</li> <li>• Fleetwood Carnival also returned to Marine Gardens in June 2022, as a free community event.</li> </ul> <p>The Terrace area outside of Marine Hall is licensed and is now serviced by a new bar area that was developed in 2021. This area is enjoyed by many weddings that hire the venue, - for drinks and entertainment.</p> <p>Other ticketed events have taken part on The Garden Terrace over the last few years, including a small arts festival and a folk music event.</p> <p>Officers have recently been approached about staging a large event for the King's Coronation at Marine Hall and in Marine Gardens.</p>
<p>12. That the implementation of those recommendations agreed by Cabinet be reviewed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee after 12 months.</p>	<p>Completed.</p>

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## Annual Community Safety Report – 2022 – (January to December)

### SCOPE

Research and analysis for this document has been focused on the local priority areas and significant threats. Data has been obtained from Lancashire Constabulary systems from the period 00:00 hrs 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 through 23:59 hrs 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022. Data is as at 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Analysis is focused on the Wyre CSP Priorities, which are:

- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Violence against the person
- Domestic Abuse
- Substance Misuse – Alcohol
- Road Safety

### FINDINGS/SUMMARY

- Overall crime volumes have been stable, increasing by 0.3%.
- Violence against the person volumes have been stable, decreased by 0.7%.
- Domestic abuse has fallen by 5%.
- Alcohol related crime has increased by 11%.
- ASB has fallen by 25%, likely driven by the removal of Covid 19 restrictions in July 2021.

Lancashire Constabulary installed a new IT system on 27th November 2018. Please note that crime data obtained from police crime intelligence system is subject to change. From dip sampling it is believed there is an **underestimation** due to issues with quality assurance, geocoding and additional coding problems. The collection and extraction of incidents and anti-social behaviour data has remained unchanged.

## **Performance update**

*\*Data has been obtained from Lancashire Constabulary's investigation and incident recording systems Connect and Sleuth.*

	Jan - Dec 2021	Jan - Dec 2022	Difference	
Categories	Actuals	Actuals	Numeric	Percentage
All Crimes	7,319	7,338	19	0.3%
Violence Against The Person	3,307	3,283	-24	-0.7%
Theft	1,155	1,354	199	17.2%
Arson And Criminal Damage	916	807	-109	-11.9%
Public Order Offences	517	490	-27	-5.2%
Vehicle Offences	376	292	-84	-22.3%
Burglary	372	367	-5	-1.3%
Sexual Offences	258	281	23	8.9%
Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	184	185	1	0.5%
Drug Offences	140	168	28	20.0%
Possession Of Weapons	61	86	25	41.0%
Robbery	33	25	-8	-24.2%
Domestic Abuse	1,397	1,322	-75	-5.4%
Alcohol Related Crime	701	777	76	10.8%
Hate Crime	95	88	-7	-7.4%
ASB	4,472	2,945	-1527	-34.1%

In terms of overall crime levels they have increased by 0.3%, indicating that the crime levels have stabilised at pre pandemic levels as reported last year.

In terms of violence against the person there has been 0.7% decrease, of these offences, within this category there has been 10% reduction in serious violence against the person, there has been a 7% reduction in Domestic Assaults, but there has been a 45% increase in stalking related crime. In Wyre 17% of Violence against the person crimes across Wyre were alcohol related representing a 1% increase from last year, but in Pharos ward this increased 22% indicating that alcohol played a significant part of the problem in Pharos ward. Finally when looking at offences of assault, rather than all violent crime, 12% (230/1927) of assaults were alcohol related.

Unfortunately there has been a 20% increase in drug offences and a 40% increase in the possession of weapons reported as compared to last year, however this is in part due to focused work being undertaken by the constabulary aimed at disrupting organised crime. This has meant there has been an increase

in warrants to search properties of interest within the Borough, which has revealed an increase in the possession of weapons offenses being detected. This ongoing focus is seen as an important aspect of reducing violence within the Borough by taking these weapons out of the system. It is also worth highlighting that these weapons can be handed in anomalously by placing in the knife bin located on London Street in Fleetwood.

Domestic abuse is 2% less than last year but still represents 22% of all crime reported and remains a priority for the partnership. Alcohol related crimes has also increased by 10.8% on the previous year indicating that the consumption of alcohol remains a significant causal factor. In respects to Domestic abuse 21% of Domestic abuse assaults with injury were alcohol related.

There has been an overall 34% reduction in anti-social behaviour reported over the course of 2022 representing a reduction of 1527 reported incidents. This has been repeated across all of Lancashire with a reduction in the region of a quarter to a third which has been attributed to all covid 19 restrictions coming to an end in August 2021.

## **Wyre Council - Community Safety Partnership Work 2022**

### **Anti Social Behaviour**

1. As reported in 2022 Wyre Council continues to hold and co-ordinate regular ASB meetings where partners from across the community safety sector meet to discuss individuals and locations involved in anti-social behaviour.

- Youth ASB –
- Location Based ASB –
- Adult ASB

Anti-social behaviour covers a wide realm of behaviours and a number of different agencies have an input into this area of work. The multi-agency meetings allow partners to discuss cases causing issues in our community which an individual agency is struggling to resolve. Often the individuals concerned are already being dealt with by other agencies. The meetings allow for a joined up approach to resolving the issue making use of all the public sectors resources. The operation of the various multi agency groups remains as reported in the previous year and is still seen as important control mechanism.

In the case of Youth ASB, during 2022 the Councils Overview and Scrutiny committee undertook a deep delve into how the community safety partnership works together to address Youth Anti-Social behaviour. A report has subsequently been produced by the committee and the recommendations of the report will be reported at the next Community Safety meeting with a view to implementing the recommendations made.

In last year's report the Pan Lancashire violence reduction network had recognised Fleetwood as a hot spot area where children were being exploited for criminal purposes. Part of the networks response was to undertake a year long pilot working with schools in the area to identify children displaying behaviours likely to escalate into anti-social behaviour if left unchecked, before they do, and put in place a support package to try and change those behaviours and consequently reduce anti-social behaviour. To achieve this a Multi-Agency Support Partnership (MASP) was set up in Fleetwood and although early days is already seen as a model that could be adopted in other areas.

Practically one of the major findings of the pilot here in Fleetwood was the value of youth champions program which had been commissioned by the Violence reduction network. These Youth Champions program provide ongoing mentoring to children identified by the MASP. The work of the MASP partnership has also identified a gap in the system in that the parents of the children identified often need support and mentoring themselves. Whilst there is no funding available at present to extend the youth champions program in this way it remains an ambition when funding allows.

When considering anti-social behaviour there is always a tendency to focus on youth related anti-social behaviour, but of the 2945 anti-social behaviour incidents reported only 309 were youth related representing only 22% of the total reports. Therefore the vast majority of anti-social behaviour is committed by adults and a significant proportion of those will be the result of inter neighbour disputes. Where an inter neighbour dispute occurs they tend to be long running lasting a long periods of time, and are often never fully resolved. They often result in both parties complaining about the behaviour of the other and therefore each dispute can result in numerous reports. As a result inter neighbour disputes are very time consuming for both the police and Wyre Council and they can easily escalate into more serious offences.

These disputes are also very damaging to the mental health of the individuals involved as they often spend significant periods of time obsessing about their dispute. During the pandemic there appeared to be an increase in the impact of these disputes, possibly because opportunities for respite were reduced during this period. Therefore during the summer of 2022 Wyre Council utilised COMF (Covid 19 funding) to procure and appoint an independent mediation firm to undertake mediation in ten of the most challenging inter-neighbour disputes within Wyre. In addition this firm will be used to train and upskill our own workforce to continue to offer mediation to resolve issues in the community. It is hoped that by offering mediation we will be able to reduce demand on both Wyre Council and the Police by bringing about early and effective resolution to the cases of ASB.



## **2. Domestic Violence –**

In last year report overview and scrutiny were informed that a domestic homicide review had been undertaken during the course of the previous year and a report had been produced and submitted to the Home office. The report eventually satisfied quality assurance checks but was not published in full, due to the wishes of the family. Nevertheless the action from the report have been actioned by all the agencies involved. There has since been a further domestic homicide which the Community Safety Partnership have agreed to review. In this case the review has been paused whilst criminal proceedings are investigated.

In Wyre Domestic violence has reduced over the last 12 months by 2% however there was still 1322 offences representing 22% of all crime, therefore we will continue utilising the no excuse for abuse campaign material to raise awareness of the crime.

Wyre Council along with other local authorities continue to make an annual financial contribution towards Victim Support and receives from them quarterly reports as to the number of Wyre residents receiving support and the extent of such support. This information is then passed on to the Councils Overview and Scrutiny Committee and is available for the CSP.

Lancashire County Council during the course of 2022 commissioned the delivery relationship presentations within secondary school students which is now being implemented. It is hoped that by doing this work we can start to make domestic abuse even more socially unacceptable as drink driving.

## **3. Violence Reduction / Alcohol related crime**

I reported last year that during 2022 it was likely that the government would introduce a new statutory duty to reduce serious violence. This has now been introduced and in the last quarter guidance has been received on how the duty will be implemented providing a timescale for action and puts prevention of violence on an equal footing. It supports the view that violence and its reduction needs to be treated as a public health function.

Lancashire has been fortunate in that the Home Office has supported a violence reduction network in this area for several years. As a result a pan Lancashire violence reduction strategy and needs assessment has already been completed for the area. However the guidance also requires community safety partnerships to address this issue.

As reported last year a strategic assessment and a District profile was undertaken and this has high-lighted that Pharos ward in Fleetwood has a higher proportion of violent crime than other wards within the Borough.

During the course of 2023 Wyre Community Safety partnership will need to produce an action plan on how they intend to contribute to this new statutory

duty. It is however fair to say that many of the actions already being undertaken by the partnership will formulate that action plan and work has already started on this task.

It has been reported that alcohol continues to play a significant part in violent crime and therefore the Community Safety Partnership introduced a Community Alcohol Partnership (CAP) within the Town of Fleetwood as a means of tackling increasing concerns about the number of young people (particularly those under the age of 18yrs) consuming alcohol on a regular basis, often in public places, which significantly increases their risk of harm and exploitation and increases the impact of their behaviour on the local community. The co-ordination of the CAP will be identified as an action within the Violence Reduction Action Plan but will in itself generate its own specific action plan.

#### **4 Road Safety**

During the course of 2022 Wyre Council started to formulate a project working with partners specifically the Police and the Fire and Rescue Service to initially identify a co-hort of individuals involved in vehicle related anti-social behaviour. Fire and Rescue Service would then deliver the wasted lives program to this co-hort. It is hoped that the hard hitting wasted lives program will impact on the behaviour of the identified co-hort and subsequently improve road safety for other users.

- 5. CCTV –** During the course of 2022 a business case was developed to replace the ageing analogue CCTV cameras to digital CCTV cameras. As a result we were able to procure an independent Consultant to consider the entire CCTV system and produce a bronze, silver and gold option for the replacement of the cameras. This report has been produced and a decision will be made on the future of the CCTV system.

In preparation the project has been included in the UK SPF fund which should provide significant funding to enable the project to go ahead.

It is hoped that the project will be agreed and implemented within the calendar year of 2023 but is reliant on sufficient funding being available to complete the entire project.

- 6. New Statutory duties –** It is likely that a new statutory duty will be introduced during the course of the Parliament placing an explicit duty on Public Bodies to protect the public from Terrorist attack known as Martins Law following the Manchester Arena attack.

This duty is heavily linked to the Prevent duty that was introduced in 2015 which places a duty on Local Authorities and other agencies to identify

individuals at risk of being radicalised and intervening before they have undertaken terrorist activity.

The Protect duty is about identifying high risk sites and mitigating the risk as far as possible. Whilst Lancashire Local authorities have been working with police colleagues for some time, it is likely that the way we currently undertake this role may be amended in the future.

### **Other Community Safety Work awareness raising Communication campaigns**

7. In the run up to Christmas the team engaged with the Councils Communications team to develop a social media campaign around, "Have you forgotten something." Which was aimed at reminding people to lock up their belongings, with the aim of discouraging opportunistic burglaries. At the same time Wyre Council Licensing team paid for a trained drug detector dog to visit with the assistance of police colleagues all licensed premises in Poulton and Fleetwood. This action received support from the licensing trade and members of the public alike and is something that the partnership will endeavour to repeat.

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Report of:	Meeting	Date
Marianne Hesketh, Corporate Director Communities	Overview & Scrutiny	27 February 2023

<p align="center"><b>Council Business Plan – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Performance Statement 2022/23</b></p> <p align="center"><b>October – December 2022</b></p>
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## 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The dashboard style report (attached) gives a quick reference to quarterly progress against the council's business plan projects and measures, along with commentary where issues have been identified.

## 2. Project Updates

- 2.1 There are 18 Business Plan projects split between the three ambitions within the Business Plan – Economy, People and Place.

- 2.2 Whilst the majority of projects are on track, there are 4 showing Amber with minor issues.

- 2.2.1 A summary of those with minor issues (Amber) are shown below:

- **Support business growth at the Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone (EZ)** - The Council continues to support the work of the EZ Board, providing a strategic direction for the EZ through regular meetings with key stakeholders. In addition the Council supports the work of NPL Ltd in facilitating a Hydrogen Steering Group for the EZ. A programme for the commission of technical studies and update of the masterplan was delayed at the request of NPL Ltd. Agreeing a programme will be revisited in Q4.
- **Continue to support town centre recovery through the town centre strategy fund and explore investment and sustainable development opportunities for our key town centres -**  
 Cleveleys: Briefing and site visit completed by designated expert from High Street Task Force, workshop for the Board focusing on partnership working booked for January. Transport Study in progress with initial options for pedestrian priority on Victoria Rd West, Bus facilities and car parking were presented to the working group late December.

Fleetwood: Regeneration Framework published for comment in December and the document will be considered for adoption by Cabinet 11 January.

Garstang: working group formed for the development of a Town Centre Study which focuses on improvements to the High Street and assessment of car parking provision, final scope of the study to be agreed in January.

UK Shared Prosperity Fund: UKSPF agreement received late December and return of further information to DLUHC completed for 23 December. The considerable delay in approving the plan (also a UK-wide issue) means that significant re-profiling of spend and a request to change delivery plans is required. Further information regarding the requirements of DLUHC has/continues to delay aspects of delivery and commissioning. (Amber rating for PEC3 as a result of these issues).

- **Relaunch our Wyred Up network to proactively support sustainable business recovery following the pandemic and to encourage and support businesses to reduce their carbon footprint** - Given an amber rating as the Health & Wellbeing event due to take place in October 2022 was postponed due to the unavailability of speakers as well as the impact that the communication ban due to death of Her Majesty The Queen had on promotional activity. ED Team continuing to send out regular newsletters highlighting support services, news etc. - current campaign theme of digital skills. Next in-person event due to be held 18th January 2023 at the Civic Centre, featuring guest speakers with a focus on digital skills.
- **Deliver the Wyre Beach Management Scheme to protect homes from coastal flooding** - The Project Manager has instructed the commencement of the site compound and ancillary enablement works to commence on 5th September. This will allow the construction works to commence at the start of March 2023. The scheme has been delayed by 12 months due to MMO licence application for the temporary storage of rock on the beach for the initial scheme. Costs for the compound works have risen by approximately 33% due to material inflation and fuel costs. Meetings with the MMO have been arranged to determine how their requirements can be satisfied.

### 3. Performance Updates

- 3.1 In total there are 24 measures to be reported on however some of these (8) do not have data available as they are either annual or bi-annual collection so have not been included.
- 3.2 Of the 16 Measures included on the report, 9 have a Green status, 4 Amber and 3 Red.

**3.2.1** Further information regarding those showing as Amber are set out below.

- **% of fledgling businesses surviving - 18 months** - Target set as Lancashire average. Data source: BankSearch Consultancy Ltd (data correct as at November 2022)
- **Number of annual visits to our leisure centres** – We are working closely with Fylde Coast YMCA to help them recover and build their attendances back post pandemic. The attendances are steadily increasing but other factors such as the cost of living crisis are coming into play, which is adversely affecting the numbers of people attending.
- **Number of memberships at our leisure centre** - We are working closely with Fylde Coast YMCA to help them recover and build their membership base post pandemic. They have dropped their monthly direct debit price to £25, which is proving popular. They have offered promotions twice this year to help increase their DD's, which has been effective. Annual upfront memberships have declined significantly this year, which is being affected by the cost of living crisis.
- **Satisfaction with keeping public land free from litter** - These figures have been obtained through the bi annual life in wyre surveys. The targets were never set in stone with it being a perception survey and % tend to be small.

**3.2.2** Further information regarding those showing as Red are set out below.

- **Number of jobs created within the Enterprise Zone** - Ongoing target of 137 jobs to be created between Aug 2020 - Apr 2026 (137 jobs / 67 months in the period = 2 x 3 months per quarter = 6 jobs per quarter target). Although no jobs created this quarter, 105 jobs have been created to date which is still ahead of target. From discussions at recent Hillhouse EZ Board meetings, the larger organisations on site (e.g. Victrex, Addisons) are currently recruiting, but are still working to get back to pre-Covid staffing levels.
- **Increase footfall to town centres** - In late 2022, the Economic Development Team sourced a new, more cost-effective and accurate supplier of town centre footfall data. The new provider (Huq Industries) are working with different data sources than previous contractor (Visitor Insights). Previous data provider used third party data sources, whereas Huq use first party data (what this essentially means is VI buy in location data from undisclosed sources, so there is very little consistency and very little control over the quality of the data used). Huq have been collecting first party data for the last number of years, which means they have a more consistent data stream with complete control over what is collected and how it's processed. Some footfall methodologies can grossly overestimate footfall volumes through their modelling, our new contractors provide an indication of the number of unique visitors to the area on a daily basis and aim to provide a more accurate representation. Unfortunately footfall is often very inflated

across other data collection methodologies so it was always likely we'd see some big differences in volumes between the two. Ultimately, we can expect to see more consistency in next quarter when we're comparing data like-for-like.

- **Number of public electric charging points** - The first three chargers (six charge points) on Custom House Lane and Thornton Little Theatre were due to go live before Christmas; issues with commissioning the units meant that they did not. They are now expected to go live during January. The main delaying factor is getting ENWL to make a connection to the mains supply – some have been given an expected connection date, while others are still awaiting one. Therefore it is expected that five charging units will go live during January 2023 and a further 18 by March 2023.

Financial and legal implications	
Finance	<i>There are no financial implications.</i>
Legal	<i>There are no legal implications.</i>

### Other risks/implications: checklist

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a ✓ below, the report author will have consulted with the appropriate specialist officers on those implications and addressed them in the body of the report. There are no significant implications arising directly from this report, for those issues marked with a x.

risks/implications	✓ / x
community safety	x
equality and diversity	x
sustainability	x
health and safety	x

risks/implications	✓ / x
asset management	x
climate change	x
ICT	x
data protection	x

### Processing Personal Data

In addition to considering data protection along with the other risks/ implications, the report author will need to decide if a 'privacy impact assessment (PIA)' is also required. If the decision(s) recommended in this report will result in the collection and processing of personal data for the first time (i.e. purchase of a new system, a new working arrangement with a third party) a PIA will need to have been completed and signed off by Data Protection Officer before the decision is taken in compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018.

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List of background papers:		
name of document	date	where available for inspection
None		




**List of appendices**

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# BUSINESS PLAN 2022-2023 QUARTER 3

Key Projects	
	On schedule/target;
	Minor issues
	Major issues/Not Started

Key Measures	
	Improving or in line with expectations
	No significant change or comparable data unavailable
	Worsening












## Economy





## People



## Place

Projects	
Support business growth at the Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone.	
Collaborate with our Lancashire partners to develop joint working arrangements with a focus on economic growth, skills and tackling climate change.	
Continue to support town centre recovery through the town centre strategy fund and explore investment and sustainable development opportunities for our key town centres.	
Explore investment opportunities for our key council assets.	
Relaunch our Wyred Up network to proactively support sustainable business recovery following the pandemic and to encourage and support businesses to reduce their carbon footprint.	
Measures	
Number of jobs created within the Enterprise Zone	
Total visits to town centres	
Town centre vacancy rates	
% of fledgling businesses surviving - 18 months	

Projects	
Agree and develop a long term strategy for sustainable leisure and wellbeing provision across Wyre.	
Deliver a programme of work to promote healthy choices and healthier lifestyles to keep people well.	
Work with partners to deliver the holiday activity programme for our young people.	
Relaunch our Digital Wyre Strategy ensuring customers have easy access to our services and that we embrace the opportunities new technologies bring.	
Collaborate with partners to improve community energy consumption through retrofitting houses and supporting district heating projects.	
Develop a campaign to raise awareness and encourage behavioural change amongst residents to support climate change projects/initiatives.	
Measures	
Number of annual visits to our leisure centres	
Number of memberships at our leisure centre	
Number of volunteer hours	
Number of children engaged with holiday activities	
Number of residents registered for My Wyre account	
Number of domestic energy measures installed under Cosy Homes in Lancashire, via Green Homes Grants and other Government Schemes.	
Number of residents engaged with behavioural change campaigns using digital and non-digital channels	

Projects	
Work with others to deliver our action plan to reduce the effect of climate change on our borough including the carbon footprint of all council activities and assets.	
Promote activity to support our residents to reduce waste, increase reuse and recycling, and implement environmental initiatives to help achieve a sustainable environment.	
Complete the partial review of the Wyre Local Plan 2011-2031 and commence a full review.	
Deliver the Wyre Beach Management Scheme to protect homes from coastal flooding.	
Facilitate and support the improvement, biodiversity, accessibility and use of our parks and open spaces.	
Support the Turning Tides Partnership in the ambition to achieve a blue flag coast that is free from plastic pollution.	
Lead on and support natural flood management projects.	
Measures	
Number of public electric charging points	
Number of trees planted	
Reduction in fly tipping reported	
Satisfaction with our parks and open spaces	
Satisfaction with keeping public land free from litter	

### Comments and issues regarding measures with a RED status

#### Number of jobs created within the Enterprise Zone –

Target of 137 jobs to be created Aug 2020 - Apr 2026 (137 jobs /67 months in the period = 2 x 3 months per quarter = 6 jobs per quarter). From discussions at recent Hillhouse EZ Board meetings, the larger organisations on site (e.g. Victrex, Addisons) are currently recruiting, but are still working to get back to pre-Covid staffing levels.

#### Total visits to town centres

New data supplier (Huq Industries) procured Q2 2022. Updated data collection methods, plus town centre boundaries reviewed, hence discrepancy between figures from Q2 onwards and figures previously reported. Target set as figure from previous quarter.

#### Number of public electric charging points –

The first three chargers (six chargepoints) on Custom House Lane and Thornton Little Theatre were due to go live before Christmas; issues with commissioning the units meant that they did not. They are now expected to go live this month. It is expected that five charging units are due to go live during January 2023 and a further 18 by March 2023.

Please note there are a number of projects for which data is collated annually / bi-annually and have therefore not been included within this report but which should be available to report in quarter four.

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Economy Projects				
Ref and Title	Project Manager	Q1, April - June 2022	Q2, July - September 2022	Q3, October - Dec 2022
PEC1 - Status		Amber	Amber	Amber
Support business growth at the Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone	Mark Fenton	<p>The Council continues to support the work of the EZ Board, providing a strategic direction for the EZ through regular meetings with key stakeholders. In addition the Council supports the work of NPL Ltd in facilitating a Hydrogen Steering Group for the EZ.</p> <p>A draft cabinet report has been prepared to request the release of funding from the Enterprise Zone Business Rates Growth Reserve for the commission of technical studies and update of the masterplan</p> <p>Amber rating as business growth (as measured by NNDR retained) is relatively unchanged at present.</p>	<p>The Council continues to support the work of the EZ Board, providing a strategic direction for the EZ through regular meetings with key stakeholders. In addition the Council supports the work of NPL Ltd in facilitating a Hydrogen Steering Group for the EZ.</p> <p>Release of funding from the Enterprise Zone Business Rates Growth Reserve for the commission of technical studies and update of the masterplan was approved 8 September and a programme for the work is to be agreed in Q3.</p> <p>Amber rating as business growth (as measured by NNDR retained) is not revised during the year.</p>	<p>The Council continues to support the work of the EZ Board, providing a strategic direction for the EZ through regular meetings with key stakeholders. In addition the Council supports the work of NPL Ltd in facilitating a Hydrogen Steering Group for the EZ.</p> <p>A programme for the commission of technical studies and update of the masterplan was delayed at the request of NPL Ltd. Agreeing a programme will be revisited in Q4.</p>
PEC2 - Status		Green	Green	Green
Collaborate with our Lancashire partners to develop joint working arrangements with a focus on economic growth, skills and tackling climate change.	Marianne Hesketh	<p>The Corporate Director Communities is part of the Lancashire 2050 strategic plan working group and continues to help support this strategic piece of work going forward. The Chief Executive is going to lead the housing theme, Members will be kept up to date on progress with the Lancashire Strategic Plan.</p>	<p>A workshop was held of Lancashire leaders to focus on the Lancashire 2050 plan. Work continues on developing the vision, ambition and eight priority areas - Economic Prosperity, Transport and Infrastructure, Housing, Health and Wellbeing, Environment and Climate, Education and Early Years, Employment and Skills and Communities and Place.</p>	<p>The Lancashire 2050 Plan was formally launched on 23rd November 2022 at an event held at Apeakers House, Westminster.</p>
PEC3 - Status		Green	Green	Amber
Continue to support town centre recovery through the town centre strategy fund and explore investment and sustainable development opportunities for our key town centres	Mark Fenton	<p>Garstang: Town Centre Regeneration Framework adopted by Council 1 June.</p> <p>Cleveleys: final draft of the Town Centre Regeneration Framework report to be published for public comment mid July.</p> <p>Future Fleetwood: feedback on the draft Town Centre Regeneration Framework report - sessions with officers have been undertaken and comments from the board are to be confirmed at their July meeting.</p> <p>Development of Investment Plan for UK Shared Prosperity Fund is in progress. Town centre recovery projects, shortlisted from the regeneration frameworks, have been shortlisted for funding.</p>	<p>Cleveleys: Town Centre Regeneration Framework adopted by Council 8 September. The High Streets Task Force visited Cleveleys on 26th July to undertake an Unlocking Your Place Potential diagnostic visit. Their recommendations have been received and the scope of further expert advice is to be agreed in November.</p> <p>Fleetwood: report updated and to be reviewed by CMT.</p> <p>UK Shared Prosperity Fund: Investment Plan submitted 1 August which included recovery projects for each town centre. Approval of the plan is anticipated in October.</p>	<p>Cleveleys: Briefing and site visit completed by designated expert from High Street Task Force, workshop for the Board focusing on partnership working booked for January. Transport Study in progress with initial options for pedestrian priority on Victoria Rd West, Bus facilities and car parking were presented to the working group late December.</p> <p>Fleetwood: Regeneration Framework published for comment in December and the document will be considered for adoption by Cabinet 11 January.</p> <p>Garstang: working group formed for the development of a Town Centre Study which focuses on improvements to the High Street and assessment of car parking provision, final scope of the study to be agreed in January.</p> <p>UK Shared Prosperity Fund: UKSPF agreement received late December and return of further information to DLUHC completed for 23 December. The considerable delay in approving the plan (also a UK-wide issue) means that significant reprofiling of spend and a request to change delivery plans is required. Further information regarding the requirements of DLUHC has/continues to delay aspects of delivery and commissioning. (Amber rating for PEC3 as a result of these issues).</p>
PEC4 - Status		Green	Green	Green
Explore investment opportunities for our key council assets	CMT	<p>Bourne Hill sale successfully completed in May 2022. Acquisition of Project Neptune has entered into pre-completion stage with preparation of legal documents in readiness for contract exchange and raising a snagging list.</p>	<p>The Resources Portfolio Holder approved the provision of two changing places facilities one within Fleetwood to compliment the beach wheelchair project and the second at Wye Estuary Country Park. Work on the Fleetwood project is due to be completed this year.</p> <p>Project Neptune completed 9 August 2022. The council can now work to secure tenants for the 11 industrial units.</p>	<p>A report was approved by full council on 27 October 2022 to enable significant improvement works to Fleetwood Market. This includes the main hall slate roof windows and doors. The main contractor, Parkinsons has been appointed to undertake the work which starts in January 2023.</p>
PEC5 - Status		Green	Green	Amber

Relaunch our Wyred Up network to proactively support sustainable business recovery following the pandemic and to encourage and support businesses to reduce their carbon footprint	Colm Healy	Survey to ascertain what support local businesses required went live in Q1, reasonable response received. Continuing to forge links with Partner Organisations (e.g. NW Lancs Chamber, Boost, Lancashire etc.). Economic Development Team continuously working on increasing membership, through social media channels etc. Relaunch event (including speakers relating to current Low Carbon Campaign) due to take place during Q2.	First in-person event held at Myerscough College in July. Focus was on how local businesses can reduce their carbon footprint, featuring speakers from Lancaster University, Myerscough College, NPL Estates & Wyre Council. Feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive. Next quarterly campaign to focus on workplace health & wellbeing.	Amber rating as the Health & Wellbeing event due to take place in October 2022 was postponed due to unavailablilty of speakers as well as the impact that the communication ban due to death of Her Majesty The Queen had on promotional activity. ED Team continuing to send out regular newsletters highlighting support services, news etc - current campaign theme of digital skills. Next in-person event due to be held 18th January 2023 at the Civic Centre, featuring guest speakers with a focus on digital skills.
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Economy Measures		Reportee	Q1, April - June 2022			Q2, July - September 2022			Q3, October - Dec 2022			Commentary
			Target	Actual	Cumulative	Target	Actual	Cumulative	Target	Actual	Cumulative	
MEC1	Number of jobs created within the Enterprise Zone	Colm Healy	6	0	105	6	0	105	6	0	105	Target of 137 jobs to be created Aug 2020 - Apr 2026 (137 jobs /67 months in the period = 2 x 3 months per quarter = 6 jobs per quarter). From discussions at recent Hillhouse EZ Board meetings, the larger organisations on site (e.g Victrex, Addisons) are currently recruiting, but are still working to get back to pre-Covid staffing levels.
MEC2	£M investments to Wyre from County Deal	Marianne Hesketh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No progress has been made on the County Deal so is unlikely to deliver any investments to Wyre this financial year.
MEC3.1	Increase footfall to town centres  Total visits to town centres * Fleetwood * Cleveleys * Poulton * Garstang	Colm Healy	1.8m	2,061,205	2,061,205	N/A	292,314	2,353,519	292k	241,298	2,594,817	In late 2022, the Economic Development Team sourced a new, more cost-effective and accurate supplier of town centre footfall data. The new provider (Huq Industries) are working with different data sources than previous contractor (Visitor Insights). Previous data provider used third party data sources, whereas Huq use first party data (what this essentially means is VI buy in location data from undisclosed sources, so there is very little consistency and very little control over the quality of the data used). Huq have been collecting first party data for the last number of years, which means they have a more consistent datastream with complete control over what is collected and how it's processed. Some footfall methodologies can grossly overestimate footfall volumes through their modelling, our new contractors provide an indication of the number of unique visitors to the area on a daily basis and aim to provide a more accurate representation. Unfortunately footfall is often very inflated across other data collection methodologies so it was always likely we'd see some big differences in volumes between the two. Ultimately, we can expect to see more consistency in next quarter when we're comparing data like-for-like.
			2.4m	2,661,837	2,661,837	N/A	417,052	3,078,889	417k	451,850	3,530,739	
			1.4m	1,497,834	1,497,834	N/A	289,935	1,787,769	290k	236,233	2,024,002	
			900k	1,214,073	1,214,073	N/A	247,952	1,462,025	248k	193,647	1,655,672	
MEC3.2	Reduce town centre vacancy rates  Town centre vacancy rates * Fleetwood * Cleveleys * Thornton * Poulton * Garstang	Colm Healy	11.80%	8.33%		12.40%	8.33%		12.40%	8.33%		Total vacancy rate for 7 town centres monitored (Fleetwood, Cleveleys, Poulton, Garstang, Thornton, Knott-End, Great Eccleston). Last vacancy rate survey took place July 2022, next monitoring due late January 2023. Target set as most recent vacancy rate for North West area.
			11.80%	12.55%		12.40%	12.55%		12.40%	12.55%		Target set as most recent vacancy rate for North West area
			11.80%	8.31%		12.40%	8.31%		12.40%	8.31%		Target set as most recent vacancy rate for North West area
			11.80%	3.77%		12.40%	3.77%		12.40%	3.77%		Target set as most recent vacancy rate for North West area
			11.80%	8.72%		12.40%	8.72%		12.40%	8.72%		Target set as most recent vacancy rate for North West area
			11.80%	7.01%		12.40%	7.01%		12.40%	7.01%		Target set as most recent vacancy rate for North West area
MEC3.3	% of fledgling businesses surviving - 18 months	Colm Healy	72%	82%		71%	65.00%		72%	68.00%		Target set as Lancashire average. Data source: BankSearch Consultancy Ltd (data correct as at November 2022)
MEC3.4	Number of Visitors to the borough each year	Emma Lyons										The model used is STEAM (Volume and Value of Tourism) it always works one year behind. Therefore 2021 data which has just been received will be reported in Quarter 4.
MEC5	Business rate collection target 97%	Marie Buckley										This figure is reported annually as collection rates are affected by the recovery timetable, depending when our court dates are scheduled etc.
MEC5	Council tax collection target 97%	Marie Buckley										
Key												
	Achieving/Exceeding target											
	Within 10% of achieving target											
	Below target (more than 10%)											

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People Projects		Q1, April - June 2022	Q2, July - September 2022	Q3, October - Dec 2022
PPE1 - Status Agree and develop a long term strategy for sustainable leisure and wellbeing provision across Wyre	Carol Southern	<p>Green</p> <p>The draft Leisure strategy is currently being finalised and will be presented to CMT in early July. The Wyre Moving More board and the three sub groups have met during this quarter and draft objectives and governance documents have been circulated to the groups and board for comment. There will be a draft Wyre Moving More strategy in July. The Wyre Leisure Masterplan will then be formulated after the strategy documents have been written and agreed.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>We have draft strategies for both leisure and physical activity, which are being reviewed currently internally. The Leisure Consultants, KKP are starting to work on the Leisure Masterplan, while we finalise the strategies.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>We have draft strategies for both leisure and physical activity, which are being reviewed currently internally. The Leisure Consultants, KKP are working on the Leisure Masterplan, while we finalise the strategies.</p>
PPE2 - Status	Mark Broadhurst Carol Southern	<p>Green</p> <p>Wyre Great Outdoor Programme promotes the health and wellbeing activities including social rides and wellbeing through nature. The Wyre adult weight management continues to grow successfully as we now work with four partners to deliver programmes to support adults who want to lose weight and maintain the weight loss. The PASTA children's weight management programme has also worked in two primary schools in the Fleetwood area to provide fun physical activities and cooking sessions with 10 families. The feedback has been excellent from the families. Wyre Wheels continues to attract over 20 participants each week at Memorial Park. Arts and Health activities have also taken place at Knott End and Cleveleys libraries, as well as Over Wyre Medical centre. Digital inclusion sessions were also delivered with the Torrentum social prescribing team.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The Wyre Great Outdoor Programme delivered health and wellbeing activities including seasonal gardening workshops , weekly gardening clubs, wheels for all rides and wellbeing walks. We have launched 2 new physical activity sessions in Cleveleys and Fleetwood for people who are inactive. We continue to support Fylde Coast YMCA to provide some low impact exercise sessions at Thornton YMCA, which are well attended. 'Craft and Chat' has now started up weekly at Thornton Library, Thursday mornings 10am – 12pm and is going really well. A Just Reminiscing session was held at Cleveleys Library and was well attended by about 15 local residents who spent time looking at the artefacts and decades scrapbooks. 'Creative Wellbeing', our new 8 week arts for positive mental health has begun at the Market House Studios. This runs every Thursday morning 10am – 1pm and is now fully booked with 8 participants who all thoroughly enjoyed the first session on 29th September.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The PASTA programme and the Wyre weight management programmes have both been extended for a further 12 months, until March 2024. The Weight Management programme, provided by Slimming World has enabled 511 Wyre residents to start their weight loss journey, on average 67.5% have completed the programme and the average weight loss is over 14lbs in 12 weeks, a great result! Wyre Sports Awards - The awards are back for the first time in 3 years, in partnership with Active Lancashire. The awards recognise individuals and clubs who have made a real difference in our communities to help people become more physically active or take up sport. We had over 30 applications for the different awards, with much competition in the categories. TRY Sport continues to support young people to access free activity sessions across Wyre. There are 7 sessions available each week with over 3,000 visits to sessions so far this year.</p> <p>Wyre Wheels has had a really successful year with over 177 unique people attending the sessions in Memorial Park, Fleetwood. The programme ran from March - October 2022 and there were 542 visits by people with disabilities. We have also supported LPM Dance to provide their inclusive dance sessions, one for people with Parkinsons Disease and one for people with Learning Disabilities. Over 130 visits took place by local people and their carers.</p>
PPE3 - Status	Carol Southern	<p>Green</p> <p>The Wyre Holiday Activity Programme (HAF) for Easter was delivered over four days at Easter. There were 12 clubs provided across Wyre by eight different providers. The sessions included a variety of fun activities alongside a nutritious meal each day. Activities included arts and crafts, yoga and mindfulness, forest school, slime making, swimming, dodgeball, rounders, archery and kayaking.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The Wyre Holiday Activity Programme (HAF) for Summer was delivered over the 6 week holiday period with children able to attend a maximum of 16 sessions. There were 16 clubs provided across Wyre by 9 different providers. The sessions included a variety of fun activities alongside a nutritious meal each day. Activities included arts and crafts, yoga and mindfulness, forest school, slime making, swimming, dodgeball, rounders, archery and kayaking. There were 3,876 bookings made for our summer programme and 3,408 attendances, which equates to 87% attendance, which we are happy with.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The HAF programme was delivered over 4 days, 19-22nd December. There were 9 clubs/activity offers provided across Wyre by 5 different providers. There were approx 600 bookings for the Christmas HAF clubs. Highlights of the provision included a touring pantomime, a hot meal for each child on most of the clubs and a Christmas goodie bag for each child that attended.</p>
PPE4 - Status	Lee Brophy	<p>Green</p> <p>The new Digital Strategy and the ICT Strategy were approved at CMT. The Digital Transformation Board is now meeting every other month to assess and drive projects forward. Sign-up for the new MyWyre account has been assisted by the energy rebate scheme and green waste subscription with the original target for April 2022 far exceeded.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The green waste subscription for 2022/23 has now commenced and therefore the amount of people signing up for the scheme has reduced. This is reflected in the lower number of MyWyre accounts in this second quarter. Demonstrations are also commencing next week for the new telephony system.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The DTB continue to meet regularly to progress ongoing projects including the IDOX mobile app project, Telephony system procurement, Cyber security measures and the implementation of the Document Management System.</p>
PPE5 - Status	Mark Broadhurst	<p>Green</p> <p>Delivery against the Green Homes Grant: Local Authority Delivery Scheme Phase 2 (LAD2) this 1st quarter has gone really well with 27 measures installed in 18 properties - good progress. Work to deliver against Social Housing Decarbonisation Funding has begun on Regenda Housing Stock in Fleetwood with the completion of 20 measures. Working with Cosy Homes in Lancashire (CHiL) and using the Parity Software to identify Wyre homes that could potentially benefit from retrofit measures 5,000 homes have been identified and mailed this month. These homes will be encouraged to take up measures. We are working on the paperwork and procurement of a new CHiL provider with Lancashire LAs, this is anticipated to take place next year. Following an opportunity to bid for Contain Outbreak Management Funding (COMF) a bid was submitted proposing work with Red Rose Energy to deliver energy efficiency and domestic carbon saving advice. We expect to hear if the bid is successful mid-July.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The Regenda SHDF installations are being delivered as planned and are on target for delivery. 112 measures have now been delivered in 39 properties. The programme has been highlighted as one of best practice for delivery against SHDF. A successful bid was submitted for Affordable warmth funding to Lancashire County Council. Funding allocated will be £87k and a proportion of this is planned to support the installation of insulation and carbon saving measures in the homes of older and vulnerable residents. An initial meeting has been held with CHiL to explore this. Under LAD2 CHiL has now delivered 58 measures in 27 Wyre homes.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>Work completed via the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund now includes 76 completions of external wall insulation and 82 properties having damp proof courses completed. In total 67 properties now have works completed to the end of December. With the poor weather it is expected that an extension to complete the works under the SHDF will be applied for. Under LAD2 62 measures have now been installed to the end of Q3. Affordable Warmth funding provided by Lancashire County Council is being used to support the installation of energy efficient boilers and insulation measures and installations have begun. There may be the possibility of additional funding from LCC which can be carried over to the end of March 2024. Districts have been asked if they are interested in receiving further funding and we have indicated our interest in bidding for such funding were it to become available. Following promotion of the Home Upgrade Grant (HUG) in our off gas areas 29 properties are currently out to technical survey and are being assessed for inclusion in the HUG scheme. These installations will include measures such as heat pumps.</p>
PPE6 - Status	Sammy Gray	<p>Green</p> <p>Climate change campaign launched in this quarter. This comprises awareness raising posts on social media, with the tag line 'it's in our hands', providing tips and advice for residents to take climate action. Residents are directed towards further information on the website. Other aspects of the campaign include blog posts to explain climate change issues and actions in greater detail. So far 53 residents have read our blog post on reducing food waste. A carbon reduction event has also been organised for the Wyred Up business network in July.</p> <p>Articles also produced within the annual Wyre Great Outdoor Brochure which encourage people to take part in considering their carbon footprint and conservation of biodiversity. This Brochure is promoted with the use of a QR code to link to the website.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>Climate change actions were promoted via the Young Wyre in Bloom event, where schools across the borough were judged on the sustainability of their grounds. This cumulated in an event for staff and students at the Civic, with awards presented by the Mayor.</p> <p>Online engagement included the 'It's in Our Hands' campaign, which covered switching to LEDs and staycations, as well as promotion of zero waste heroes and waste reduction tips, which had a large reach. Staff also created displays and prepared for a Great Big Green Week event (during the final week of September) at Garstang in partnership with the Fairtrade Society. This will be used as a trial to engage the public on climate change actions and dispel myths around carbon footprints. We plan to build on these events to target specific environmental awareness days/weeks next year.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>Social media posts on topics related to climate change initiatives and behaviour change had 2,863 engagements during this quarter. This included posts on the pumpkin roadshow and leftover recipes, the Carbon Literacy Action Day, school visits, tree planting, seasonal shopping, and ways to have a more sustainable Christmas.</p>

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People Measures		Reportee	Q1, April - June 2022			Q2, July - September 2022			Q3, October - Dec 2022			Commentary
			Target	Actual	Cumulative	Target	Actual	Cumulative	Target	Actual	Cumulative	
MPE1	The percentage of adults in Wyre that are currently inactive	Carol Southern	34.10%									Annual Target reported in Active Lives Survey
MPE2	Number of annual visits to our leisure centres	Carol Southern	170,000	169,699	169,699	170,000	167,155	336,854	150,000	141,019	477,873	We are working closely with Fylde Coast YMCA to help them recover and build their attendances back post pandemic. The attendances are steadily increasing but other factors such as the cost of living crisis are coming into play, which is adversely affecting the numbers of people attending.
MPE2	Number of memberships at our leisure centre	Carol Southern	6,500	6,421	6,421	6,500	6,270	6,270	6,500	5,953	5,953	We are working closely with Fylde Coast YMCA to help them recover and build their membership base post pandemic. They have dropped their monthly direct debit price to £25, which is proving popular. They have offered promotions twice this year to help increase their DD's, which has been effective. Annual upfront memberships have declined significantly this year, which is being affected by the cost of living crisis.
MPE2	Number of volunteer hours	Simon Swindells	4,977	7,195	7,195	4,114	7,206	14,401	5,429	5,627	20,028	Target increase of 10% per Q from 2021/22
MPE3	Number of children engaged with holiday activities	Carol Southern	250	255	255	700	463	718	150	187	905	We are really happy with where we are up to with the Wyre HAF programme. The final figure was 187 children for Christmas 2022.
MPE4	Number of residents registered for My Wyre account	Pete Mason	1,500	8,044	8,044	1,500	3,851	11,895	1,500	23,351	35,246	Note: As some account holders leave the borough their accounts will be deactivated and some will be replaced with new account holders meaning there will not always be growth when new users sign up.
MPE5	Number of domestic energy measures installed under Cosy Homes in Lancashire, via Green Homes Grants and other Government Schemes.	Mark Broadhurst	5	37	37	20	133	170	50	50	220	
MPE6	Number of residents engaged with behavioural change campaigns using digital and non-digital channels	Sammy Gray	300	381	381	300	7,605	7,986	300	2,863	10,849	Engagements recorded on social media. Note: Quarter 2 results cover social media reach (target to be clarified with senior communications officer)
Key												
	Achieving/Exceeding target											
	Within 10% of achieving target											
	Below target (more than 10%)											
Targets set Nationally												

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Place Projects				
Project Manager		Q1, April - June 2022	Q2, July - September 2022	Q3, October - Dec 2022
PPL1 - Status		Green	Amber	Green
Work with others to deliver our action plan to reduce the effect of climate change on our borough including the carbon footprint of all council activities and assets	Sammy Gray	<p>The council is working with partners in the Wyre Waters Catchment Partnership and the Forest of Bowland AONB to mitigate for the impact of climate change on biodiversity and landscape by supporting the work of the river restoration to create space for water and wildlife and to work with landowners to manage habitats for improved carbon sequestration and wildlife in estuaries, upland pasture, peatlands and meadows.</p> <p>Ongoing work to deliver £1.2m Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme grant at Fleetwood Market, involving the removal of the fossil fuel gas heating and replacing this with renewable technology, alongside retrofitting to ensure the building is energy efficient.</p> <p>A full staff commuting survey was undertaken, with a good response of 215 staff members. This allows for a better understanding of carbon footprint from commuting, which was previously unknown, as well as the carbon savings from the introduction of hybrid working (approximately 27% of what commuting emissions would have been).</p>	<p>A trial of a new decision making tool was introduced to staff at Report Author trainings. This consists of a decision wheel, to help staff to assess the impacts of a project/decision on climate change and consider positive changes to mitigate these.</p> <p>The decarbonisation scheme at Fleetwood Market has fallen behind schedule due to design delays and the complexity of the scheme.</p>	<p>A Climate Change Strategy was drafted and sent to Heads of Service for review in December. A second draft incorporating this feedback is due in late February/early March.</p> <p>Good progress has been made on the Fleetwood Market decarbonisation project. Designs have been completed and orders have been taken for the solar panels and heat pumps.</p> <p>A further 8 members of senior leaders and managers have been certified as Carbon Literate following training. This brings the total certified to 25.</p> <p>The climate change decision wheel tool has continued to be trialled on a handful of reports, as part of the requirement for this be submitted with all key decisions. No major issues have been highlighted so far, and a review of the process is due in the new year.</p> <p>Installation of EV charging points has continued. 3 chargers are now live, 6 sites are installed and awaiting a mains supply, 2 further sites are awaiting installation - due by March 2023.</p> <p>In partnership with Cosy Homes in Lancashire (CHIL), 58 energy saving measures have been installed in 27 Wyre homes up until the end of September and further figures are to be provided for Q3.</p> <p>Under the Social Housing Decarbonisation Scheme (SHDS), 76 properties have had external wall insulation installed, and 82 properties fitted with damp proof courses. Following promotion of the Home Upgrade Grant (HUG) scheme, 29 properties in our off-gas areas are currently under technical survey for inclusion in the scheme, which will include renewable energy measures such as heat pumps.</p> <p>The ECO-CoBS project has been renamed to 'Our Future Coast', and has made progress in establishing a team and board, running workshops during this quarter, along with site visits and scoping of options for wider engagement. The project, which tests nature-based solutions and community engagement to tackle the threat of flooding and coastal change, will launch at the end of March 2023.</p> <p>Following the successful Great Big Green Week event in Garstang in October, plans are underway for an event in summer 2023. Other activities in the community included working with Baines Endowed Primary School, during their 'protecting our planet' week, with staff delivering sessions on climate change, waste reduction and conservation. This outreach programme is due to be developed to reach more schools and community groups.</p> <p>Initial discussions were held with the East Lancs Chamber of Commerce to explore schemes for providing low carbon business support, which has already benefitted several businesses in Wyre and Lancashire as a whole.</p> <p>Key dates for promotion of climate change positive action have been included in the 2023 Wyre Great Outdoors Programme - Great Big Green Week, National Tree Week and World Soil Day.</p>
PPL2 - Status		Green	Green	Green
Promote activity to support our residents to reduce waste, increase reuse and recycling, and implement environmental initiatives to help achieve a sustainable environment	Kathy Winstanley	<p>In addition to the wheeled bin recycling scheme, the service also offers household collections of other materials including electronics, batteries and textiles. Bulky Waste (larger household items) is collected in partnership with a Social Enterprise at a cost to the customer; this arrangement has proved extremely popular and we are increasing resources to allow for additional collection slots. There are limited opportunities to introduce new recycling initiatives due to the waste 'power of direction' from LCC however the move towards 240L recycling bins has encouraged participation with an increased amount of recycling collected. The recycling rate has remained static due to the reduction in paper tonnages as people move towards electronic media (national trend).</p> <p>Contamination rates are high in some areas (wrong items in bins) which adversely impacts the recycling rate and a targeted in-house education campaign is ongoing to engage with residents and raise awareness of the recycling service - this is a resource intensive process and will take time to show improvement. Recycling rates can be boosted by targeted communication campaigns aimed at identifying items not commonly recycled i.e. recycling is often associated with kitchen activities yet many items generated in the bathroom (toothpaste cartons, toilet roll tubes, shampoo/shower gel bottles) are also recyclable but commonly missed. Specific comms messages to target the less recycled materials – this would require a dedicated resource.</p>	<p>The wheeled bin recycling scheme and other household collections (of batteries, textiles, electronics and bulky items) are promoted at every opportunity to encourage participation and boost the recycling rates across the borough. The Green Waste subscription service has been well received once again this year, with high garden waste tonnages over the summer months. The annual household collection calendar is being finalised for a Christmas delivery, and will promote the full range of kerbside service options as well as hints and tips for reducing excess food waste. Areas of the borough with low participation in the recycling scheme, and/or high contamination levels are being identified by the Enforcement Officers, with additional support and information offered to improve their understanding of the scheme and boost recycling.</p>	<p>The Environmental Enforcement Officers continue with work to target poor performing areas where recycling participation is low and rates of contamination/additional waste presented high. Recycling messages have been reiterated in the annual collection leaflet to all properties, along with information on food waste reduction, bulky waste, battery and textile recycling. Recycling messages were also promoted during Big Green Week with a recycling game used to demonstrate which items go in which bins. Rescheduled collections over the Christmas period were kept to a minimum, with a low level of missed collections and good presentation of the right bins on the right days, ensuring recycling opportunities were maximised. The collection of 'real' Christmas trees will be promoted once again following the Christmas period, with trees being collected by the green waste crews and contributing to Wyre's overall recycling rate (which includes dry material and green waste).</p>
PPL3 - Status		Green	Green	Green
Complete the partial review of the Wyre Local Plan 2021-2031 and commence full review	Fiona Riley	<p>Partial Review</p> <p>Following consideration by Full Council, the submission draft Wyre Local Plan Partial Review was submitted to Government for Examination on 25 April. The Planning Inspectorate has appointed an Inspector and the Examination in Public is set for 27 and 28 September. Officers are continuing to engage with the Inspector and preparing necessary evidence and written statements for the Examination.</p> <p>Full Review</p> <p>Work continues on reviewing the scoping consultation responses to the Full Review and scoping evidence requirements. Discussions are ongoing with neighbouring local authorities regarding the potential to commission joint evidence to support their respective local plans. To support the evidence gathering stage, at its meeting on 27 June, the Planning Policy Working Group agreed to move to monthly meetings to allow for consideration of emerging evidence by the group.</p>	<p>Partial Review</p> <p>The Examination in Public was held 27 and 28 September. During the hearings, the Inspector indicated that some limited main modifications are necessary to the draft Plan and Officers are currently engaging with the Inspector. The main modifications will undergo a six week public consultation during October-November. The final Inspectors report is expected to be issued in late 2022. The Partial Review will be considered for adoption by at 26 January 2023 Full Council meeting.</p> <p>Full Review</p> <p>Discussions continue with neighbouring local authorities regarding the potential to commission joint evidence to support their respective local plans. Draft briefs are currently being prepared and agreed ahead of procurement. Monthly meetings of the Planning Policy Working Group continue to consider emerging evidence.</p>	<p>Partial Review</p> <p>The Examination in Public was held 27 and 28 September. During the hearings, the Inspector indicated that some limited main modifications are necessary to the draft Plan and Officers are currently engaging with the Inspector. The main modifications will undergo a six week public consultation during October-November. The final Inspectors report is expected to be issued in late 2022. The Partial Review will be considered for adoption by at 26 January 2023 Full Council meeting.</p> <p>Full Review</p> <p>Discussions continue with neighbouring local authorities regarding the potential to commission joint evidence to support their respective local plans. Draft briefs are currently being prepared and agreed ahead of procurement. Monthly meetings of the Planning Policy Working Group continue to consider emerging evidence.</p>
PPL4 - Status		Amber	Amber	Amber
Deliver the Wyre Beach Management Scheme to protect homes from coastal flooding	Carl Green	<p>The Project Manager has instructed the commencement of the site compound and ancillary enablement works to commence on 5th September. This will allow the construction works to commence at the start of March 2023. The scheme has been delayed by 12 months due to MMO licence application for the temporary storage of rock on the beach for the initial scheme.</p> <p>Costs for the compound works have risen by approximately 33% due to material inflation and fuel costs. Meetings with the MMO have been arranged to determine how their requirements can be satisfied.</p>	<p>Phase 1 Target cost submission issued on 16th September by BBCEL for approval at October board meeting. An updated overall scheme cost has been prepared which is lower than the feasibility cost for the scheme (Phase 1 &amp; Phase 2) but above the EA approval sum. EA are aware of the increase and have proposed a mechanism to account for the increased inflationary pressures on construction projects currently running at 23% (an allowance of 2.5% was made in the business case).</p> <p>MMO meetings held regularly. Last meeting 22/08/2022, next meeting to be set up for October. MMO, Phase 1 MMO now withdrawn (23rd August 22) and Phase 2 amended to include Phase 1 rock stockpiling. Further requests by MMO have delayed licence by between 10-28 days. Licence target date is mid Jan 23, public consultation period due to commence Oct 22. Planning Permission for Phase 1 received on 7th June all conditions complete. Phase 2 due for consideration at November committee.</p> <p>KPI and community plan being developed with BBCEL, Social Value Advisor Compound and pre-commencement works including slipway widening commenced on site 5th September. Modular office due on 21st November with 4 week period to complete. Liaison meetings have been undertaken with the Venue owners and management and boating club chairman and secretary. Public Liaison will be set up within the Venue by Jane Littlewood and commence from Thursday 13th Oct onwards. A scheme presentation will take place at the Cleveleys community centre on 19th October 22 as part of the Rossall Residents meeting.</p> <p>Amber as project almost one year behind original schedule and inflationary prices have pushed the costs up. Trying to obtain confirmation from EA that these justified cost increases will be met through the grant funding.</p>	<p>Phase 1 Target cost submission was submitted and approved at the October board meeting. This provided approval to sign the Phase 1 contract which was concluded on 15 Dec.</p> <p>Documents have been submitted to the Environment Agency (EA) Large Project Review Group (LPRG) for approval of the additional inflationary scheme costs. Confirmation received that the additional cost will be considered by the subcommittee, which should simplify the process. A meeting has been arranged for Jan 23.</p> <p>MMO meetings held regularly. Last meeting 13/12/2022, to ensure all elements of the revised Habitats Regulation Assessment HRA and Environmental Impact Assessment EIA cover all aspects of the Statutory Consultee requirements and timetable for consideration. There is a risk that the MMO license will not be in place for commencement of the Phase 1 works but the team have developed contingency plans if temporary rock storage on the beach or marking of the wind farm power cable is not possible.</p> <p>A meeting to develop the KPI and community plan with the wider Wyre officers is scheduled for 13 Jan, at this meeting the ability of the scheme to bring broader community benefits including job creation, business development, environmental benefits, carbon saving, community coherence and health benefits will be discussed.</p> <p>The site compound and rock storage area on Jubilee Gardens is progressing well with the carbon efficient modular office delivered to site and installed before the Christmas break. The widening of the access ramp is now complete. Preparations for the concrete slab road crossing have been instigated with a road closure scheduled for Jan 23 allowing local businesses to be undisturbed over the Christmas and New Year period. Liaison meetings with the businesses and public continue. No complaints have been received during the period, despite some of the noisiest activities taking place.</p> <p>Amber as project almost one year behind original schedule due to environmental requirements to support planning and Marine licences. Inflationary prices have increased construction costs, however, EA have confirmed that money is available to support these cost increases through grant funding. Submission was submitted and approved at the October board meeting. This provided approval to sign the Phase 1 contract which was concluded on 15 Dec.</p>
PPL5 - Status		Green	Green	Green
Facilitate and support the improvement, biodiversity, accessibility and use of our parks and open spaces	Christina Margison	<p>The 9 day Garstang Walking Festival took place in early May celebrating the coast, parks and countryside of Wyre in springtime. Walks took place in a wide variety of locations from across Wyre. The Friends of Garstang Walking Festival, Wyre volunteer walk leaders, rangers and partners lead family activities, easy accessible walks, moderate walks all the way up to challenging long distance and upland walks. The feedback from the customers was excellent with over 400 attendances on the walks. Customers travelled in from the Garstang, Wyre and Lancashire areas as well as further afield from Greater Manchester, Bradford, Croydon and Edinburgh.</p> <p>The Wyre volunteer rangers have completed the construction of a section of boardwalk on the sand dunes at Fleetwood near to Rossall Point Tower. This is part of the Lancashire Living Seas Trail which is being developed from the Boating lake to Larkholme Grasslands. Also installed are wooden carved monoliths which depict marine wildlife to be found in Morecambe Bay and the Irish Sea around Fleetwood.</p> <p>A Dune Monitoring conservation took place led by the Dynamic Dunescapes engagement officer at Fleetwood beach. She successfully trained up local volunteers, rangers and partners to use digital technology, practice observation skills and identify the key features of sand dune habitats to undertake citizen science which will to help monitor the changing morphology and wildlife of the dunes. The Wyre volunteers and rangers are continuing with these surveys.</p> <p>New wildlife interpretation has been installed on the coast to help advise visitors to the coast of the ground nesting birds using the beach and sand dunes</p> <p>The Wyre Great Outdoors programme of activities within our parks and open spaces have included the 2 weekly Wellbeing walks from Garstang and Fleetwood, 2 weekly gardening clubs at The Mount and Memorial Park, Big Beach cleans, Sow and Grow your own sweetcorn</p>	<p>The Wyre Great Outdoors programme plays a key role in continuing to deliver this target. The programme offers a wide range of activities in particular promoting access for all with Wyre Wheels at Memorial Park, Trampers at the Wyre Estuary Country Park, and Beach Wheelchairs at Fleetwood beach. The brochure shares information on biodiversity, how to get involved with its care and a wide programme of activities for people to take part in from conservation days to beach cleans and wildlife walks and activities. This programme of activities in our parks, on our coastline and countryside is supported by a wide range of volunteer groups and key partner organisations. Meadow management training was undertaken on Larkholme Grasslands, Branksome Avenue and the Wyre Estuary Country Park, training staff and volunteers to improve their skills to undertake the more delicate work on the biodiverse grasslands, seeds from these grasslands have been collected to sow and grow on wires parks and open spaces.</p>	<p>The councils parks and grounds and countryside teams including volunteers and members of public planted over 2000 trees at a variety of open spaces in Wyre during National Tree Week. A public planting day was held at Hawthorne Park with Millfield High School students and the trustees of Hawthorne Park with the help of additional funding. We have worked with a local farmer and the Forest of Bowland AONB to secure funding for a wildlife trail in Bleasdale with FIPL funding and our volunteers and staff are helping to install the new gates and path infrastructure. Rossall Point Tower has been opened on a more regular basis with the support of volunteer guides and a new interpretation panel installed which encourages visitors to enjoy the coast safely and promotes biodiversity. Regular maintenance of the riverside paths at Stanah, Holme Wood and Brock Picnic area has been undertaken by staff and volunteers to enable public access to nature.</p>
PPL6 - Status		Green	Green	Green
Support the Turning Tides Partnership in the ambition to achieve a blue	Carl Green	<p>Arrangements through Blackpool Council are being made to safeguard the Love my Beach and Turning Tides coordinators through funding from North West Coastal Councils.</p> <p>Wyre continues to play an active role in key initiatives including plastic reclamation from the beaches and working with United Utilities to reduce pollution.</p>	<p>All 7 Wyre Beach Care groups have been very active removing litter from the beach environments on community beach cleans supported by Wyre.</p>	<p>Meeting of Turning Tides held Dec 22. This meeting concentrated on the bathing water results for 21/22 issued in November. The new bathing water classifications for 2022, are based on monitoring data collected by the Environment Agency between 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2022. These showed a quality reduction across the NW. However, Wyre's two bathing beaches at Cleveleys and Fleetwood retained their good quality status for the seventh year in a row. This is due to the excellent work undertaken with our partners across Turning Tides as well as the great work of the volunteer beach care groups and the work happening with our Wyre Catchment Partnership.</p>
PPL7 - Status		Green	Green	Green

Lead on and support natural flood management projects	Carl Green	The Wyre NFM project was officially launched on 31st May 2022. The opening ceremony was attended by Emma Howard Boyd Chair of the Environment Agency at which she said “This project and the Natural Environment Investment Readiness Fund is leading the way in showing how private investment in nature can be achieved, including by providing long-term returns through costs avoided from a reduction in flood risk, such as here where communities will benefit downstream in Churchtown, which were impacted during Storm Desmond.”	Wyre & WRT Volunteers have undertaken leaky dam work to support natural flood management on the Upper River catchment.	Progress of the project is on target. Interventions are beginning to be delivered and further holdings have signed up to host interventions. Working with a large landowner at the top of the catchment contract clauses have been finalised allowing issuance of a contract for works on in-hand land at Far Barn and issuance of the first landowner/land manager/CIC contract. The selection of the sites for small leaky barriers have been refined to delivery in the priority areas for the project. Further works and farm visits are planned prior to the tree planting season to allow further development of opportunities for year two. Permits for floodplain reconnection and peat restoration will be designed and sought this winter, allowing them to be delivered in the summer of 2023. An important output for the project is volunteer effort approximately 160 hours to date which provides both gifted time but also aids , community acceptance and understanding of the NFM measures.
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Place Measures		Reportee	Q1, April - June 2022			Q2, July - September 2022			Q3, October - Dec 2022			Commentary
			Target	Actual	Cumulative	Target	Actual	Cumulative	Target	Actual	Cumulative	
MPL1.1	Reduction in council carbon emissions	Mark Billington, Sammy Gray										Work is ongoing towards reducing the council's and wider borough's emissions by at least 78% by 2035. Work to calculate the councils emissions for 21/22 is still being completed and will be included at Q4. An annual target will be determined once additional work following development of the climate change strategy has been completed.
MPL1.2	Number of public electric charging points	Carl Green	23	4	4	23	0	4	23	0	4	The first three chargers (six chargepoints) on Custom House Lane and Thornton Little Theatre were due to go live before Christmas; issues with commissioning the units meant that they did not. They are now expected to go live this month. The main delaying factor is getting ENWL to make a connection to the mains supply – some have been given an expected connection date, while others are still awaiting one. Therefore it is expected that five charging units are due to go live during January 2023 and a further 18 by March 2023.
MPL1.3	Number of trees planted	Christina Marginson, Ryan Arrell							2178	2586	2586	Trees planted during national tree week and more to go in before tree planting season closes. Queens Green Canopy trees also planted. The target for 2022/23 season (November - February) was 5418 however one of the sites available for tree planting has pulled out and therefore this target has had to be revised and now stands at 4355. The target for each quater (Q3&4) is therefore half of this figure 2178.
MPL2.1	% of household waste recycled	Alan Fitzpatrick	45%	44.10%	44.10%	45%	47.50%	45.80%				3 month data lag from LCC - figures reported in Q2 are actuals for Q1 22/23 (the cumulative figure in Q2 45.8% is the average over the 2 quarters). We have undertaken an education programme in the areas where we recognise that there is high percentage of contamination but we believe the contamination is due to a lack of understanding as opposed to a refusal to comply with recycling initiatives, therefore a Project Officer/Enforcement Officer engages directly with householders to highlight the contamination and effective ways to combat the concern
MPL2.2	Reduction in fly tipping reported	Alan Fitzpatrick, Tracy Waistle	400	297	297	400	266	563	400	214	777	the cumulative figure in Q2295 is the average over the 2 quarters
MPL4	Number of properties protected from coastal flooding	Carl Green										First scheme in current programme to be completed July 2023 protecting circa 1,650 properties. A further 9,350 properties will be better protected by March 2027. The existing defences protect circa 24,217 residential properties of a total of 40,011 properties within the catchment to a standard of 0.5% chance of flooding in any year.
MPL5	Satisfaction with our parks and open spaces	Christina Marginson							68%	72%	72%	These figures have been obtained through the bi annual life in wyre surveys. The targets were never set in stone with it being a perception survey and % tend to be small.
MPL6	Satisfaction with keeping public land free from litter	Alan Fitzpatrick							66%	65%	65%	These figures have been obtained through the bi annual life in wyre surveys. The targets were never set in stone with it being a perception survey and % tend to be small.
Key												
	Achieving/Exceeding target											
	Within 10% of achieving target											
	Below target (more than 10%)											
NB	MPL5 – linked to the Life in Wyre bi-annual survey, therefore figures only available every 2 years											
	MPL4 – linked to the Life in Wyre bi-annual survey, therefore figures only available every 2 years											
Targets Set Locally												
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MPL6												

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Report of:	Meeting	Date
Clare James, Corporate Director Resources	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	27 February 2023

## Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23 – update report

### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To update the Overview and Scrutiny Committee about the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23.

### 2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the report be noted.

### 3. Current work

#### 3.1 The Promotion of Self-Care and Social Prescribing in Wyre Task Group

The Promotion of Self-Care and Social Prescribing in Wyre Task Group held its first meeting on 12 January 2023 and received information from the Head of Housing and Community Services, the Leisure, Healthy Lifestyles and Communities Manager and the Leisure, Health and Community Engagement Portfolio Holder on the current work of the council in relation to self-care and social prescribing. The group is to hold future meetings and have requested for more information to be provided from the council's Primary Care Network contacts and local GP practices to review the working relationship with the council.

#### 3.2 Wyre Moving More Strategy

The Wyre Moving More Strategy was unable to be submitted to the February meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee as it was not completed in time to meet the relevant deadlines. As a result, it has been requested that this item be brought to a subsequent meeting. Updates will be communicated to members accordingly.

## **4. Work Programme**

### **4.1 Annual Work Programme Workshop**

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee attended a Work Programme Workshop on 7 February 2023 to determine possible reviews for the next municipal year (2023/24).

The members comes to a consensus on the following review topics:

- Leisure Activity Provision (#3 on the priority list, to be discussed summer 2023 following the Wyre Moving More Strategy and Leisure Facilities Strategy)
- Business Model and Commercialisation of council assets (#2 on the priority list, to be discussed early autumn 2023)
- Climate Change Progress (#1 on the priority list but awaiting the council's Climate Change Strategy, to be discussed winter 2023)
- Housing (#4 on the priority list, with Mark Broadhurst to bring a briefing note on energy consumption of existing housing stock to a future meeting)

It was also agreed to have a dedicated meeting in the new municipal year on the 2023-2027 Business Plan.

The Work Programme for 2023/24 will be formally agreed at the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 24 April 2023.

A reminder that all members are invited to make suggestions about potential review topics for inclusion in the Programme. Suggestions should be strategic in focus and linked to the achievement of the Council's Business Plan. A special decision-making tool has been designed to help the committee and other members determine whether suggestions meet the minimum criteria and this can be found here:

[https://wyregovuk.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/DemocraticServices/EbfRzt4e\\_o5AnXg-kN3HcWwBPWuKJZVAqwM-43zoimKtmg?e=3T9Z9z](https://wyregovuk.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/DemocraticServices/EbfRzt4e_o5AnXg-kN3HcWwBPWuKJZVAqwM-43zoimKtmg?e=3T9Z9z). Scrutiny is member-led and without suggestions from councillors about task group topics the Programme will not achieve its purpose. The Work Programme is reviewed at every meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

### **4.2 Citizens Advice Lancashire West**

A reminder to members that the £30,000 Citizens Advice funding will expire at the end of 2023/24.

As with previous years, members may be inclined to review the council's arrangement with Citizens Advice. It has been proposed that this could be a brief, one-day workshop review where members would consider the current agreement and suggest recommendations to Cabinet.

If members want to include this on their Work Programme, it is imperative that this review is scheduled in a reasonable timeframe in order for the budget to be taken into consideration.

**4.3 The Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme for 2022/23 is attached at Appendix 1.**

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**List of appendices**

Appendix 1 – Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2022/23.

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**Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2022/23:**

<b>Committee Meetings</b>		
<b>2022</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>Theme</b>	<b>Agenda items</b>
Monday 6 June at 6pm	Update and review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Election of Chair for the municipal year 2022/23</li> <li>• Election of Vice Chair for the municipal year 2022/23</li> <li>• An update on Covid-19 response – learning to live with the virus</li> <li>• Review of the implementation of the recommendations of the Tourism Recovery Task Group – interim update report</li> <li>• Business Plan 2021/22, Quarterly Performance Statement (Quarter 4: January – March)</li> <li>• State of Wyre Report 2021</li> <li>• O&amp;S Work Programme 2022/23 – update and planning</li> </ul> <p><b>Invited attendees:</b> Councillor David Henderson (Leader of the Council) and Garry Payne (Chief Executive). Marianne Hesketh (Corporate Director Communities).</p>
Monday 18 July at 6pm	Health and Wellbeing theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual update regarding the work of the Lancashire County Council Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee</li> <li>• The annual Quality Account for 2021/22 North West Ambulance Service – Information item</li> <li>• O&amp;S Work Programme 2022/23 – update</li> </ul> <p><b>Invited attendees:</b> Councillor Julia Robinson (Co-opted Member of the Lancashire County Council Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee).</p>
Monday 5 September at 6pm	Update and review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of the implementations of the recommendations of the Citizens Advice Lancashire West Task Group – one year on</li> <li>• Review of the implementations of the recommendations of the Residents Parking Permit Scheme Task Group</li> <li>• Update report on the Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone</li> <li>• Business Plan 2022/23, Quarterly Performance Statement (Quarter 1: April – June)</li> <li>• O&amp;S Work Programme 2022/23 – update</li> </ul>

Committee Meetings		
		<p><b>Invited attendees:</b> Marianne Hesketh (Corporate Director Communities) and Diane Gradwell (Citizens Advice Service West Lancashire). Carl Green (Head of Engineering Services) and Councillor Roger Berry (Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder). Councillor Alice Collinson (Planning Policy and Economic Development Portfolio Holder).</p>
Monday 17 October at 6pm	Integrated Health and Care System theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual update from the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Health and Care Board</li> <li>• O&amp;S Work Programme 2022/23 – update</li> </ul> <p><b>Invited attendees:</b> tbc</p>
Monday 21 November at 6pm	Resources and Finance theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fees and Charges - draft</li> <li>• Business Plan 2022/23, Quarterly Performance Statement (Quarter 2: July – September)</li> <li>• Promoting Health, Self-Care and Social Prescribing in Wyre Task Group (official name tbc) scoping document for review</li> <li>• Tackling Youth Anti-Social Behaviour in Wyre Task Group – draft report</li> <li>• O&amp;S Work Programme 2022/23 – update</li> </ul> <p><b>Invited attendees:</b> Councillor Michael Vincent (Resources Portfolio Holder and Deputy Leader) and Clare James (Corporate Director Resources, Section 151 Officer).</p>
<b>2023</b>		
Monday 16 January at 6pm	Corporate theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Plan 2023/24 – detailed review</li> <li>• Internal Staff Covid-19 Task Force – structured debrief report</li> <li>• O&amp;S Work Programme 2022/23 – update</li> </ul> <p><b>Invited attendees:</b> Councillor Michael Vincent (Leader of the Council), Garry Payne (Chief Executive).</p>
Tuesday 7 February at 2pm	Work Programme Workshop 2023/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Workshop to agree topics for review for the 2023/24 Municipal Year</li> </ul> <p><b>Invited attendees:</b> The Corporate Management Team (CMT) and the members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p>
Monday 27 February at 6pm	Police and Community Safety theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wyre Community Safety Partnership – annual scrutiny review</li> <li>• Review of the implementations of the recommendations of the Tourism Recovery in Wyre Task Group – one year on</li> </ul>

Committee Meetings		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business Plan 2022/23, Quarterly Performance Statement (Quarter 3: October – December)</li> <li>O&amp;S Work Programme 2022/23 – update</li> </ul> <p><b>Invited attendees:</b> Martin Wyatt (Wyre Neighbourhood Inspector), Neil Greenwood (Head of Environmental Health &amp; Community Safety), and Councillor Roger Berry (Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder). Emma Lyons (Communications and Visitor Economy Manager) &amp; Councillor Bowen (Leisure, Health and Community Engagement Portfolio Holder).</p>
Monday 24 April at 6pm	Work Programme planning and review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planned Maintenance and Investment Projects Schedule - 2023/24</li> <li>O&amp;S Work Programme 2022/23 – update</li> <li>O&amp;S Work Programme 2023/24 – planning</li> </ul> <p><b>Invited attendees:</b> Marianne Hesketh (Corporate Director Communities).</p>

Task Group Reviews		
Current reviews:		
Date	Topic	Status
March 2022	Tackling Youth Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) in Wyre	Completed
December 2022	The Promotion of Self-Care and Social Prescribing in Wyre Task Group	On-going
Paused work:		
Date	Topic	Status
2019	Poulton to Fleetwood Link	Paused – waiting on the outcomes of the Government funded business case to identify the preferred option and associated costs
2022	Tourism Strategy – review of the tourism corporate strategy	Paused – waiting on additional information from Marketing Lancashire
December 2022	Business Plan (single item review in committee)	Paused – Due to workload and timings, the timescales indicated by the committee cannot be met. Thus,

Task Group Reviews		
		the Business Plan will be taken to the meeting in January for full and detailed discussions.
Future review focuses for 2022/23:		
Proposed start date	Topic	Status
2023	Leisure Activity Provision	Agreed at the Work Programme Workshop (24.02.2022) – potential single item meeting for members to look at the completed KKP Strategy (tbc)
2023	Climate Change Progress	Agreed at the Work Programme Workshop (24.02.2022)
Looking further ahead:		
Date	Topic	Status
Late 2023	Business Model of Wyre's Theatres	Agreed at the Work Programme Workshop (24.02.2022)
Late 2023	Commercialisation	Agreed at the Work Programme Workshop (24.02.2022)

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