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Agenda Item Number ...7 b

Title **Council Vision And Priorities 2023-2028**

Details Council Vision and Priorities says: - (from WLBC website viewed on 22/09/2023 (<https://www.westlancs.gov.uk/about-the-council/spending-strategies-performance/strategies-and-plans/council-plan.aspx>)- Last Updated | Thursday, March 31, 2022 | 2:31 PM)

1. Create empowered, engaged creative communities

a) Build on and develop strengths within local communities - I don't see this happening. Can you give some examples please?

b) Use Councillors' existing reach and influence to provide community feedback to shape decision making - Is it possible for the council to provide a set of guidelines for Cllrs on what is expected of them and how to go about getting feedback on the issues?

c) I don't like the way residents and businesses have been separated in the Council Plan. Residents in Skelmersdale work in the businesses in Skelmersdale. So, the Council Plan should have more objectives that combine individuals with businesses.

2. Support businesses to adapt and prosper

a) Promote West Lancashire as a place to invest through the Skelmersdale Place Board & Ambassadors - Skelmersdale Business Ambassadors hasn't been meeting since 2020, before lockdown. So, how is this objective being achieved? Is the forum going to be reactivated

b) Develop a strong web presence which positively promotes West Lancashire- I've seen nothing of this.

c) Create enlivened town centres offering diverse leisure opportunities and night time economy- work on this seems to be happening with the Ormskirk Night Market. But, what is happening for Skelmersdale? I've seen nothing of a night time economy in Skelmersdale, so lots more work is needed to fulfil this objective.

3. Greener West Lancs

a) Reduce waste and improve recycling, implement a Waste strategy with a focus on sustainable solutions - but recycling targets are very low (far too low) and are still not being met. So, what remedial action is being taken to meet the objective set out in the Council Plan for this? And is there a plan to not only meet the current low targets, but also set higher targets to aim for in future?

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