

Report of:	To:	Date
Leader of the Council	Council	1 December 2022

Executive Report: Leader of the Council

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1** To inform Council of progress on key objectives and the current position on a number of issues, as set out below.

2. Lancashire District Leaders and Lancashire Leaders 20 October 2022

2.1 Refugees and Asylum Seekers:

Leaders requested that regular updates be provided to enable meaningful discussions to be had in order for Lancashire to be able to plan for any impact that increased refugees/asylum seekers would have on service delivery. I can, however, reassure Members that we are actively engaged in this matter with both Cllr Roger Berry and Mark Broadhurst being actively involved and currently refugees and asylum seekers have little impact on our services.

2.2 Lancashire 2050 Plan:

The Lancashire 2050 Plan (L2050) is about bringing people together with a shared vision, shared ambition, shared goals and shared priorities. It's about the future of our county and its people. Initiated by Lancashire's 15 councils, but involving everyone with a stake in our county's success, it sets out the areas where we can work together to help our county thrive.

L2050 is both bold and strategic, creating a framework so that:

- Lancashire competes better for its share of national resources and investment.
- Lancashire's public, private and voluntary sectors collaborate better to maximise the best use of our resources.
- Lancashire has a strong and clear voice that responds innovatively to new opportunities and challenges.
- Lancashire has rich, meaningful and strategic dialogue with central government about the future of our county.

There was agreement amongst Leaders on the vision and ambition:

2.3 Vision:

Lancashire is a place where every single person can live their best life and the ambition is for Lancashire to be seen across the world as the best place to make a home, raise a family, develop a career, do business and grow old.

2.4 Ambition:

Our ambition is for Lancashire to be seen across the world as the best place to make a home, raise a family, develop a career, do business and grow old. A place made up of communities everyone is proud of, that celebrates our sense of place, heritage and natural environment.

A place where we always look to the future.

2.5 Themes

The eight themes remain unchanged and as a reminder for Members they are:

Economic prosperity; Transport and Infrastructure; Environment and Climate; Housing; Early Years and Education; Employment and Skills; Health and Wellbeing; Communities and Place.

2.6 Lancashire District Leaders and Lancashire Leaders 17 November 2022

Lancashire Leaders and District Leaders met on 17 November 2022 and I will provide Members with a verbal update.

2.7 Lancashire Day 23 November 2022

To celebrate Lancashire Day a delegation of Leaders and Senior Officers from the County Council, Unitary Councils and Districts Councils met Members of Parliament in the House of Commons. The purpose of the event was to promote Lancashire as a Place and to bring MP's up to date with the progress on the Lancashire 2050 Plan, which we will formerly consider at a future meeting of full Council.

3. Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre Economic Prosperity Board

3.1 The Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre Economic Prosperity Board are due to meet on 8 December and I will provide Members with an update on the matters discussed at the meeting of full Council in January 2023.

4. Comments and Questions

4.1 In accordance with procedure rule 11.3 any member of Council will be able to ask me a question or make a comment on the contents of my report or on any issue, which falls within my area of responsibility. I will respond to any such questions or comments in accordance with Procedure Rule 11.5.