

This plan has been created in consultation with residents, public services and community groups, to find out what local projects people wanted. A big part of bringing projects together is the input and involvement of the local community. The priorities contained in this plan were highlighted by local residents who want to make the areas in which they live better.

Ten local priorities are listed here; these are the only priorities which can use resources from the My Neighbourhood Forum. Once an item is completed or the forum chooses to change it, it can be replaced by another priority as agreed by Councillors.

The council is committed to delivering the My Neighbourhood Plan. Your forum is made up of councillors who represent the area, and is led by an annually elected Chair. He is supported by your local Community Involvement Officer, who works with communities and groups in your area to make things happen.

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Every My Neighbourhood forum has a 'core fund' provided by the council - each year, Eastern area receives £6000 to spend on local initiatives. In addition, South Ribble Partnership has allocated £3000 to support the delivery of Eastern My Neighbourhood Plan.

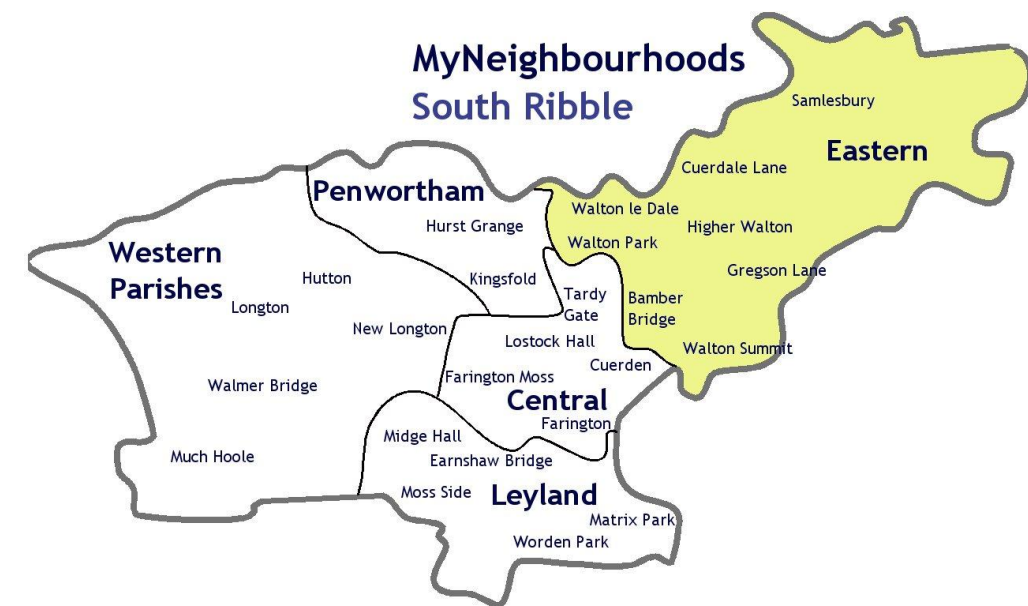
For bigger projects, where there are links to Council's Corporate Plan, capital funds, such as Section 106 funding from developments may be available.

This plan is a living document which changes regularly - we are always looking for new ideas and improvement projects. If you have any comments or queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

My Neighbourhood Forums - public meetings to show progress on our projects - are held four times a year in community venues. Come along and meet your local councillors, police and fire officers, and find out what's going on in our area.

More information about the forum, when and where it meets, and its projects is available at www.southribble.gov.uk/myneighbourhood

My Neighbourhood Eastern



My Neighbourhood Projects 2014 - 2015

1. Improvement scheme for Gregson Lane community facilities
2. Higher Walton Regeneration
3. Withy Grove Park Improvement Programme
4. Walton-le-Dale community facilities
5. Engage with children & young people
6. Skateboard / BMX facilities in Walton-le-Dale
7. Bamber Bridge Improvement Plan
8. Explore options for a new play area in Samlesbury
9. Cockshott Wood Improvement Scheme
10. Develop the site of Wesley Street Mill



My Neighbourhood Plan Eastern 2014 - 2015

Project (not listed in any order)		Sponsor Member/s	Cabinet Member	Start	Finish	Latest update at January 2014 & next steps
1	Improvement scheme for Gregson Lane sports & community facilities	Cllr Warren Bennett	Cllr Phil Smith	Dec 2011	Dec 2016	The forum has supported Gregson Green steering group in its fundraising efforts, with a financial commitment to the construction of a new community centre. Regular events are raising the profile of the group, generating funds and creating a fantastic sense of community spirit. The next steps are for the group to finalise plans for the new build, and begin the process of submitting applications for grant funding.
2	Higher Walton Regeneration - Village Improvement Scheme	Cllr Barrie Yates	Cllr Phil Smith	Jan 2012	Dec 2016	Work on phase 1 of this scheme is now nearing completion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The path around King George V Field has been completed and information panels installed Steam cleaning, painting and iron works are done The ladle (public art feature) has been installed and a community noticeboard fitted. Steam Cleaning of Cann Bridge is still outstanding, as permissions from Lancashire County Council are still required.
3	Withy Grove Park Improvement Programme	Cllr Tom Hanson Cllr Dave Watts	Cllr Peter Mullineaux	Jan 2012	Dec 2016	Works to the Sergeant Street Entrance (phase 1) have been completed, with a new gate, bin and welcome sign. The pond has been drained and an information board installed. Plans for phases 2 and 3, which involves improving the paths to the centre of the park, are being drawn and will be taken to a future forum, for wider consultation.
4	Walton-le-Dale community facilities	Cllr Peter Mullineaux	Cllr Phil Smith	Aug 2011	Dec 2016	Building work on the new community centre is almost complete. It is hoped that centre will be open for business soon, with a number of opening events for stakeholders, neighbours and tradespeople who have contributed. Further plans are being worked up for improvements in the area.
5	Engage with children & young people	Cllr Andrea Ball	Cllr Phil Smith	Jan 2012	May 2014	Children from all schools in the Eastern area were involved in a wide scale consultation, to identify their priorities for the places they live, play and learn. Feedback from this has informed both other projects in the area, and how we communicate with young people, now we know what they consider to be important. The final task of this project is a follow up by the sponsor member, with a response from the forum on work we are doing.
6	Skateboard/BMX facilities in the Walton-le-Dale area	Cllr Mike Nelson	Cllr Phil Smith	Jan 2013	Dec 2015	Following a request from young people for better local skateboard / bmx facilities, a feasibility appraisal is underway for potential sites and sources of funding.
7	Bamber Bridge Improvement Plan	Cllr Paul Foster Cllr Tom Hanson	Cllr Phil Smith	Jan 2014	Dec 2016	A meeting will be arranged early in 2014 with the project sponsors, chair, and portfolio holder to discuss how this project will take shape; what consultation is needed, timescales and funding.
8	Explore options for a new play area in Samlesbury	Cllr Barrie Yates	Cllr Phil Smith	Jun 2014	Dec 2016	Carry out a feasibility study in June 2014 to scope out possible suitable sites in the area and explore external funding streams that might be available to support the development of this project.
9	Cockshott Wood improvement scheme	Council/Cabinet priority	Cllr Peter Mullineaux	Oct 2013	Mar 2014	Following a number of issues relating to anti social behaviour being highlighted by local residents, plans to draw up an alternative pathway through the woods which is further away from adjoining properties has been drawn up, costed, and approved. Work on this project is scheduled to begin in early spring 2014.
10	Develop the site of Wesley Street Mill	Council/Cabinet priority	Cllr Cliff Hughes	Jan 2012	Dec 2015	Work continues with the developer to bring the site forward for development. Councillors have approved outline plans for up to 200 new homes at the Wesley Street Mill site.



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