

**MINUTE OF CORPORATE AND ENVIRONMENTAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE
1 DECEMBER 2016**

43 DRAFT GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AND CYCLING STRATEGY

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Development and Regeneration, as contained on pages 241 to 299 of the Book of Reports that gave details of the draft Green Infrastructure and Cycling Strategy that sought comments, prior to consideration by Cabinet at its meeting on 10 January 2017.

The Strategic Planning and Implementation Manager, who attended the meeting, provided an overview of proposals in relation to the adoption of the Strategy, its content and aspirations, referring to details as down in the report and appendices.

In discussion comments and questions were raised in relation to:

- Proposed projects (including linking canal paths, parks, linear parks and other areas of West Lancashire)
- The proposed “route” of the “West Lancashire Wheel” (effect on nearby residences; expectations of users; safety; inclusive access)
- The cycling / walking focus of the proposals.
- The methodology / processes related to project selection; submissions; consultation.
- Summary of longer term projects (saving / investment for 5 to 10 year “proposals”)
- The cost of investment (future proofing particular projects; mitigating against smaller projects)

The Director of Development and Regeneration, who also attended the meeting, provided additional clarification in relation to comments raised.

RESOLVED: That as a consequence of the discussion on this item, it was agreed that the comments be:

- (1) “That the recommendation to Cabinet, be supported.
- (2) That Cabinet recognises the importance of the contribution that the Green Infrastructure Strategy will make towards addressing impacts of climate change within West Lancashire.
- (3) That the benefits linked to health and wellbeing (a Council priority), be noted.”