

Place Projects	Project Manager	Q3, October - Dec 2021	Q4, January - March 2022
PPL1 - Status Review the Wyre local plan 2011-2031	Steve Smith	<p>Green</p> <p>Final stage of consultation on the Partial Review commenced in November 2021 and will conclude 18 January 2022.</p> <p>Current evidence suggests that submission of the Partial Review for Examination in early 2022 will be achievable; in full accordance with the requirements of Policy LPR1 of the Wyre Local Plan 2031.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>Consultation on the publication draft of the Local Plan Partial Review closed on 18 January 2022 and the council received 24 submissions. The final report is on the Full Council agenda for 14 April 2022 and recommends submission of the Partial Review to the Government for Examination.</p> <p>Post submission it will be for the Planning Inspectorate to appoint an Inspector and then arrange an Examination in Public. This is anticipated in August/September 2022.</p>
PPL2 - Status Deliver the Wyre Beach Management Scheme	Carl Green	<p>Amber</p> <p>Phase 1: Behind programme 12 months: Cost and Quality on track Planning Decision 3rd June 21 20/01221/FULMAJ Discharge of Conditions applied for Sept 21. Awaiting response from Env Health. Contract enabling works new quotation anticipated 10 Jan giving greater certainty of supplier rates. Teams meeting with MMO: The MMO cannot consider the two schemes as separate although planning has been approved and a decision by planners to consider the two schemes as separate had been made. The MMO therefore require a full EIA to be submitted for phase 1. Jacobs commissioned to provide this. Submission to MMO in January . Agreement with EA to draw down committed works by end of March. Application made and payment received. Utility diversions to power and gas complete. Payment made to BT but works not yet undertaken not critical to works. UU services not considered at risk. Reinforced concrete haul road between Jubilee Gardens and beach access ramp adjacent to café details agreed with LCC. LCC have requested that the works are undertaken under a legal agreement. An application has been made. This is critical to the start date of the scheme and there is a risk that legal procedures may delay the start date. Phase 2 Haskoning appointed to undertake detailed drawing works. EIA produced in accordance with MMO scoping assessment final draft issued December 21. Formal submission end Jan with planning application February 2022 Wyre's Planners signed up to the Coastal Concordat with a view to simplifying the planning / MMO licence process. June 2021. Planning consultants Hayhursts appointed to assist in process and will lead the planning application and consultee management once planning application is submitted.</p>	<p>Amber</p> <p>Main Compound and facilitation works to commence 5 Sep 2022 under a Project Manager's Instruction PMI. Phase 1 works are to commence 16 Feb 2023 (rock revetment at Rossall Beach), works completion 26 Jul 2023. An application for a Marine Licence for the storage of rock on the beach to allow the construction of the works was submitted 31 Mar 2022. The contractor has been instructed to undertake noise assessment reduction calculations and temporary works detail to comply with the planning requirements set by Environmental Health Phase 2 commences 26 Jul 2023 completion 8 Oct 2026. It is intended to construct the main phase 2 works in two distinct phases subject to agreement with planning, MMO and Natural England. The Southern section will be undertaken 26 Jul 2023 from Jubilee Gardens main compound and will be completed with the reinstatement of Jubilee Gardens by 19 Sep 2025. A Northern compound at Fleetwood will be established 30 May 2025 with completion of all works by 8 Oct 2026. Planning application including coastal concordat work will be submitted to Wyre Planning in April 2022. Following validation by Wyre planning an MMO licence application will be submitted for the phase 2 works. A pre application consultation with residents fronting the proposed Northern compound was undertaken on 9 Mar 2022. Early warnings issued over cost increases due to inflationary rises in concrete, timber, steel, fuel and change to white diesel. The war in Ukraine may also have implications on final scheme costs.</p>
PPL3 - Status Facilitate and support the improvement and use of parks and open spaces	Mark Billington	<p>Green</p> <p>The annual Wyre and Myerscough Hedgelaying competition took place at the Wyre Estuary Country Park and visitors were able to see a demonstration of highly skilled craftsmen and women helping to sustain hedgerows by "laying them" to encourage new growth and using the "pleachers" to be woven into a thick hedge which is great for wildlife and good for carbon sequestration and provides a traditional boundary to the park.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The first 3 months of January has seen a very busy and well supported programme of engagement activities across the borough. Starting on 1 January customers were welcomed to Rossall Point Tower for a guided tour. In January Memorial Park hosted the first Walking Wyre Walk, these walks are aimed to encourage everyone to take part in healthy outdoor exercise. Also taking place in January were the first of the Scientist in Residence workshops at the Mount. February saw the start of the Researching the history of the Mount sessions at the Mount with local historians and volunteers and the Ecology for All invertebrate workshops taking place at the Wyre Estuary Country Park with the Royal Society of Biology . The brand new Wyre Wellbeing Walks were launched in February in Fleetwood. The Wellbeing Walks are run in partnership with Ramblers Association with a focus on weekly walks that are accessible to all. The Fleetwood walk which makes use of the promenade and the Fleetwood Wellbeing Way route starts from Marine Hall every Saturday afternoon and is led by our newly trained volunteer walk leaders. March saw the start of the Mount Gardening club with successful workshops on how to propagate seeds. Wyre Council's inclusive cycling sessions returned to Memorial Park, giving those who are disabled or recovering from injury a chance to enjoy bike riding.</p> <p>The Bay - Blueprint for recovery (Wellbeing through Nature) sessions continued at Towers Wood, Cleveleys / Rossall Point Observation Tower, Rossall. The Bay engagement officer led whale themed sand sculpting events and a popular Tour of The Tower day at Rossall Point Tower and beach. Alongside all the engagement activities officers have been coordinating beach cleans and litter picks with local schools, conservation days on the dunes and the Wyre Estuary Country Park and weekly beach cleans throughout the Wyre coast and River Wyre estuary. An innovative community project to find out more about litter and beach sediment dynamics has been taking place during the monthly litter picks led by Lancaster University students and lecturers who have been working in partnership with Rossall Beach Residents. The aim of this project is to increase understanding of coastal processes and to find out how litter impacts upon the environment. The group recently met to hold a citizen science day at Rosssall Beach to share some of their findings with the volunteer beach cleaners and partners.</p>
PPL4 - Status		Green	Green

<p>Deliver our action plan to reduce the effect of climate change on our borough including exploring green energy opportunities</p>	<p>Christina Marginson</p>	<p>The 2019/20 and 2020/21 council carbon footprint calculations were collected and produced by One Carbon World, awaiting a final report to CMT. The most recent borough carbon footprint was also analysed and reported to Management Board and the Climate Change Policy Group. An application was put forward to the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme to improve the energy efficiency and building fabric at Fleetwood Market, awaiting a decision in the New Year. During National Tree Week we planted 3000 trees from the Woodland Trust to create a native hedgerow mix around the Wyre Civic Centre playing fields, creating a great carbon sink and wildlife habitat for Poulton. Children and teachers from St. Johns School joined in with the Wyre volunteers and had a great time planting 100 trees. A further 400 trees from the Woodland Trust have been planted in a community woodland and hedgerow at Bleasdale with volunteers from the Bleasdale Parish Hall Committee who worked alongside Wyre staff and volunteer rangers.</p>	<p>We were successfully awarded a grant for just under £1m of funding for decarbonisation works at Fleetwood Market, from the government Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme. This will fund the replacement of the gas heaters with an Air Source Heat Pump and a small solar array, alongside building efficiency upgrades such as double glazing, insulation and LED lighting.</p> <p>A national 'council climate scorecard' was produced by Climate Emergency UK, to review all council action plans against a suggested criteria. Wyre scored 46%, just above the average of 43% for district councils. This was a useful exercise in identifying where we're doing well, and where we need to improve.</p> <p>A decision making tool has been drafted for officers to undertake at the beginning of the project planning process, to understand any impacts on climate change and build in any mitigation measures. This will be tested on upcoming reports and projects in the new financial year.</p> <p>Since announcing a full Local Plan review, it was agreed among members of the Planning Policy Working Group that a Climate Change Strategy is needed to inform effective planning policy in this area. This will include an analysis of actions required to meet our climate change targets, and costed pathways to achieving these. Work is ongoing to identify consultants to assist with this, and identify examples of best practice.</p> <p>A grant of £1.3m was also secured from the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund, to improve Regenda housing stock in Wyre.</p> <p>Tree planting continued into March with sites at Fleetwood, Thorton, Poulton and Garstang all planted up leading to a total of 7,000 trees being planted for this winter season. Volunteers and members of public helped out and the local communities in Garstang celebrated and supported the creation of new hedgerows and orchards in Garstang.</p>
<p>PPL5 - Status</p> <p>Promote activity to support our residents to reduce waste, increase reuse and recycling and implement environmental initiatives to help achieve a cleaner, greener Wyre</p>	<p>Alan Fitzpatrick</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>This winter, staff and volunteers have been working in our community woodland sites undertaking woodland management works, coppicing back trees and shrubs to encourage new growth. The arising's from the cutting back have been used to create wildlife habitat piles on site and to make many brash bundles which have been used to support the work of the River Wyre Trust catchment mangement. The bundles can help to slow the flow by creating "leaky dams" along the upper stretches of the river catchment – helping to support natural flood management. The volunteers have shown great commitment throughout the bad weather and have walked miles to reach the destination of some of these tasks.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The winter programme of tree planting and woodland management has continued, with conservation volunteers and grounds team completing pruning and cutting back in preparation for spring re-growth.</p> <p>Volunteers supported Scorton Parish Council with the upgrade of parts of the Scorton Millennium Way and supported Garstang Millennium Green on upgrades to a key path through the Green.</p>
<p>PPL6 - Status</p> <p>Support the Turning Tides Partnership in their ambition to achieve a blue flag coast that is free from plastic pollution</p>	<p>Carl Green</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>A pledge document to support the ongoing work of Turning Tides is to be sent to CEOs of districts and unitary authorities.</p> <p>A new development guide to managing surface run off (one of the key contributors to emergency sewer overflow spills) is to be developed across the North West Region. Improved liaison across planning is to be developed working with the Coastal Group, who have engaged a planning resource at Wyre to integrate the Shoreline Management Plan with local planning authorities and the Marine Management Organisation. The North West RFCC also have a task and finish group on this key issue.</p> <p>Turning Tides is a good example of working together to tackle climate change issues. The potential to create a North West Climate change forum was discussed. An initial meeting of the Fylde Coast climate change groups was undertaken in December with a draft paper on opportunities and successful schemes to date prepared for the Fylde Economic Prosperity Board. A discussion paper is to be presented at the new TT meeting.</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>The council attended a Turning the Tide plastics working group which is looking at good practice throughout the North West and UK. The aim is to identify key ways in which local authorities, business partners and the public in the North West can make a difference on the complicated issue of removing plastics from coastal, marine waters, freshwater bodies and rivers. This group is currently lead by UU and supported by the Turning Tide Secretariat. It has membership from the whole coastal area from Sefton to Scottish borders.</p>