

Place Projects	Project Manager	Q1, April - June 2022	July - September 2022	October - Dec 2022	January - March 2023
<p>PPL1 - Status</p> <p>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</p>	Sammy Gray	<p>Green</p> <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>PPL2 - Status</p> <p>Promote activity to support our residents to reduce waste, increase reuse and recycling, and implement environmental initiatives to help achieve a sustainable environment</p>	Kathy Winstanley	<p>Green</p> <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/showergel bottles) are also recyclable but commonly missed.</p> <p>specific comms messages to target the less recycled materials – this would require a dedicated resource.</p>			
<p>PPL3 - Status</p> <p>Complete the partial review of the Wyre Local Plan 2011-2031 and commence a full review</p>	Fiona Riley	<p>Green</p> <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>PPL4 - Status</p>		<p>Amber</p>			

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>			
PPL5 - Status Facilitate and support the improvement, biodiversity, accessibility and use of our parks and open spaces	Christina Marginson	<p>Green</p> <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. 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 workshop at the Mount, Social cycling from Fleetwood, Stanah and Hambleton and Marine Life Sand Sculptures on the beach.</p> <p>A series of special Jubilee events took place on the councils public realm, parks and countryside space from the lighting of the Beacon at the Mount, to reminiscence tent at the Civic Centre car parks, to Alice in Wonderland performances at the Mount and the Garstang Millennium Green, where families could enjoy a picnic as well as experience open area professional theatre in beautiful outdoor settings.</p> <p>The annual Wyre Great Outdoors brochure has been produced which promotes use of family friendly parks and open spaces 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 and countryside is supported by a wide range of volunteer groups and partner organisations.</p>			
PPL6 - Status Support the Turning Tides Partnership in the ambition to achieve a blue flag coast that is free from plastic pollution	Carl Green	<p>Green</p> <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>			
PPL7 - Status Lead on and support natural flood management projects	Carl Green	<p>Green</p> <p>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."</p>			