

**CORPORATE AND ENVIRONMENTAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
SUMMARY OF OUTCOME – TOPIC SCORING EXERCISE
11 AUGUST 2017**

Topics - Score 1 – 4 (Reject)

Topic Ref No.	Source	Topic	Outcome
2	Cllr A Pritchard	Environmental Drivers to Boost the Future Economy	<p>It was concluded that these matters were already being addressed and an in-depth review would not be appropriate. The Council has developed a Sustainability Energy Strategy, details of which can be found at http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/environment/climate-change-and-green-living/energy-efficiency-and-sustainability.aspx</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and that the details be referred to the Director of Housing and Inclusion Services for response.</p>
3	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Grass Cutting Schedule in Aughton (& Other related matters)	<p>It was concluded that although there was some evidence linking the topic to the Council's current key aims and priorities, these are only indirectly as the responsible authority for managing the service referred to is Lancashire County Council (LCC). An in-depth review would therefore not be applicable at this time.</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and that the details be referred to the Director of Street Scene for response and to ensure that the matters highlighted are raised with the relevant service at LCC.</p>

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4	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Availability of Affordable Housing	<p>It was concluded that this matter was already being addressed and Affordable Housing had been the subject of a previous in-depth scrutiny review. Additionally, strands of work in respect of the future direction of the use of Council owned land and the development of affordable housing is also being undertaken.</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and that the details be referred to the Director of Housing and Inclusion for response.</p>
5	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Maintenance of public land in Skelmersdale	<p>It was concluded that there was some evidence that the topic is linked to the Council's current key aims and priorities but only indirectly. LCC are the responsible authority for the maintenance of public land referenced.</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and the matter be referred to the Director of Street Scene for response and to ensure that the issue raised is highlighted with the relevant service at LCC.</p>
6	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Provision of a footbridge – Derby Street Railway Bridge	<p>It was concluded that this matter is already being addressed. The Panel were informed that LCC are currently considering issues in relation to the Derby Street Bridge. An in-depth scrutiny review would therefore not be applicable.</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and that the matter raised be referred to the Director of Development and Regeneration for response.</p>

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7	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Provision of a footbridge over the canal at Heathfields, Burscough	<p>It was concluded that this matter is already being addressed. It was understood that the idea proposed had been considered by the relevant stakeholders. The related issue of overgrown footways however may be something that could be brought to the attention of Burscough Parish Council. An in-depth scrutiny review would therefore not be applicable.</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and that the matter raised, in respect of the footbridge, be referred to the Director of Development and Regeneration for response and that the related issue of overgrown footways be passed through to Burscough Parish Council.</p>
8	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Local Plan Ormskirk (2015) – Progress and update on actions	<p>It was concluded that the matter is already being addressed. The Panel were advised that an update position on the Ormskirk Town Centre Strategy is the subject of a Members Update.</p> <p>An in-depth scrutiny review would not be effective at this time. Also, the idea had links to a recent in-depth scrutiny review 'A Market Town Strategy for Ormskirk', undertaken by the Committee which is available at http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/media/468856/market-town-strategy.pdf</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and that the submission be passed to the Director of Development and Regeneration for response.</p>

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9	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Maintenance of footpaths/road gutters – Town Green Lane, Aughton with particular reference to the footpath opposite Town Green Lane School.	<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 as the responsible authority for managing the service/area referred to is LCC. An in-depth scrutiny review would therefore not be effective at this time.</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and the matter be referred to the Director of Street Scene for response and to ensure that the issues highlighted are raised with the relevant service at LCC.</p>
10	<i>(Two members of the public)</i>	State of Ormskirk roads, pavements, with particular reference to Liverpool Road (Fire Station) entrance to the town.	<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. LCC are the responsible authority for highway maintenance. An in-depth scrutiny review would therefore not be effective at this time.</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and the matter be referred to the Director of Street Scene for response and to ensure that the matters highlighted are raised with the relevant service at LCC.</p>

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11	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Speeding traffic, non-compliance of 20mph speed limits, with particular reference to Barnes Road, Skelmersdale and related matters.	<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 and 20 mph speed limits near school has already been the subject of a previous in-depth scrutiny review. The report is available at http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/media/69170/os-report-speeding-traffic.pdf</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and the issue raised be referred to the Director of Development and Regeneration for response and to ensure that the matters highlighted are raised with the relevant service at LCC.</p>
12	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Pedestrian Safety A577 proposals (Half Mile Island)	<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. An in-depth scrutiny review is therefore not applicable.</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and that the matter be referred to the Director of Development and Regeneration for response and to ensure that the matter highlighted is raised with the relevant service at LCC.</p>

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13	<i>(A member of the public)</i>	Climate Change Initiatives – Assistance of Local Communities	<p>It was concluded that the matter had already been addressed as Climate Change had been the subject of a previous in-depth scrutiny review. The report is available at http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/media/69179/os-report-climate-change.pdf . Additional information on climate change is also on the Council’s web-site at http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/environment/climate-change-and-green-living.aspx</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review and that the details be referred to the Director of Housing and Inclusion Services for response.</p>
14	<i>Cllr Hennessey</i>	The Role of Parish Councils	<p>It was concluded that although the topic had been the subject of a previous in-depth review this was some time ago. There was good evidence linking the topic to the Council’s current key priorities, however only indirectly, It was suggested that the Committee could benefit from a further one-off presentation on the role of the Parish Councils in West Lancashire. The previous review report is available at http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/media/543349/appen-dix-a_review-report-parishtowncouncils-final.pdf</p> <p>Recommendation: Reject for in-depth review. That the topic be added to the Committee’s Work Programme 2017/18 as a one-off presentation and a request be made for a representative of the Local Association of Local Councils) (LAPC to attend a future meeting of the Committee.</p>

Topic Score 7- 8 (Priority topic for scrutiny)

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1	<i>CMT</i>	Community Involvement in Service Delivery	<p>It was concluded that there was strong evidence linking the suggestion to the Council's current key aims and priorities and could lead to benefits for a significant proportion of the community. It was noted that the outcome could also provide greater involvement by residents in community groups (including Parish Councils) and by those groups in service delivery in their localities. An in-depth scrutiny review is therefore applicable at this time.</p> <p>Recommendation: Priority Topic for in-depth review. That the topic be added to the Committee's Work Programme 2017/18 for in-depth study and that the Director of Leisure and Wellbeing provide support to pursue this with the Committee.</p>