

**CORPORATE AND ENVIRONMENTAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
SUMMARY OF OUTCOME – TOPIC SCORING EXERCISE  
20 SEPTEMBER 2019**

**Topics – Score 1-4 (Reject)**

<b>Topic Ref No.</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
<b>1</b>	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Police Visibility (Skelmersdale)	<p>It was concluded that although there is some evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims and priorities these are only indirectly.</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and that the details be referred to Lancashire Police Constabulary for response in respect of the relevant issues raised.</p>
<b>2</b>	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Speeding Traffic A570 Scarisbrick	<p>It was concluded that although there is some evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims and priorities these are only indirectly. The matter raised should be referred to LCC as the responsible Authority for Highways and to Lancashire Constabulary for comments and response.</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and that the details be referred to LCC and Lancashire Police Constabulary for response in respect of the relevant issues raised.</p>

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3	(A member of the public)	Mini Roundabout at St Helens Rd, Knowsley Rd, Small Lane	<p>It was concluded that although there is some evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims and priorities these are only indirectly. The matter highlighted should be referred to LCC as the responsible authority for highways. .</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and that the details be referred to LCC as the responsible highways authority.</p>
4	(A member of the public)	Reduce volume, speed of traffic, encourage use of bikes	<p>It was concluded that although there is some evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims and priorities these are only indirectly. A review of speed limits near schools and a review of cycling in West Lancashire has already been subjects of in-depth scrutiny review. The reports are available at:-</p> <p><a href="https://www.westlancs.gov.uk/media/69170/os-report-speeding-traffic.pdf">https://www.westlancs.gov.uk/media/69170/os-report-speeding-traffic.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.westlancs.gov.uk/media/69143/cycling-in-west-lancs-final-review-report-may-2013.pdf">https://www.westlancs.gov.uk/media/69143/cycling-in-west-lancs-final-review-report-may-2013.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and that the matters be referred to LCC.</p>
5	(A member of the public)	Restore and promote Skelmersdale Pathways and Cycleways	<p>It was concluded that although there is good evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims but not to the Council's current priorities.</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and that the matters be raised with WLBC housing and Inclusion Services and relevant service at LCC.</p>

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6	<i>(Clerk to Bickerstaffe PC)</i>	Shortage of Police Resources in West Lancs	<p>It was concluded that although there is some evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims and priorities these are only indirectly.</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and that the details be referred to the relevant Portfolio Holder to raise at the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel and that the matter is raised with Lancashire Police Constabulary for response in respect of the relevant issues raised.</p>
7	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Development of Wildflower and Wooded sites	<p>It was concluded that the matter was already being addressed by Leisure and Environment Services</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and that the details be referred to the Director Leisure and Environment for response.</p>
8	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Bridge over Canal from Heathfields Estate, Burscough	<p>It was concluded that although there is some evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims and priorities these are only indirectly.</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and the matter be referred to the Director of Development and Regeneration for response in respect of developments of the bridge and that other related issues be passed to the Canal and River Trust and LCC.</p>
9	<i>(Councillor C Cooper)</i>	Implement Good Verge Guide – Wildflower and Roundabout	<p>It was concluded that the matter was already being addressed by Leisure and Environment Services</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and that the details be referred to the Director Leisure and Environment for response.</p>

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10	(Councillor C Coughlan)	Review Vulnerable Tenants Policy	<p>It was concluded that although there is good evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims but not to the Council's current priorities. Details relating to the Allocations Policy with reference to Vulnerable Tenants:-</p> <p><a href="https://www.westlancls.gov.uk/media/544569/allocations-policy-october-2018.pdf">https://www.westlancls.gov.uk/media/544569/allocations-policy-october-2018.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review.</b></p>
12	(A member of the public)	Roundabouts and public spaces (wildflower planting, weed control, litter picking, cycle lanes, canal towpath, tree planting, restriction for HGV's using Church Rd, Rufford)	<p>It was concluded that although there is some evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims and priorities these are only indirectly.</p> <p>It was established that the issue relating to weed control had been addressed:-</p> <p><a href="https://democracy.westlancls.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=8320">https://democracy.westlancls.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=8320</a></p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b> and that the further issues be referred to the Director of Leisure and Environment, Canal and River Trust and LCC for their response.</p>

**Topic Score 5-6 (Possible topic for scrutiny)**

Topic Ref No.	Source	Topic	Outcome
11	(Councillor C Coughlan)	Review of Financial Inclusion Policy	<p>It was concluded that there is good evidence linking the topic to Council's key aims but not to the Council's current priorities, although it was concluded that there may be substantial benefits for a substantial proportion of the Community.</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Possible topic for in-depth review.</b></p>
13	(WLBC)	Review of Public Conveniences	<p>It was concluded that there is good evidence linking the topic to Council's key aims and priorities and could lead to benefits for a moderate proportion of the community.</p> <p>Further information in relation to possible in-depth Review can be found in the links below (Minute 14R – Extraordinary Council 10.7.19) <a href="http://democracy.westlancsdc.local/mgAi.aspx?!D=8192">http://democracy.westlancsdc.local/mgAi.aspx?!D=8192</a></p> <p><b>Recommendation: Possible topic for in-depth review.</b></p>

**(Topic submitted Late)**

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<b>14</b>	<i>(Councillor J Finch)</i>	Youth Service (for young people ages 13-19 years and 25 years with disabilities)	<p>It was concluded that there was good evidence linking topic to Council's key aims but not to the Council's current priorities. LCC are the responsible authority for Youth Services. An in-depth review would therefore not be effective at this time.</p> <p><b>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review</b></p>