

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, the Western Parishes area receives £3500 to spend on local initiatives. In addition, South Ribble Partnership has allocated £3000 to support the delivery of the Western Parishes 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.

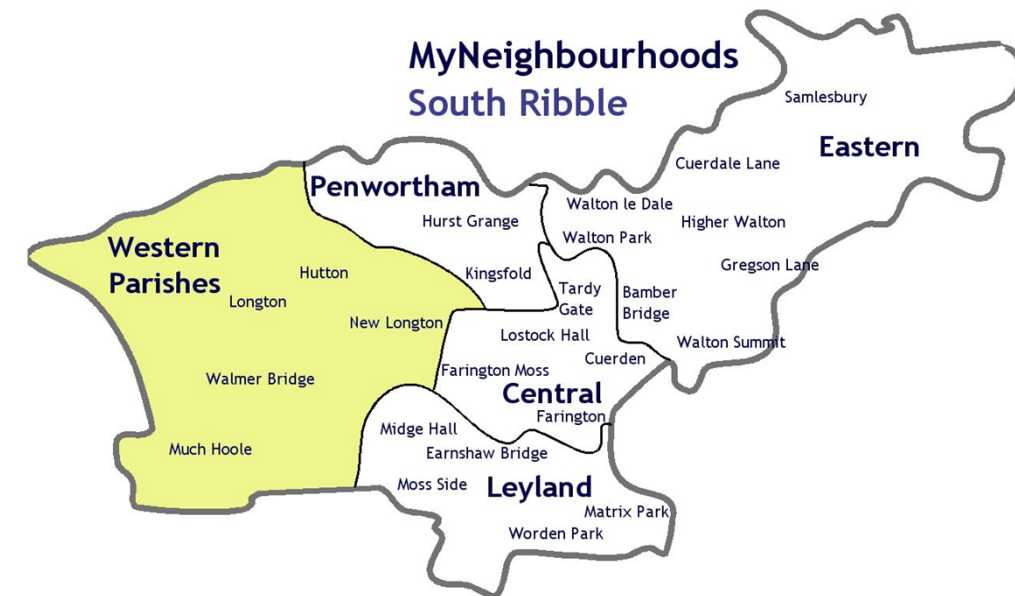
This plan is a living document which changes regularly - we are always looking for new ideas and improvement projects. If you have any comments or queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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

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

My Neighbourhood

Western Parishes



My Neighbourhood Projects 2015-16

1. Longton improvement scheme
2. Feasibility project - recreational facilities New Longton
3. Improve access to footpaths
4. 'Love Where You Live' village pride campaign
5. Longton Live 2015
6. Longton Market
7. Hutton improvement scheme - car park extension
8. Little Hoole/Walmer Bridge improvements
9. New Longton improvements
10. Much Hoole improvements - village hall



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	Project (not listed in any order)	Sponsor Member/s	Cabinet Member	Start	Finish	Latest update at February 2015 & next steps
1	Longton improvement scheme	Cllr Colin Coulton Cllr Colin Clark Cllr Jon Hesketh	Cllr Phil Smith	Nov 2012	April 2015	Final phase of work on schedule - upgrading of Church Row Chambers canopy, and installation of the 'Godwit' feature.
2	Feasibility of improving recreational facilities in New longton	Cllr Colin Coulton	Cllr Phil Smith	Jan 2014	Mar 2016	Discussions with clubs and groups to identify need and potential for improved facilities.
3	Improve access to footpaths across the area	Cllr Colin Coulton	Cllr Phil Smith	Jan 2014	Sep 2015	Draft routes (2 in each village) have been identified. Volunteers are now checking the routes before maps are produced. This project will now be linked to the new 'MERE' project, due to commence April 2015.
4	'Love Where You Live' village pride campaign	Cllr Colin Coulton	Cllr Peter Mullineaux	Apr 2014	Mar 2016	Consultation undertaken at neighbourhood forums have resulted in plans to introduce areas of wildflower planting across Western Parishes, and an agricultural themed feature to be installed at the Hutton roundabout (subject to permission from Lancashire County Council)
5	Longton Live 2015	Cllr David Suthers	Cllr Phil Smith	Jan 2015	Jul 2015	Planning for the event will begin Jan / Feb 2015, event scheduled for 3 rd and 4 th July 2015
6	Longton Market	Cllr Colin Clark	Cllr Phil Smith	Feb 2015	Oct 2015	A further drive to increase the size of the market to strengthen the offer and attract new traders is underway. A later closing time of 4pm is being trialled Feb - March 2015. If successful, this may become a permanent change. The intention is to seek a partner organisation to help the market become sustainable.
7	Hutton improvement scheme - car parking	Cllr Colin Coulton Cllr Colin Clark Cllr Jon Hesketh	Cllr Phil Smith	Feb 2014	Sept 2015	It is proposed to build an overspill car park on the recreation ground, extending the village hall car park, to ensure there is sufficient capacity for visitors to the shops, recreation ground & grammar school as well as the village hall. Funding is being discussed, and final designs being drafted.
8	Little Hoole / Walmer Bridge improvement scheme	Cllr Peter Stettner Cllr David Suthers	Cllr Phil Smith	Feb 2015	Mar 2016	Consultation begins March 2015.
9	New Longton improvement scheme - improvements to stream embankment	Cllr Margaret Smith Cllr Phil Smith	Cllr Phil Smith	Jan 2014	May 2015	A new retaining wall will be constructed to remove the need for annual maintenance / weeding to the embankment. This will enable the planted area at the top of the bank to be maintained by village hall volunteers
10	Much Hoole improvement scheme - Much Hoole Village Hall	Cllr Peter Stettner Cllr David Suthers	Cllr Phil Smith	Oct 2014	TBC	Work is underway to carry out minor improvement works to the existing hall, encouraging greater use. This will provide a better community facility for local people, a venue for fundraising activities for the new village hall, and will demonstrate need to external funders.

