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Dear Councillor,

CENTRAL LANCASHIRE STRATEGIC PLANNING JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MONDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 2019

The next meeting of the Central Lancashire Strategic Planning Joint Advisory Committee is to be held on Monday, 28th October, 2019 in Room A at Preston City Council commencing <u>at 6.30 pm</u>.

The agenda and accompanying reports for consideration at the meeting are enclosed.

The agenda papers are being sent to both appointed and substitute Members. Any appointed Member who cannot attend on Monday, 28 October 2019 is asked to first contact their substitute to see if he or she can attend instead. Then please contact Lizzie Bilsborrow either by telephone or email at the address below to give their apology with an indication of whether the substitute Member will attend.

Yours sincerely

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CENTRAL LANCASHIRE STRATEGIC PLANNING JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

- 1. PART A (Open to Press and Public)
- 2. **Appointment of Chair for the Meeting**
- 3. Welcome by the Chair and Introductions
 - Fire Procedures / Mobile Phones / Rest Rooms
 - "Members of the public, committee members and officers are reminded that under The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, the press and public may film, audio record, photograph and use social media whilst the meeting is in progress, for Part A items only, and as long as no disruption is caused to the meeting. Anyone filming is asked to focus their attention on elected members rather than other visitors". (To be read out if visitors present).
- 4. Apologies for absence
- 5. Notification of Substitute Members (if any)
- 6. **Declarations of Interests**

To receive any declarations of interest from members.

- 7. Minutes of the Last Meeting (Pages 5 8)
- 8. Central Lancashire Local Plan Update (Pages 9 12)
- 9. <u>Issues and Options Consultation Programme</u> (Pages 13 20)
- 10. Integrated Assessment Update (Pages 21 22)
- 11. The future Homes Standard Consultation & Implications for Local Plan

A verbal update will be given at the meeting.

- 12. Central Lancashire Core Strategy Monitoring (Pages 23 40)
- 13. Date and venue of next meeting

The next meeting of the Central Lancashire Strategic Planning Joint Advisory Committee will be held at South Ribble Borough Council on Tuesday, 28 January 2020 at 6.30pm.

14. Exclusion of the Press and Public

To consider passing the following resolution:

"That the public be excluded from this meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that there is likely to be disclosure of exempt information which is described in the paragraph(s) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 which is specified against the heading to each item, and that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing it."

15. PART B (Private and Confidential)

16. Update on the Central Lancashire Housing Study and Revised MOU (Paragraph 3)

Report to follow.

17. Update on the City Deal (Paragraph 3)

Report to follow.





MINUTES OF Central Lancashire Strategic Planning Joint

Advisory Committee

MEETING DATE Tuesday, 3 September 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor Alistair Bradley (Chair) and Councillors

Alistair Morwood, Debra Platt, Peter Moss, William Evans, Mick Titherington, Aidy Riggott and Keith Iddon

OFFICERS: Mark Lester (Chorley Council), Zoe Whiteside (Chorley

Council), Alison Marland (Chorley Council), Carolyn Williams (Central Lancs Local Plan Team), Johndaniel

Jaques (Central Lancs Local Plan Team), Chris Hayward (Preston City Council), Chris Blackburn (Preston City Council), John Crellin (Preston City

Council), Steve Brown (South Ribble Borough Council), Jonathan Noad (South Ribble Borough Council), Marcus Hudson (Lancashire County Council) and Nina Neisser

(Chorley Council)

APOLOGIES: Councillors Martin Boardman, Susan Whittam and

County Councillor Michael Green

24. Appointment of Chair for the Meeting

Decision: That Councillor Alistair Bradley be appointed as Chair for the meeting.

25. Welcome by the Chair and Introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

26. Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 4 June 2019 of Central Lancashire Strategic Planning Joint Advisory Committee

Decision: That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 June 2019 be confirmed as a correct record.

27. Declarations of Any Interest

There were no declarations of any interests received.

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28. Central Lancashire Local Plan Review Update

Carolyn Williams, Central Lancashire Local Plan Co-Ordinator, presented the report which provided Member with an update on the Central Lancashire Local Plan Review.

The next key milestone in the Local Plan programme was the Issues and Options consultation planned for Autumn 2019. The programme had slipped as a result of the time taken to undertake the first iteration of the SHELAA and it was therefore proposed that a revised Local Development Scheme (LDS) be prepared and brought to the next JAC meeting in October for endorsement.

It was likely that the forecasted date for adoption of the new Central Lancashire Local Plan in Summer 2022, would also slip back. This would therefore be reviewed and a new programme would be presented to the next JAC meeting.

Iceni Projects Consultancy had been commissioned to undertake an additional housing study which would provide the necessary housing need analysis by the new NPPF and would also provide a robust evidence for an appropriate distribution of housing across the three authorities. The final report would be presented at the next JAC meeting.

JBA Consulting were also undertaking the update to the Level 1 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) for Central Lancashire. Progress had been slower than anticipated due to issues with communication from Lancashire County Council (LCC), and some of the information provided by LCC was in an unusable format. The consultants would be assessing what further work was required to be able to use it. It had been agreed that LCC would fund any additional costs for this work.

Other issues discussed and detailed in the report related to the following;

- Integrated Assessment Scoping Report
- Open Space Recreation Sports Assessment (OSSRA)
- Transport
- Greenbelt Assessment
- Call for Sites

Following discussion, it was agreed that any information issued to the public be explained clearly and previous forms would be updated and simplified for public use.

Decision: That the report be noted.

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29. Exclusion of the Public and Press

Decision: To exclude the press and public for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972.

30. Proposal For the Issues and Options Consultation

The Committee received the confidential report outlining the draft Issues and Options Consultation paper, and details of the approval process which included presentation to the three Executive Cabinets of Preston, Chorley and South Ribble.

Due to the date of the Executive Cabinet Meeting in Preston and taking into account the call-in period, the committee were advised that the consultation would now run from Monday, 18 November 2019 to Friday, 14 February 2020.

'Citizenspace', an online consultation portal, would be used to undertake the consultation, although hard copy responses would also be accepted. Online responses would be encouraged via drop-in sessions with technology available. A Central Lancashire Strategic Planning Joint Advisory Committee Tuesday, 3 September 2019 detailed programme of consultation would be issued to help those completing the consultation.

Officers proposed the use of a Developer Forum for developers, land owners, RPs and planning agents to hear about the new Local Plan as it emerges and provide input. These were common practice for councils engaging in the development of a new Local Plan. Expressions of interest had been sought from stakeholders on the mailing list and at the time of the meeting there was approximately 50 interested in participating in the forum.

Decision:

- 1. To endorse the draft Issues and Options Paper
- 2. To agree that the proposed Issues and Options Consultation Paper be presented to the three Cabinets at Preston, Chorley and South Ribble for approval.
- 3. To endorse the approach to the Issues and Options Consultation including the timescales and communication and engagement methods, including the Developer Forum.

31. Demonstration of Citizenspace and Issues and Options Digital Consultation for Feedback

The committee received a demonstration of Citizenspace, the online consultation portal to be used for the Issues and Options consultation.

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Members discussed the portal and asked for further clarity on timescales including the presentation of final sites suitable for development at the preferred options stage.

Members thanked Officers for all of their work in developing this online consultation portal. Officers agreed to amend any changes as suggested by Members and provide a demonstration of the updated changes at the next JAC meeting.

Decision: That the demonstration be noted.

32. Any Other Business

As agreed at the previous meeting, the Chair requested a regular update report on the impact of City Deal. It was agreed that a report would be included on the agenda for the next JAC meeting. In the meantime, dashboards for the City Deal could be circulated to Members.

33. Dates and venue of next meeting

The next meeting of the Joint Advisory Committee will be held at Preston City Council on Monday, 28 October 2019 at 6.30pm.

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Central Lancashire

Report of	Meeting	Date
Central Lancashire Planning Local Plan Coordinator	Central Lancashire Strategic Planning Joint Advisory Committee	28/10/2019

CENTRAL LANCASHIRE LOCAL PLAN UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. To note contents of this report

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

General update on the progress of the Local Plan and programme for consultation.

Confidential report	Yes	No
Please bold as appropriate		

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

(If the recommendations are accepted)

2. None, for information only.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

3. None.

Local Plan Progress – Issues and Options

4. The Central Lancashire Local Plan Issues and options consultation is due to commence on Monday the 18th November 2019 and run until Friday 14th February 2020 following approval by the three councils. The consultation will encourage the use Citizen space, our online consultation tool, as the main means of responding to this consultation. Documents will also be made available at agreed deposit across the 3 Councils and a series of drop in events will also be held in each area, as agreed locally, to give consultees the opportunity to ask officers questions about the consultation and to discuss any concerns they may have.

FURTHER CALL FOR SITES

During the Issues and Options Consultation, a further Call for Sites window will be open. This will be the last opportunity to submit sites before the Preferred Options Document is prepared. Any additional sites submitted during this stage will be added to the Strategic Housing and Employment Land Availability Assessment (SHELAA) database and a detailed review of the submissions will be undertaken.

DEVELOPER FORUM

7. A Developer Forum is being set up to run throughout the development of the Plan. This is made up of landowners and developers who have indicated a wish to be involved in the forum and the development of the Local Plan. The initial developer forum will take place during the 12 week consultation. Availability of Council leaders is being sought in order to arrange this event.

EVIDENCE DOCUMENTS

STRATEGIC HOUSING AND EMPLOYMENT LAND ASSESSMENT (SHELAA)

- 8. The purpose of the SHELAA is to provide an evidence based document to support the development of the Central Lancashire Local Plan (CLLP). The SHELAA only identifies opportunities for housing and/ or employment development on sites that are considered deliverable, developable and available. It does not allocate sites to be developed, this is the role of the Local Plan.
- 9. The SHELAA methodology, which is to be used to assess the suitability, availability and deliverability of the sites, is included as part of the consultation along side the Issues and Options Document. This is to allow stakeholders the opportunity to view and comment on the process to be used to identify sites which would then be fed in to the Local Plan.
- 10. Any additional sites received during the further call for sites will be added to the SHELAA database and assessed alongside the existing site suggestions. This work will then be used to help refine the list of site suggestions to take forward as part of the preferred options.

INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT(IA) SCOPING REPORT

- 11. The IA Scoping report consultation took place between 12th August and 7th October 2019. A total of 17 responses have been received to the consultation and these have been used to review and revise as necessary the content of the Scoping Report and the IA Framework. A separate report of the IA consultation is being presented to JAC.
- 12. The final IA scoping report will provide the framework for assessment of policies and sites developed as part of the Local Plan.

STRATEGIC FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT (SFRA)

- 13. JBA have been appointed to undertake the work on the SFRA and started work on this earlier this year. Previous updates have informed on the delay to this work due to issues with the data held by LCC. LCC and consultants JBA are working together to digitise the data they hold on their behalf for use in this study. It is envisaged that this work will take around 3 months to complete.
- 14. In addition to the above, there have been changes to the guidance on what should be included in an SFRA, as such this requires additional work to be undertaken which was not included in the original specification. This is not expected to impact further on the timetable for completing the SFRA level 1.

- 15. JBA are working on a revised timetable for completion of the SFRA Level 1 following digitisation of the LCC data. It is expected that the consultants will be able to provide a full update on this for the next JAC in January 2020.
- 16. The results of this work will be available to feed in to the development of the Preferred Options Document, specifically assessing the suggested sites.

HOUSING STUDY

17. Consultants Iceni have produced a draft report on housing numbers and suggested distribution across the 3 councils based on the Standard Method, this is being presented in a separate report to the JAC. This information will be used in the development of the Preferred Option stage of the Local Plan and to inform a revised Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the 3 Councils.

OPEN SPACE AND PLAYING PITCH STRATEGY

18. The Open Space and Playing Pitch Strategies have been completed for Central Lancashire and the finding of this where presented to JAC at the last meeting on the 4th of June. Each Council is now looking at developing locally specific documents based on the findings of this work and identifying any specific infrastructure needs going forward.

PROGRAMME

- 19. From a review of the current Local Pan Timetable it is clear that the current programme has slipped. This is due to a number of factors including delays in recruitment to key roles within the Central Lancashire Local Plan team, as well as the time required to appraise the number of sites which were received through the two call for sites exercises.
- 20. A revised work programme and LDS ae currently being prepared and will be presented at the next JAC in January 2020.

DUTY TO COOPERATE DICUSSIONS

21. To ensure that the we meet our duty to cooperate requirements with Lancashire County Council, meetings have already taken place with education colleagues, with meetings planned with transport and health over the coming months. We are also working closely with LCC on the preparation of a Transport Plan for Central Lancashire.

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ISSUES AND OPTIONS CONSULTATION PROGRAMME

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. To note contents of the report.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

The report provides details of the upcoming consultation on the Local Plan, the programme of consultation events and a demonstration of Citizen Space

Confidential report	Yes	No
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REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

(If the recommendations are accepted)

2. None, information only.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

3. None.

ISSUES AND OPTIONS CONSULTATION TIMETABLE

- 4. The Central Lancashire Local Plan Issues and options consultation is due to commence on Monday the 18th November 2019 and run until Friday 14th February 2020 following approval by the three councils. All consultation material will be available to view online through the Central Lancashire Local Plan websites, with links also available from each of the 3 council websites.
- 5. In addition, we are also employing the use of Citizen Space, our online consultation tool, as the main means of responding to this consultation. The key message to all of our consultees will be to 'get online'. Citizen Space acts as a host for the Local Plan consultation and will contain downloadable copies of the documents out for consultation as well as embedding chapters of the document within the consultation itself, allowing people to read the information from the relevant section of the I&O's document and then answer questions on this as they choose. Consultees need only answer the questions they wish to answer and do not need an email address to use this system.

6. All consultees on the database for the Local Plan will be notified of the forthcoming consultation via email or letter which will include details of how to access the documents on line as well as informing people of the agreed deposit across the 3 councils where hard copies will also be available to view.

CONSULTATION EVENTS

- 7. To enable consultees to respond in an informed manner, each of the councils are proposing to hold a series of consultation events in the form of drop ins during the consultation period. The number and location of the events to be held in each area has been agreed locally with each Council, a full list of events for South Ribble and Chorley is appended to this report. Dates for Preston are still to be confirmed, however preston have confirmed that they will be attending a PAC meeting and holding events in the cntre of Preston during the consultation period.
- 8. The events will provide consultees with the opportunity to view the Issues and Options Document and Evidence base documents as well as plans of any site suggestions which have been received in that area. The events will provide an informal environment at which officers will be on hand to assist is answering any questions people may have.
- 9. Details of the consultation events will be available on line. No booking is required for the events.

DEVELOPER FORUM

10. As part of the consultation on the Local Plan, a Developer Forum has been created. This has been established to provide a forum for ongoing discussions with relevant landowners, site promoters and stakeholders to discuss future development in Central Lancashire. The initial Developer Forum will take place during the 12-week consultation period at a central location. Availability of Council leaders is being sought in order to arrange this Event.

USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

- 11. Social media such as Facebook and Twitter are now commonly used by organisations as a means of getting information out to people about what their business is doing or sharing information about events which are happening in their area. All 3 councils have active Twitter and Facebook accounts and use this to send out information outline
- 12. Social media allows us to connect with people who may not be aware of the Local Plan and what is being produced for Central Lancashire. Preston comms are leading on communication for the Local Plan and the social media information which will be sent out. Each of the Councils is aware of the process and will be retweeting any messages sent out as well as responding to any comments made locally on issues relating to the council.
- 13. Social media allows us to capture the comments of people we may not normally reach or who may not be on our Local Plan database. Any comments made in response to posts on the Local Plan will be captured and documented as part of the consultation process. Anyone who makes comments via these means will be made aware of that fact to allow us to capture their responses.

CONSUTATION VIDEO

14. A short video explaining that the three councils are working together to prepare a Joint Plan and that we are currently consulting on this is being prepared. This will be used at the consultation events, will be placed on our websites and used on social media to grab

people's attention and seek their involvement in the Local Plan.

YOUTH QUESTIONNAIRE

15. As part of this consultation, a questionnaire targeting 11-21-year olds has been prepared to engage this group in the development of the Local Plan. This a group who will be directly affected in years to come by the decisions made to develop the area today and as such it is considered important that we engage with them. As we develop the plan, we will continue to look at ways of engaging this age group and capturing their thoughts on what Central Lancashire should look like in 15 years.

WEBSITE

16. Updates to the website will be added which will include information on the Issues and Options Consultation. The website will include information on the timeframe of the consultation and how to view and respond to the documents. It will host the Issues and Option consultation and links to where the evidence base documents which have been prepared and used can be found. The website will also include a link to take you to the online response form on Citizen Space.

POSTERS AND POST CARD FLYERS

- 17. At each of the deposit points we will have posters informing people of the consultation taking place when to make their comments by. Where possible, we will also have at each of the consultation event locations to let people who use those buildings or live in the area and may not use the website, know that there is a public event happening and they can come along to find out more about the Local Plan.
- 18. We will also have an A5 postcard flyers which will be placed in locations throughout Central Lancashire. This is simple in design and lets people know there is a new Local Plan being prepared and where to go to find out more. These will not be date specific so that they can stay in locations following the close of the consultation.

FAQs

19. We have developed a simple FAQ help sheet which provides simple answers to questions regularly asked as we want this consultation to be as accessible as possible.

ENGAGEMENT WITH STATUTORY BODIES AND OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES

- 20. Maintaining effective cooperation is a key component of the plan making process as set out in paragraphs 24 to 27 of the NPPF, and para 24 in particular identifies that Local planning authorities and county councils (in two tier areas) are under a duty to cooperate with each other. To ensure that the we meet our duty to cooperate requirements with Lancashire County Council, meetings have already taken place with education colleagues, with meetings planned with transport and health over the coming months. We are also working closely with LCC on the preparation of a Transport Plan for Central Lancashire.
- 21. In addition to cooperation with LCC, we also need to engage in discussions with neighbouring and other relevant authorities and bodies as necessary and contact will be made as required throughout the development of the Local Plan.

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APPENDIX 1: CONSULTATION DROP IN EVENT DETAILS

NB dates in green are not public events

Authority	Ward/ Neighbourhood Area	Weekday	Date	Time	Venue
Chorley	Parish Liasion	Wednesday	16/10/2019	6-7pm	Town Hall, Chorley
Chorley	Member Learning Session	Monday	11/11/2019	6-7pm	Town Hall, Chorley
Chorley	Member Training/Demonstration	Monday	18/11/2019	5.30- 6.30pm	Town Hall, Chorley
Chorley	Member Training/Demonstration	Tuesday	19/11/2019	5.30- 6.30pm	Town Hall, Chorley
South Ribble	Leyland	Wednesday	20/11/2019		Leyland Civic Centre
Chorley	Brindle and Hoghton	Thursday	21/11/2019	•	Brindle Communtiy Hall
Chorley	Euxton North	Wednesday	27/11/2019	4-7pm	St Mary's Church, Euxton
South Ribble	Eastern	Thursday	28/11/2019	1-3 / 5- 7pm	Samlesbury Memoria Hall
Chorley	Clayton le woods North	Thursday	28/11/2019	4-7pm	Clayton Brook Community Centre
Chorley	Pennine	Monday	02/12/2019	4-7pm	St Chads Parish Centre
South Ribble	Central	Tuesday	03/12/2019	1-3 / 5-7	Lostock Hall Library
Chorley	Borough /Clerks Liaison		03/12/2019	2pm	Committee Rm1 Town Hall
Chorley	Chorley South West	Wednesday	04/12/2019	4-7pm	Eaves Green Community Centre
South Ribble	Penwortham	Tuesday	10/12/2019	1-3 / 5-7	Penwortham Community Centre

Authority	Ward/ Neighbourhood Area	Weekday	Date	Time	Venue
Chorley	Heath Charnock and Rivington	Wednesday	11/12/2019	4-7pm	Rivington Foundation Primary School
Chorley	Wheelton and Withnell	Tuesday	17/12/2019	4-7pm	Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall
Chorley	Lostock (Bretherton, Croston and Ulnes Walton)	Wednesday	18/12/2019	4-7pm	Old School Hall, Croston
South Ribble	Western	Wednesday	08/01/2020	1-3 / 5- 7pm	Longton Library
Chorley	Eccleston and Mawdesley	Thursday	09/01/2020	3.45- 6.45	Mawdesley Village Hall
Chorley	Adlington and Anderton	Tuesday	14/01/2020	4-7pm	Adlington & District Community Centre, Railway Road
Chorley	Chorley North East	Wednesday	15/01/2020	4-7pm	All Seasons Leisure Centre, Chorley
Chorley	Coppull	Tuesday	21/01/2020	4-7pm	Coppull Library
Chorley	Astley and Buckshaw	Wednesday	22/01/2020	6-8pm	Astley Village Community Centre
Chorley	Chorley East	Thursday	23/01/2020	4- 6.30pm	Tatton Community Centre
Chorley	Chorley Town Centre	Saturday	25/01/2020	10-1pm	Chorley Central Library
Chorley	Euxton South	Tuesday	28/01/2020	4-7pm	Euxton Methodist Church Hall
Chorley	Chisnall (covering Charnock Richard, Heskin and Coppull West	Wednesday	29/01/2020	4-7pm	Heskin Village Hall
Chorley	Chorley North West	Tuesday	04/02/2020	5-8pm	St Michael's CE High School, Chorley
Chorley	Clayton le Woods West and Curerden	Thursday	06/02/2020	4-7pm	Lancaster Lane Community Primary School Whittle-le-Woods Community hall / Village
Chorley	Clayton le Woods and Whittle le Woods	Tuesday	11/02/2020	4-7pm	hall
Chorley	Chorley South East	Wednesday	12/02/2020	4-7pm	St George's CE Primary School, Chorley

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Central Lancashire

Report of	Meeting	Date
Central Lancashire Planning Local Plan Coordinator	Central Lancashire Strategic Planning Joint Advisory Committee	28/10/2019

INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. To note contents of the report and support the changes proposed.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

The report provides details on the outcome of the consultation on the Integrated Assessment (IA) Scoping Report and the changes proposed to the IA Framework following the comments received.

Confidential report	Yes	No
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REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

(If the recommendations are accepted)

2. To note the contents of the report.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

3. None.

IA SCOPING REPORT CONSULTATION

- 4. An IA Scoping Report has been prepared to assess the Local Plan. The IA will be undertaken alongside the key stages of plan preparation (preferred Options, Publication and Submission). The IA is an iterative process which considers the impacts of emerging policies and proposes policy alterations or mitigation requirements for any adverse impacts identified.
- 5. The IA includes 3 separate but complimentary assessments in order to inform the development of the Local Plan. These are Sustainability Appraisal (SA) incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA), Health Impact Assessment (HIA) and Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA).
- 6. Consultation on the IA Scoping report took place over an 8 week period between 12th August 2019 and 7th October 2019. A total of 17 responses were received to this consultation, and included the following:

- Environment Agency
- Natural England
- Historic England
- Coal Authority
- Highways England
- United Utilities
- Lancashire County Council
- Local Councils Preston CC & Fylde
- Parish Councils Whittingham, Woodplumpton & Grimsargh
- Local Business
- Local resident
- Local Councillor
- 7. A consultation outcomes report has been prepared and is attached for information. This sets out a summary of the responses received and the proposed changes to the IA as a result of this. The consultation responses have identified new documents which can be added to the review of Plans, Policies, Programmes, Strategies and Initiatives (PPPSI) to help inform or update existing documents which have/will inform the development of the Local Plan.
- 8. There are also some proposed additions to the assessment criteria for the IA Objectives to ensure that the policies are assessed in a way which will help ensure the IA Objectives are achieved.
- A number of responses also highlighted potential approaches which could be used to help develop the monitoring framework for the Local Plan. The points raised will be picked up through the development of the Preferred options document and specifically the indicators for the Local Plan.
- 10. The responses received on the Scoping Report were in general supportive of the framework proposed and no issues with the approach have been identified. Therefore, the amendments discussed above will be used to finalise the IA framework which will then be used to assess the Local Plan.

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Report of	Meeting	Date
Director of Early Intervention and Support, Chorley Council	Central Lancashire Strategic Planning Joint Advisory Committee	28 October 2019

CORE STRATEGY MONITORING REPORT 2018/19

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To update Members on the latest Core Strategy Monitoring Report.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

2. That the report be noted.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

3. The Core Strategy Monitoring Report covers the period from April 2018 to March 2019. Monitoring policy implementation is achieved by reporting against a broad range of indicators taken from the Central Lancashire Core Strategy monitoring framework. Taken together the indicators provide a comprehensive evidence base on which to inform policy implementation, delivery and review.

Confidential report	Yes	No
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BACKGROUND

- 4. The purpose of the Core Strategy Monitoring Report is to assess the effectiveness of the Core Strategy policies and the extent to which policies are being successfully implemented. Monitoring is an essential and integral part of the plan-making process and is the means by which we establish what is happening now and what is likely to happen in the future. It also checks whether the policies in the Core Strategy are being applied as intended. The Central Lancashire Core Strategy was adopted in July 2012.
- 5. The Core Strategy Monitoring Report is attached at Appendix 1.

MAIN FINDINGS

6. The main findings of the report are set out below:

Homes for All

7. During the monitoring year 1,795 dwellings were completed in Central Lancashire, 454 units above the target of 1,341. The dwelling completion targets have been exceeded in Chorley and Preston but there is under provision in South Ribble. The number of dwellings completed

during recent years is shown below for each Central Lancashire authority along with the Central Lancashire total:

Chorley (net) dwelling completions 2010-2019

Plan Period	Delivered	Target	Surplus/Deficit
April 2010 – March 2011	527	417	110
April 2011 – March 2012	552	417	135
April 2012 – March 2013	638	417	221
April 2013 – March 2014	582	417	165
April 2014 – March 2015	723	417	306
April 2015 – March 2016	597	417	180
April 2016 - March 2017	517	417	100
April 2017 – March 2018	661	417	244
April 2018 – March 2019	573	417	156

Preston (net) dwelling completions 2010-2019

Plan Period	Delivered *	Target	Surplus/Deficit
April 2010 - March 2011	178	507	-329
April 2011 – March 2012	325	507	-182
April 2012 – March 2013	272	507	-235
April 2013 – March 2014	254	507	-253
April 2014 – March 2015	613	507	106
April 2015 – March 2016	395	507	-112
April 2016 – March 2017	804	507	297
April 2017 – March 2018	634	507	127
April 2018 – March 2019	785	507	278

^{*}Includes empty homes brought back into use.

South Ribble (net) dwelling completions 2010-2019

Plan Period	Delivered	Target	Surplus/Deficit
April 2010 - March 2011	221	417	-196
April 2011 – March 2012	170	417	-247
April 2012 – March 2013	168	417	-249
April 2013 – March 2014	346	417	-71
April 2014 – March 2015	486	417	69
April 2015 – March 2016	371	417	-46
April 2016 - March 2017	189	417	-228
April 2017 – March 2018	318	417	-99
April 2018 – March 2019	491	417	74

Central Lancashire total (net) dwelling completions 2010-2019

Plan Period	Delivered	Target	Surplus/Deficit
April 2010 - March 2011	926	1,341	-415
April 2011 – March 2012	1,047	1,341	-294
April 2012 – March 2013	1,078	1,341	-263
April 2013 – March 2014	1,182	1,341	-159
April 2014 – March 2015	1,822	1,341	481
April 2015 – March 2016	1,363	1,341	22

Total	12,336	12,069	269
April 2018 – March 2019	1,849	1,341	508
April 2017 – March 2018	1,613	1,341	272
April 2016 – March 2017	1,510	1,341	169

- 8. The Preston, South Ribble and Lancashire City Deal (2013) is helping to improve future housing delivery across the City Deal area (Preston City Council and South Ribble Borough Council area) and seeks to secure the necessary strategic infrastructure to deliver some 17,420 new homes over the period to 2024.
- 9. Affordable Housing Core Strategy Policy 7 requires market housing schemes to deliver affordable housing as on-site provision or via off-site provision/financial contributions. The amount of affordable housing required to be delivered is dependent on a sites location, size and such considerations as financial viability. During the year (April 2018 March 2019) a total of 512 affordable dwellings have been delivered across Central Lancashire consisting of 202 in Chorley, 213 in Preston and 97 in South Ribble. Together this exceeded the Core Strategy target of 126 by 386 dwellings.

Affordable Housing Completions 2017-2018

Authority	Affordable Housing Completions (April 2017 - March 2019)	Target
Chorley	202	50
Preston	213	46
South Ribble	97	30
Total	512	126

Delivering Economic Prosperity

- 10. Employment land take up is below the Core Strategy target at the current rate.
- 11. Steps have been taken to manage the delivery of employment land in order to promote development. In Chorley this includes promoting and increasing inward investment in Chorley and bringing forward key employment sites allocated in the Chorley Local Plan. In addition, the Preston, South Ribble and Lancashire City Deal aims to create 20,000 new jobs across the City Deal area over the next 10 years.

Employment Land Take Up 2018-2019

Authority	Employment Land Take-up 2018-19	Total Take-up Since 2009 (ha)	Target
Chorley	3.31	32.57	112
Preston	2.2	29.54	118.5
South Ribble	1.62	46.32	223.5
Total	7.13	108.43	454

NEXT STEPS

12. The monitoring results set out above show an above target housing delivery for Central Lancashire as a whole that is significantly higher than most previous monitoring years. The Preston, South Ribble and Lancashire City Deal (2013) is helping to improve future housing delivery across the City Deal area (Preston City Council and South Ribble Borough Council area).

- 13. In relation to employment, take-up is below the Core Strategy target however delivery initiatives have been set up to secure and deliver such development in the near future. We are committed to taking a longer-term view of monitoring information to provide an adequate impression of trends over time.
- 14. The Monitoring Report monitors Core Strategy indicators on an annual basis so as to provide consistency and continuity to the monitoring process and to allow for trend analysis and will provide a comprehensive evidence base on which to inform policy development and a local plan review (the emerging Central Lancashire Local Plan).

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Central Lancashire Local Development Framework

Central Lancashire Core Strategy Monitoring Report

Covering the period April 2018 - March 2019



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Introduction

The Joint Central Lancashire Core Strategy has been produced by the Central Lancashire authorities of Chorley, Preston and South Ribble and was adopted in July 2012; it is a key part of the Local Development Framework. This is the Seventh Monitoring Report of the performance indicators of the Core Strategy (please see Appendix D of the Core Strategy), and contains data for Chorley, Preston and South Ribble Councils.

Adopted Central Lancashire Core Strategy Indicators

1. Provision of housing developments by location

Related Policy: Policy 1 - Locating Growth

Location of housing completions 2018/19

Location	No. of dwellings completed 2018/19	% of dwellings completed 2018/19	Central Lancashire target (%)
Preston/South Ribble Urban Area	902	48.8%	48%
(Within Strategic Sites and Locations)	(549)	(26.7%)	(25%)
Buckshaw Village	129	7%	10%
Key Service Centre	332	18%	25%
Urban Local Service Centre	232	12.5%	9%
Rural Local Service Centres and elsewhere	254	13.7%	8%
Total	1,849	100%	100%

^{*} Included within 48% for Preston/South Ribble UA

Table 1 of the Core Strategy establishes the predicted proportion of housing development across Central Lancashire until 2026. The number of new homes built in the Preston/South Ribble Urban area in 2018/19 was slightly below the predicted proportion.

The Preston, South Ribble and Lancashire City Deal, agreed with government in September 2013, will help to improve future housing delivery across the City Deal area and seeks to secure the necessary strategic infrastructure to deliver some 17,420 new homes over the next 10 years.

The number of dwellings constructed across Central Lancashire in 2018/19 increased by 236 dwellings compared to the 2017/18 Monitoring Report. There was a higher proportion of dwellings built in the Preston and South Ribble Urban Area and in Key Service Centre locations than elsewhere in Central Lancashire in the monitoring period. There was also an increase in the number of dwellings constructed in the Rural Local Service Centres and elsewhere.

More sites allocated in the 3 Local Plans are now coming forward. It is likely that there will be more development on Strategic Sites, although development at Buckshaw Village is nearing full capacity. The targets set for locations of development in the Core Strategy will be achieved in the future.

Location of housing completions 2012-2019

Location	No. of dwellings completed 2012-2019	% of dwellings completed 2012-2019	Central Lancashire target (%)
Preston/ S Ribble Urban area *(within strategic sites and locations)	3,914 (1,423)	38.3% (13.9%)	48% (25%)*
Buckshaw Village	1527	14.9%	10%
Key Service Centre	2,078	20.3%	25%
Urban Local Service Centre	1,443	14.1%	9%
Rural Local Service Centres and elsewhere	1,272	12.4%	8%
Total	10,234	100%	100%

^{*} Included within 48% for Preston/South Ribble UA

Over the monitoring period (2012/13–2018/19), the majority of all housing developments have occurred within the Preston/ South Ribble Urban Area (38% in total) as envisaged by the Central Lancashire Core Strategy. 13.9% of development within the Preston and South Ribble Urban Area has been within the Strategic Sites and Locations. This is expected to increase rapidly in the coming years with the help of City Deal securing necessary strategic infrastructure. This is supported by the fact that a number of developers are currently on site in strategic locations such as North West Preston.

A higher percentage of development than envisaged by the Core Strategy has occurred across the period in Buckshaw Village (14.9% of all development) due to higher than expected completion rates because of the attraction of this centrally located site within the housing market.

Development within Key Service Centres, Urban Local Service Centres and Rural Local Service Centres and elsewhere has not generally been in line with the proportion of development envisaged in those locations by the Core Strategy.

2. Value of Developer Contributions Collected (and spent on infrastructure priorities)

Related Policy: Policy 2 - Infrastructure

Local Authority	S106 contributions collected	S106 contributions spent	CIL collected	CIL spent on 123 List	CIL transferred to Parish Councils
Chorley	£3,221,985.07	£4,992,504.26	£5,007,578.23	£417,418.00	£750,251.54
Preston	£1,635,596.60	£151,097.00	£3,216,366.98	£2,643,254.91	£390,490.70
South Ribble	£539,849	£28,288	£385,095.02	£39,679.92	£4562.94

The above table shows the amount of S106 contributions and CIL collected by each authority. Preston transferred £2,643,254.91 of the CIL collected to LCC to spend on the 123 List. South Ribble will transfer £39,679.92 of the CIL collected to LCC to spend on

the 123 list. Chorley spent £417,418.00 of the CIL collected on the 123 List in the monitoring period. As the table above shows, CIL monies have been transferred to the relevant Parish Councils as per the CIL regulations.

3. Changes to Road Traffic Volume

Related Policy: Policy 3 - Travel

The Department for Transport carries out traffic monitoring in the Central Lancashire area. The tables below show the 7 day average figures for each of the 6 locations selected in Chorley, Preston and South Ribble. These will be monitored each year so will show any trends up or down in the future. The monitoring sites are in locations known to experience significant volumes of traffic.

Chorley Data Traffic Counts

Year	Location					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
2012	9040	6701	24849	12762	5232	13173
2013	8995	6241	24838	12763	5185	13137
2014	9211	6390	23565	13162	5294	13531
2015	9236	6404	24557	13449	5287	13808
2016	9508	6554	25342	13854	5320	14204
2017	9974	6622	25322	16492	4219	14191
2018	12048	6658	23174	16348	4218	9916

Location of Monitoring Sites in Chorley

- 1 A49, South of Coppull Moor Lane, Coppull (CP 28446)
- 2 A5106 Wigan Lane, W of A6, Coppull (CP 73686)
- 3 A59, Windgate, S of Carr House Lane, Bretherton (CP 26594)
- 4 A6 Preston Road, S of Moss Lane, Whittle-le-Woods (CP 56153)
- 5 A581, Highfield Road, Croston (CP 2732)
- 6 A49, Wigan Road, S of A5083, Clayton-le-Woods (CP 36529)

Preston Data

Traffic Counts

Year	Location					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
2012	22100	37262	24470	17807	44779	29558
2013	22079	37075	24537	17792	44618	28169
2014	22711	38513	25247	18361	41138	28965
2015	23650	38082	26325	16484	40745	30610
2016	24414	34669	22670	16956	46131	31562

2017	24367	32472	23612	16843	41961	29334
2018	_*	32192	23696	16715	42024	29358

Location of Monitoring Sites in Preston

- 1 A6 Garstang Road, S of Woodplumpton Road, Broughton (CP 56155)
- (*Broughton Bypass opened Oct 2017, no equivalent site)
- 2 A6 London Road, Salmon Street (CP 8526)
- 3 A59 Brockholes Brow, W of River Ribble (CP 7709)
- 4 A5085 Blackpool Road, E of A6063 (CP 1766)
- 5 A59 Guild Way, New Ribble Bridge (CP 3867)
- 6 A583 Blackpool Road, W of Riversway (CP 1725)

South Ribble Data

Traffic Counts

Year		Location				
	1	2	3	4	5	6
2012	24495	26962	18337	39533	25083	34009
2013	24403	26841	18309	38889	25136	33899
2014	24671	26960	18831	39830	23103	31591
2015	24468	26661	17664	38558	24087	32836
2016	24238	26330	18217	39445	24872	33882
2017	24667	29287	18139	40504	24859	33762
2018	24727	29304	18177	40662	25361	32894

Location of Monitoring Sites in South Ribble

- 1 A582 Penwortham Way, S of Lodge Lane, Farington Moss (CP 28720)
- 2 A6 London Way, N of B6230 (CP 18511)
- 3 A59 Liverpool Road, S of Hutton Roundabout (CP 56605)
- 4 A6 South Ribble Way, S of A582, Farington (CP 99554)
- 5 A6 Lostock Lane, W of M6 J29a, Bamber Bridge (CP 28555)
- 6 A59 Preston New Road, W of Cuerdale Lane, Samlesbury (CP 165676)

At 4 of the 6 traffic count point locations in Chorley traffic levels have reduced over the period 2018/19 following increases recorded during 2012-2018; 2 out of 5 in Preston have reduced and 0 of South Ribble's have reduced whilst the rest have risen. It is expected that traffic levels will rise generally as new development occurs throughout the sub region. Traffic levels on individual routes will be affected by general levels of traffic growth and localised development but also by new road schemes and complementary traffic measures put in place to cope with the extra traffic associated with this development. It is also necessary to ensure that appropriate sustainable transport infrastructure is put in place as part of development, to try and reduce the number of cars on the road. This report will continue to monitor traffic volumes/trends in Central Lancashire.

The Central Lancashire Highways and Transport Masterplan (March 2013) represents Lancashire County Council's priorities for future investment in highways and transport

across Central Lancashire and a delivery programme to 2026 which will see new road space built, public transport prioritised across key corridors into Preston and between Leyland and Chorley, and public realm improvements in city, town and local centres.

The description of Monitoring Sites above includes a 'Count Point' (CP) id for each location (e.g. CP 2872). Traffic data from 2000 for these and all Count Points in Central Lancashire and nationwide can be viewed on the Department for Transport's website (at www.dft.gov.uk/traffic-counts).

4. Net Additional Dwellings Completed

Related Policy: Policy 4 - Housing Delivery

Local Authority	Housing Completions 2018/19	Target
Chorley	573	417
Preston	785	507
South Ribble	491	417
Total	1,849	1,341

The total number of dwellings completed in all three authorities is 508 units above the target of 1,341 set in the Core Strategy. This is higher by 236 units on last year. The dwelling completion targets have been exceeded by all the authorities.

In Chorley, Buckshaw Village and Chorley Town have seen the highest completions. In Preston sites such as Cottam and North West Preston allocated in the adopted Local Plan are coming forward for development/being completed. In South Ribble development has taken place between Brindle Road, Heatherleigh and Altcar Lane.

The Preston, South Ribble and Lancashire City Deal (2013) is helping to improve future housing delivery across the City Deal area (Preston City Council and South Ribble Borough Council area) and seeks to secure the necessary strategic infrastructure to deliver some 17,420 new homes over the period to 2024.

5. Affordable Housing

Related Policy: Policy 7 - Affordable Housing

Local Authority	Affordable Housing Completions 2018-19	Target
Chorley	202	50
Preston	213	46
South Ribble	97	30
Total	512	126

Core Strategy Policy 7 requires market housing schemes to deliver affordable housing as on-site provision or via off-site provision/financial contributions. The amount of affordable housing required to be delivered is dependent on a sites location, size and such considerations as financial viability.

The definition of 'affordable housing' also includes shared equity products (for example Home Buy) that are agreed after planning consent has been granted therefore, net dwelling completion figures and affordable housing completions comparable.

The total of 512 affordable dwellings delivered across Central Lancashire exceeded the Core Strategy overall target of 126 dwellings by 386. This figure is higher than the overall figure last year of 409 affordable dwellings.

6. Employment Land Take-Up

Related Policy: Policy 9 - Economic Growth and Employment

Local Authority	Employment Land Take-Up 2018-19 (ha)	Total Take-Up Since 2009 (ha)	Target 2010-26 (ha)
Chorley	3.29	32.55*	112
Preston	2.2	29.54	118.5
South Ribble	1.62	46.32	223.5
Total	7.11	108.41	454.0

[•] For Chorley 0.24ha has been deleted from the Total Take up (Chorley) since 2009. This relates to A2 uses (Financial and Professional services) added during 2012, 2014, 2016 which are not monitored in the above figures.

Employment land take up is below the Core Strategy target at the current rate. However, steps have been taken to manage the delivery of employment land in order to promote development.

In Chorley this includes promoting and increasing inward investment in Chorley and bringing forward key employment sites allocated in the Chorley Local Plan.

In addition, the Preston, South Ribble and Lancashire City Deal aims to create 20,000 new jobs across the City Deal area over the next 10 years.

The total employment land take-up in the Central Lancashire area as a whole since 2009 (108.41 ha) has increased by 7.11 ha compared to last year 4.21 ha.

7. Working Age Population Qualified to NVQ Level 4 or higher

Related Policy: Policy 15 - Skills and Economic Inclusion

Chorley	Preston	South Ribble	North West
28,100 or 41.1%	38,600 or 42.4%	27,300 or 41.2%	35.5%

Source: ONS/Nomis 2018 Crown Copyright

In terms of education and skills monitoring the Core Strategy aims to achieve a performance better or equal to the regional average.

According to recent statistics a higher proportion of the working-age population in Chorley, Preston and South Ribble are qualified to NVQ level 4 or higher than the region

as a whole and Great Britain (39.3%). Preston's figure has increased above the regional average for the current monitoring year for the first time in 3 consecutive years.

The Central Lancashire authorities adopted an Employment Skills SPD in September 2017 in order to ensure new development proposals consider the economic impact of development and improve the skills of local people to enable them to take advantage of the resulting employment opportunities.

8. Number of Heritage Assets at Risk

Related Policy: Policy 16 - Heritage Assets

Local Authority	Heritage Assets at Risk
Chorley	Bank Hall, Liverpool Road, Bretherton (Category D)
	Lower Burgh Hall, Coppull New Road, Chorley (Category F)
	Buckshaw Hall, Euxton Lane, Euxton (Category E)
	Bretters Farm moated site and two fishponds (declining condition)
	Ingrave Farm moated site (improving condition)
Preston	Church of St George the Martyr, Georges Road (Category C)
	Wing of Former Barton Old Hall, circa 20m south of Old Hall Farmhouse,
	Fishergate Hill Preston – Conservation area
South Ribble	Woodfold Park, (declining condition, although none of the buildings at risk
	are within South Ribble), the park is within Blackburn with Darwen, Ribble
	Valley and South Ribble Local Authorities areas and is in multiple, private
	ownership.

Source: Historic England – Heritage/Buildings at Risk Register

The Core Strategy aims to prevent the increase or reduce the number of heritage assets at risk in Central Lancashire.

There remain three buildings at risk in Chorley with the condition of these buildings showing some improvement in recent years. Structural works are in an advanced state at Bank Hall, Bretherton, which are due to be completed by September 2019 with internal fit out following, at which stage it can then be removed from the register. There are also two scheduled monuments at risk at Ingrave Farm and Bretters Farm.

In Preston, the Church of St George the Martyr, the Wing of Former Barton Old Hall, Jepps Lane and Fishergate Hill remain on the list, whilst Preston 7th day Adventist Church (Category F) and Jepps Lane (Category C) have been removed from the register

Woodfold Park, of which only a small part of the parkland is within South Ribble, is a registered park and garden which is listed as Grade II. The park is in multiple private ownership.

9. Higher Quality Building Design

Related Policy: Policy 17 - Design of New Buildings

All developments in Chorley are considered against the criteria set out in Policy 17 and the Adopted Central Lancashire Design SPD. In addition, policies included in the Built

and Natural Environment section of the Chorley Local Plan, including BNE1: Design Criteria for New Development ensure that high design quality is achieved.

Chorley has not used Building for Life (BfL) for any schemes for a number of years.

All housing developments in Preston have been considered against the design policy criteria in the Adopted Design SPD which uses the principles set out in the BfL standard (originally launched in Sep 2012 and updated in Jan 2015 - this is called Building for Life 12 - BFL12). Preston uses the BFL scheme for all major developments, not just those over 5 ha.

All housing developments in South Ribble have been considered against the criteria set out in Policy 17 Design of New Buildings and the Adopted Central Lancashire Design SPD which uses the principles set out in the BfL standard (originally launched in September 2012 and updated in January 2015 - this is called Building for Life 12 – BfL12). As well as this, developments are also considered against policy G17–Design Criteria for New Development of the South Ribble Local Plan (2015).

Due to changes in the BfL Scheme the target in Indicator 9 is now out of date and needs re wording.

10. Amount of Sport, Recreation and Informal Open Space lost to other uses

Related Policy: Policy 18 - Green Infrastructure

Local Authority	Loss of Open Space
Chorley	Nil
Preston	Nil
South Ribble	Nil

The Core Strategy aims to avoid the unmitigated loss of sport, recreation and informal open space across Central Lancashire.

In Preston, Chorley and South Ribble there has been no loss of sport, recreation and informal open space in the monitoring period.

11. Change of areas of biodiversity importance

Related Policy: Policy 22 - Biodiversity

Local Authority	Loss of Areas of Biodiversity Importance
Chorley	Natural England (regional, national and international sites) has informed there have been no net losses in areas designated for their environmental value in Chorley during this monitoring period.
Preston	Natural England (regional, national and international sites) has informed there have been no net losses in areas designated for their environmental value in Preston during this monitoring period.
South Ribble	Natural England (regional, national and international sites)

has informed there have been no net losses in areas
designated for their environmental value in South Ribble
during this monitoring period.

The Core Strategy seeks to protect areas of biodiversity importance across Central Lancashire. Over the last three year monitoring period there have been no losses in areas of biodiversity importance across the three authorities.

The Central Lancashire Biodiversity and Nature Conservation Supplementary Planning Document SPD (July 2015) provides guidance on the interpretation and implementation of the relevant Central Lancashire policies on biodiversity and sets out what is required as part of the planning process. This includes guidance in relation to ecological networks.

12. Improving Community Health

Related Policy: Policy 23: Health

Local Authority	Consents Granted on Strategic Sites and Locations Without a Health Impact Assessment (HIA)
Chorley	No applications were received that require a HIA in this monitoring period.
Preston	Preston ensure that applications on North West Preston Strategic Site meet the principles set out in the HIA which was carried out for the North West Preston Strategic Location Master plan (December 2013).
South Ribble	No applications have had consents granted that require an HIA in this monitoring period.

Health Impact Assessments (HIA) are required for major planning applications on Strategic Sites and Locations. Preston and South Ribble have had a HIA undertaken within the previous monitoring period. Preston's being for the North West Preston Strategic Location and the location in South Ribble being the Cuerden Strategic Site. However, South Ribble has not granted consent on any Strategic Sites without a HIA in this monitoring period.

13. Planning to Adapt to Climate Change

Related Policy: Policy 27: Sustainable Resources and New Developments

In March 2015 the Deregulation Act received Royal Assent which proposed that all energy efficiency standards will be included in Building Regulations. As a result the Code for Sustainable Homes was withdrawn. The Code for the Sustainable Homes requirement in Policy 27 is therefore no longer relevant.

The Government set out transitional arrangements until energy efficiency standards are included in Building Regulations which allow local authorities to continue to apply policies in their Local Plans that require compliance with energy efficiency standards that exceed Building Regulations.

In accordance with the transitional arrangements, the three authorities are requiring all new dwellings to achieve a minimum Dwelling Emission Rate (DER) of 19% above 2013

Building Regulations which is equivalent to Code Level 4 energy requirements. Compliance with other aspects of the Code for Sustainable Homes are no longer required.

All other new developments in the three areas have achieved a BREEAM rating of 'very good' in accordance with Policy 27.

Appendix One

Monitored Policies of the Adopted Central Lancashire Core Strategy

The following policies are those within the Performance Monitoring Framework of the Adopted Central Lancashire Core Strategy (Appendix D):

- 1. Policy 1: Locating Growth
- 2. Policy 2: Infrastructure
- 3. Policy 3: Travel
- 4. Policy 4: Housing Delivery
- 5. Policy 7: Affordable Housing
- 6. Policy 9: Economic Growth and Employment
- 7. Policy 15: Skills and Economic Inclusion
- 8. Policy 16: Heritage Assets
- 9. Policy 17: Design of New Buildings
- 10. Policy 18: Green Infrastructure/Sport and Recreation
- 11. Policy 22: Biodiversity
- 12. Policy 23: Health
- 13. Policy 27: Sustainable Resources and New Developments

