

# **Agenda**

# **Environment, Health and Housing Committee**

Date:	Tuesday 29 March 2022 at 6:30 pm	
Venue:	Town Hall, St Annes, FY8 1LW	
Committee members:	Councillor Tommy Threlfall (Chairman) Councillor Chris Dixon (Vice-Chairman)	
	Councillors Ben Aitken, Frank Andrews, Paula Brearley, Noreen Griffiths, Peter Hardy, Will Harris, Karen Henshaw JP, Roger Lloyd, Sally Nash-Walker, Bobby Rigby.	

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# **PRESENTATION**

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CHAIRMAN	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	29 MARCH 2022	4	
PRESENTATION FROM HM COASTGUARD				

#### **PUBLIC ITEM**

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

#### **SUMMARY OF PRESENTATION**

A general overview on how the Coastguard operates, general safety and a brief summary on how that works with the tidal current in Lytham and St Annes and any other specific matters regarding the local area.

#### **FACILITATOR**

Christopher Smith, Senior Coastal Operations Officer, HM Coastguard



# **DECISION ITEM**

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TECHNICAL SERVICES	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	29 MARCH 2022	5	
HYDRATION POINTS – PHASE 1				

#### **PUBLIC ITEM**

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

#### **SUMMARY**

Prior to the Covid pandemic the committee approved a capital scheme to install public hydration points across the Borough to encourage water bottles to be used in place of single-use plastic bottles. With the easing of Covid prevention measures the committee is requested to approved £13.500 of capital to be used to install 6hydration points to test the success of installing the units with the potential to increase the number of units in future, subject to a further report to the committee.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

 The committee is requested to approve £13,500 of capital expenditure in 2022/23 to install 6 hydration points at the locations detailed within the report from the existing approved 2021/22 Capital Programme budget of £60,000.

#### **SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

- 6 November 2018: That the committee agree to establish a cross party, cross committee working group: 'to investigate and consider the options to minimize the reliance on single use plastic items across the borough to become a 'plastics conscious' borough'', which would report back to the Environment, Health and Housing committee with any appropriate recommendations.
- 5 November 2019: To broaden the remit of the Plastic Conscious Fylde Working Group to include two members of the Planning Committee and to broaden its remit to include the development of a carbon reduction Action Plan renaming it the Carbon Neutral Working Group.
- 7 January 2020: To strongly support both bids for consideration by the Budget Working Group, with priority of consideration to be given to the cemetery infrastructure works. (The second capital bid for 2020/21 for the installation of hydration points/water bottle fillers plus the possible restoration of historic drinking fountains.
- 11 January 2022: Operational Management Committee resolved: 1. To recommend that full council award the retendered Public Convenience contract for cleansing and maintenance to Danfo UK Ltd for a period of 15 years based on the tender submission and evaluation assessment identifying Danfo as the best value for money option. 2. That Full Council approve an unfunded revenue budget increase of £52,543 per annum (plus CPI increases from year 3 onwards) to meet the additional costs of the contract covering the cleansing and maintenance of public conveniences and additional services which include maintenance, inspection of hydration points (£8,300 per annum) as well as programmed improvements and refurbishments (£33,356 per annum).

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#### **REPORT**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- 1. In 2018 the committee established the cross-party and cross-committee Plastic Conscious Fylde working group which subsequently developed into the Carbon Neutral Working Group in 2019. One of the first recommendations was to install a series of hydration points so that visitors to the Borough would be able to refill water bottles with the intention that this would help to reduce the use of single-use plastic bottles and their disposal in general waste or dropped as litter especially on the beach.
- 2. In January 2020 a capital bid of £60,000 was supported by the committee to enable hydration points to be installed (phase 1) and to look into restoring some historic water fountains (phase 2). At the time officers intended to submit a draw-down report in Spring 2020 with the intention of installing some hydration points by early summer 2020. However the project was put on hold following the outbreak of the Covid pandemic in light of public concerns over potential transmission risks. Through 2021 public concern persisted while the Covid vaccination programme was rolled out.

#### PHASE 1

- 3. The Government has indicated that the success of the vaccination programme means that it is appropriate to remove all coronavirus restrictions and "learn to live with the virus". It may now be appropriate to proceed with implementing phase 1 with a reduced number of locations initially and possible additional locations to be installed at a later date.
- 4. An initial list of potential locations where hydration points could be located, based on current available water supplies controlled by Fylde Council, are set out in Table 1. Hydration points can either be wall-mounted to existing buildings where they can be connected to the building's water supply and drainage or, if located in an area without a building, a freestanding unit can be used.
- 5. To establish how well the hydration points are used by the public it is suggested that an initial trial of 6 locations be established. Should the trial be a success then it is suggested that further locations are identified, subject to a further report to the committee. The initial 6 locations, shown on table 1 highlighted yellow, have been identified to ensure a geographical spread at locations where there is high footfall to benefit key towns and strategic parks.

Table 1. Potential locations for hydration points

Area	Location	Wall-mounted or freestanding
St Annes Promenade	North Promenade WCs	Wall-mounted
	Monument WCs	Wall-mounted
	Splash Park WCs	Wall-mounted
	North Beach WCs (to be built)	Wall-mounted
St Annes Square and Ashton Gardens	On corner of St Annes Road West and Clifton Drive North, by notice board	Freestanding
	By zebra crossing outside Fresh café	Freestanding

	By footpath outside former JR Taylors	Freestanding
	Crescent WCs	Wall-mounted
	Ashton Pavilion WCs	Wall-mounted
Fairhaven Lake	Skate park pavilion	Wall-mounted
	Bowling Green WCs	Wall-mounted
	Near to the RSPB centre	Freestanding
	Stanner Bank WCs	Wall-mounted
Lytham	Pleasant St WCs	Wall-mounted
	Lytham Green by Bath St car park/RNLI shop	Freestanding
	Lowther Gardens WCs	Wall-mounted
	Lytham Institute	Wall-mounted
Kirkham	Market Sq WCs	Wall-mounted
	Memorial Gardens (no current water supply and not owned by Fylde Council)	Freestanding
Freckleton	Freckleton WCs	Wall-mounted

6. The suggested wall-mounted and freestanding hydration points are shown below.





#### **PROCUREMENT**

- 7. The wall mounted units, in marine grade stainless steel, cost £740 per unit. The freestanding units, in marine grade steel, cost £1,850 per unit. Of the initial 6 sites, 4 are wall-mounted and 2 are freestanding. As such purchasing costs direct from the supplier will be £6,660. It should be noted that with current uncertainties around the world and the impact on raw materials, delivery times for the supply of the units, in particular the freestanding units, could be as long as 20 weeks.
- 8. With most of the units to be attached to public toilets plus the need to clean and maintain all the units once operational by the public toilet cleaning contractor, Danfo were asked to quote for installation of these units. They have offered to install the units and provide materials (additional pipework, consumables etc...) for £640 per unit, £3,840 in total.
- 9. In addition water sub-meters will need to be attached to each unit plus additional drainage may need to be installed on the freestanding units at an estimated cost of £3,000.

10. The committee is requested to approve the expenditure of £13,500 from the capital budget for the installation of 6 hydration points.

#### CLEANING, MAINTENANCE AND TESTING

11. As approved by the Operational Management Committee in January 2022, a new contract for cleaning the Council's public toilets has been granted to Danfo. As part of the tender exercise the cost quoted included an element for cleaning, maintaining and testing the water quality of the hydration units as part of their cleaning regime for the public toilets.

IMPLICATIONS		
Finance	The committee is requested to approve the expenditure of £13,500 as detailed within the report in 2022/23 from the existing approved 2021/22 Capital Programme budget of £60,000.	
Legal	No implications.	
Community Safety	No implications.	
Human Rights and Equalities	No implications.	
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	Help to reduce plastic pollution by encouraging visitors to avoid single use plastic.	
Health & Safety and Risk Management	Hydration units to be regularly cleaned and water quality tested under agreement with Danfo.	

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# **DECISION ITEM**

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	29 MARCH 2022	6

## HOLIDAY, ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME (HAF) – UPDATE

#### **PUBLIC ITEM**

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

#### **SUMMARY**

As part of the government's commitment to tackling child hunger, funding has been made available to deliver a school holiday program of physical and enrichment activities, together with a healthy meal, for children in receipt of free school meals.

The objectives of the programme are for attendees to:

- eat more healthily over the school holidays
- be more active during the school holidays
- take part in engaging and enriching activities which support the development of resilience, character and wellbeing, along with their wider educational attainment
- be safe and not to be socially isolated
- have a greater knowledge of health and nutrition
- be more engaged with school and other local service

This scheme was successfully delivered in Fylde over the summer and Christmas holidays in 2021 and will be repeated once again in the coming year, with an indicative budget allocation of £160, 216, to deliver the scheme in 2022/23.

Committee approval is consequently required to proceed with a project of this value.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. That the Committee support the ongoing delivery of the HAF project.
- 2. That the Committee request that the Finance and Democracy Committee approve a fully funded revenue budget increase of £160,216 to fund the delivery of the HAF programme in Fylde in 2022
- 3. That the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chairman of the Environment, Health and Housing Committee, together with the Leader of the council, be invited to give their consent to use urgent power procedures to authorise any expenditure being incurred, in anticipation of both the funding being received, and in terms of the Easter break provision, which precedes the next scheduled date of the Finance and Democracy Committee (23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022)

#### **SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

**Environment, Health and Housing Committee, June 2021:** It was RESOLVED; 1. That the Committee support the emergency decision of the Chief Executive to proceed with the recruitment of the HAF Co-ordinator; 2. That the Committee approve delivery of the HAF project as set out in the report; and 3. That the Committee request that Finance and Democracy Committee approve a revenue budget increase of £123,000, fully funded from specific

HAF grant, for the delivery of the HAF programme in Fylde in 2021/22.

**Environment, Health and Housing Committee, January 2022:** Members received an update on the Holiday, Activity and Food Programme (HAF) which was successfully delivered during the summer and Christmas school holidays, with an expectation of additional funding to extend the scheme across future years. It was advised that an update would be brough to a future meeting of the committee. At this juncture, thanks were extended to Edyta Paxton, Health and Wellbeing Officer, for the successful delivery of the scheme.

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#### **REPORT**

- 1. As part of the government's commitment to tackling child hunger, funding has been made available to deliver a school holiday program of physical and enrichment activities, together with a healthy meal, for children in receipt of free school meals.
- 2. The objectives of the programme are for attendees to:
  - eat more healthily over the school holidays
  - be more active during the school holidays
  - take part in engaging and enriching activities which support the development of resilience, character & wellbeing, along with their wider educational attainment
  - be safe and not to be socially isolated
  - have a greater knowledge of health and nutrition
  - be more engaged with school and other local service
- 3. This scheme was successfully delivered in Fylde over the summer and Christmas holidays in 2021. The project was extremely well received, surpassing scheme targets and engaging with 613 children over the summer period (43% of the local cohort); the scheme as also delivered in the Christmas week, with Christmas food hampers distributed to participating children and their families at the end of the holiday club.
- 4. Fylde has been provided with an indicative budget allocation of £160,216 to fund the delivery of the scheme once again across the 2022 school holidays; 10% of the funding will be allocated to extending the scheme coordinator role who will work closely with partners to run the school holiday provision.
- 5. The makeup of this comprises 4 sessions of 4 hours per child in the April Easter break, 16 sessions in the summer holidays and 4 session over the Christmas break; and 10% of the funding will be allocated to extending the scheme coordinator role who will work closely with partners to run the school holiday provision. At this point, the funding is limited to 2022.
- 6. In terms of geographic spread, smaller satellite clubs will also be established in areas of greater need in Freckleton, Kirkham and Central Ward in St Annes, making use of community buildings and schools to deliver the sessions. Enquiries are being made with commercial recreational ventures in the area to see if discounted fees can be negotiated for families in need, as part of the HAF programme.
- 7. Several afternoon sessions will be arranged for older children (12 16), working with outreach workers already active in the community, in Memorial Park, Parkview and Ashton Gardens.
- 8. Weekly progress meetings will be scheduled with the Lancashire County Council (LCC) Early Help Partnership officer for this region; bi-weekly meetings will also take place with LCC and Streetgames, a national charity providing sport programmes for disadvantaged communities.

9. It is anticipated that the funding will be granted to the council by the beginning of April. In accordance with the financial procedure rules, this committee is invited to consider this funded budget increase, and work programme, and make a recommendation to the Finance and Democracy Committee. The Finance and Democracy Committee has authority to approve funded budget increases to the value of £250,000. As the funding has yet be to be received, the Finance and Democracy Committee will also be invited to give authority to spend in advance of the grant being received subject to the support of this committee for the initiative.

IMPLICATIONS		
Finance	The report sets out details of grant funding anticipated to be received by the council to deliver the HAF project, and requests that Finance and Democracy Committee approve a funded revenue budget increase of £160,216, fully funded from the HAF grant, for the delivery of the programme in Fylde in 2022 as detailed in the report.	
Legal	No legal implications arising because of this report	
Community Safety	The afternoon-based activity programmes will provide diversionary activities for older children assisting to eliminate the potential for any anti-social behaviour	
Human Rights and Equalities	No human rights and equalities implications arising because of this report	
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	No sustainability and environmental impact implications arising as a result of this report	
Health & Safety and Risk Management	The programme will be managed in accordance with both operational risk management considerations, together with any health and safety requirements	

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NA		



# **DECISION ITEM**

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RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	29 MARCH 2022	7

## NOMINATIONS TO OUTSIDE BODIES/WORKING GROUPS

#### **PUBLIC ITEM**

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

#### **SUMMARY**

The report deals with nominations to Outside Bodies and Working Groups.

Appointments to Outside Bodies are made at Full Council following recommendations from the various programme committees.

It is timely for the programme committees to review the current Outside Body appointments and put forward any recommended changes to membership to the next Council meeting scheduled for 25 April 2022.

In line with the Protocol for Members on Outside Bodies (Part 5f of the Council's Constitution), every member serving on an outside body is required to complete a reporting form every six months, which is submitted to the relevant programme committee to which the external partnership relates. The last reports were submitted to the September 2021 cycle of meetings.

This report covers those nominations that relate to the Environment, Health and Housing Committee.

At the same time, it seems prudent for this committee to review the current appointments to the working groups that relate to the terms of reference of the Environment, Health and Housing Committee. The establishment of working groups is within the responsibility of the individual programme committees and does not require the approval of Council.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee is invited:

- 1. To recommend to Council any nominations to the outside bodies within the remit of the Environment, Health and Housing Committee,
- 2. To confirm the membership to any working groups that relate to the terms of reference of the committee.
- 3. To note the reports from members currently serving on Outside Bodies.

#### **SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

Full Council approves appointments to Outside Bodies annually, following nominations from the programme committees.

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#### **REPORT**

- 1. The Council makes a number of appointments to outside bodies in each municipal year. In an election year, these appointments are made at the AGM. In non-election years, these appointments are made at the last Council meeting of the municipal year.
- 2. Programme committees are asked to review the current appointments to the Outside Bodies within the remit of their committee and at the same time, consider the value, in terms of contribution to the council, of retaining representation i.e. should the council continue to dedicate a resource.
- 3. Any changes in representation or appointments on the Outside Bodies represented will be put forward to the next scheduled Council meeting for confirmation.
- 4. This report deals with the outside bodies that relate to the terms of reference for the Environment, Health and Housing Committee. The first table below includes the name of the body/group, the role/purpose and which elected member is the current appointee. The committee is invited to recommend nominations for consideration by Full Council.
- 5. Programme committees may wish to establish their own subject specific working groups to be set up when required in order to advise the parent programme committee on a particular topic/issue.
- 6. The second table below lists those working groups that relate to the terms of reference of the Environment, Health and Housing Committee that are currently established.
- 7. The establishment of working groups is within the responsibility of the individual programme committees and does not need the approval of Council.
- 8. It is important that the members nominated to represent the Council on outside bodies/working groups have an appropriate interest in the body/partnership/subject, can commit to positively represent the Council and be available to commit the time to attend the majority of the meetings involved.
- 9. The members nominated should ideally be a member of the programme committee to which the matter relates to.
- 10. The current protocol is that members are required to produce regular reports about the outside bodies on which they serve, currently every six months. It is the intention that this information will be made available to the programme committee members to which the external partnership relates.
- 11. The conclusion of any working group would be brought to committee in a formal report.
- 12. The following appended reports from members currently serving on Outside Bodies are provided to maintain an understanding of the work of the Outside Body, and to remain abreast of any issues that may have an impact on the residents of the borough or the council.

Outside body /	Role/Purpose	Frequency of	Current representation
partnerships		meetings	
Children's	Sub regional partnership that ensures all child	Quarterly	Councillor Will Harris
Partnership Board	related initiatives are delivered efficiently and		
(formally the Children's Trust)	properly in particular services for vulnerable children		
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Community Safety Partnership	Working with partners and statutory agencies to reduce crime and disorder across the borough	3 times a year	Councillor Tommy Threlfall
Council for	Observation role to a registered charity that	Periodically	Councillor Michelle Morris
Voluntary Services,	works with groups and organisations in the		
BWF	Voluntary, Community and Faith sectors in the Blackpool, Wyre and Fylde.		
East Lytham	Set up by the Environment Agency, to address	Periodically	Councilor Roger Lloyd
Working Group	flood risk and land drainage concerns relating to		
VAACA 11aai.a =	land east of Lytham.	Ougate als:	Councillor Viv. Mill-1
YMCA Housing (Face to Face)	YMCA Housing works in collaboration with young people and families that are in crisis by enabling	Quarterly	Councillor Viv Willder
(race to race)	them to secure and maintain a safe place to stay.		
	Positive emotional and mental health and		
	wellbeing is fundamental to the growth and		
	development of an individual, as such YMCA		
	Housing offers an holistic approach, supporting		
	young people and families with dependent children to better manage and improve their		
	situation and develop the confidence and skills to		
	maintain independent living.		
Fylde & Wyre	Partnership that links the activities of the CCG,	Monthly	Councillor Viv Willder
Health & Wellbeing	local authorities and health providers to ensure	(12x p/a)	
Partnership	they are all working to address the priority health	(12x p/u)	
	needs of the community preventing waste and		
Fylde Citizens	duplication e.g. Better Care Fund delivery  Fylde CAB offer free independent impartial	Quarterly	Councillors Linda Nulty, John
Advice Bureau	advice to residents on their rights,	Quarterly	Singleton and Noreen Griffiths
tarioe Bareau	responsibilities and services available to them.		Singleton and Noteen emitting
Fylde Coast LGBT	Raising awareness of LGBT issues at a strategic	Currently not	Councillor Shirley Green
, Strategic	level and working to ensure the local LGBT	meeting	·
Partnership	community has a voice in local decisions.		
	(formerly Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre LGBT		
Tuldo Coost	Forum)  FCWA are one of three Domestic Abuse service	Doriodically	Councillor Viv Willder
Fylde Coast Women's Aid	providers. Domestic Abuse is a priority for both	Periodically	Councillor viv vvillder
vvoinen 374a	the CSP and PCC		
- Fylde Peninsular	Partnership between the Environment Agency,	Monthly	Councillor Tommy Threlfall
Water Management	United Utilities, Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre	(12), 2 (2)	·
Group	Councils, LCC and Keep Britain Tidy and looks all	(12x p/a)	
	aspects of water management including bathing		
look Cook Int.	water quality. Cabinet resolution 18/09/2013		Councillon II
Just Good Friends	Just Good Friends have the strapline 'Combatting Loneliness and Isolation'		Councillor Karen Henshaw
	The group are based in St Anne's but work across		
	the borough and the Fylde coast providing		
	support most days of the week to vulnerable		
	people who are isolated or lonely.		

Lancashire Health	Oversee delivery and performance of the public	Bi-monthly	Councillor Viv Willder
and Wellbeing Board	health responsibility passed to County and Districts	(6x p/a)	
LCC Health Scrutiny Committee	Non-voting Co-opted district member. To review and scrutinise issues around public health and health inequalities. The Committee will review and scrutinise the work and performance of any relevant part of the County Council and its partners and the functions of the relevant Cabinet Members. To discharge the statutory health overview and scrutiny functions under the provisions of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.	6 weekly	Councillor Viv Willder
Local Liaison Committee Springfield Works	To act as a channel of communication between local community, Westinghouse, Springfield Fuels Ltd, the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) and Regulatory Authorities.  To scrutinize Springfields emergency and environmental plans.	Minimum 2 meetings per year	Councillor Tommy Threlfall and Roger Lloyd
MATAC ( Multi Agency Tasking and Coordinating)	Councillor representation on the monthly CSP 'delivery' meeting, chaired by Police & addressing local priorities	Monthly	Councillor Roger Lloyd
One Fylde (formerly Ormerod Trust)	Trustee of the organization. The trust works with and supports people with learning disabilities.	At least Bi- monthly (6x p/a)	Councillor Angela Jacques
Police Crime Commissioner Panel	The Panel is a joint committee made up of representatives from the 15 local authorities in the Lancashire Police Force area, together with two independent co-opted members.	When required	Councillors Tommy Threlfall and Frank Andrews
Registered Providers Partnership	Forum to ensure engagement with the borough's RSL's over development strategies	Bi-monthly (6x p/a)	Councillor Jayne Nixon

Working group	Role/purpose	Notes	Current representation
Carbon Neutral Working Group	To investigate and consider the options to minimize the reliance on single use plastic items across the borough to become a 'plastics conscious' borough. To develop a Carbon Reduction Action Plan with a view to the Council becoming netzero carbon by 2050	Current	Councillors Tommy Threlfall, Noreen Griffiths and Karen Henshaw  (plus 4 reps from OpMgmt and 2 reps from Planning)
Flooding/Surface Water Management	to review the current situation and to develop a comprehensive set of recommendations and proposals to improve the way surface water management in Fylde was undertaken to reduce flooding in the future and to ensure that arrangements for dealing/responding to emergency flood incidents in Fylde were robust and effective to provide reassurance to members, residents and landowners	Current	Councillors Tommy Threlfall, Roger Lloyd, John Singleton, Chris Dixon, Peter Anthony & Kiran Mulholland.

IMPLICATIONS		
Finance	No implications arising from this report	
Legal	No implications arising from this report	
Community Safety	No implications arising from this report	
Human Rights and Equalities	No implications arising from this report	
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	No implications arising from this report	
Health & Safety and Risk Management	No implications arising from this report	

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None		

Appendix 1 – Summary and reports received on current Outside Bodies

Outside Body	Councillor	Report Status				
Environment, Health & Housing Committee, 29/3/2022 me	Environment, Health & Housing Committee, 29/3/2022 meeting					
Children's Partnership Board (formally the Children's	Will Harris	Nil return				
Trust)						
Citizens Advice Fylde	Noreen Griffiths	Report attached				
Citizens Advice Fylde	John Singleton	See above				
Citizens Advice Fylde	Linda Nulty	See above				
Community Safety Partnership	Tommy Threlfall	Nil return				
Council for Voluntary Services, BWF	Michelle Morris	Nil return				
Fylde & Wyre Health & Wellbeing Partnership	Jayne Nixon	Nil return				
Fylde Coast LGBT Strategic Partnership	Shirley Green	Nil return, no meetings				
Fylde Coast Women's Aid	Viv Willder	Nil return, no meetings				
Fylde Peninsular Water Management Group	Tommy Threlfall	Nil return				
Just Good Friends	Karen Henshaw	Nil return, no meetings				
Lancashire Health & Wellbeing Board	Jayne Nixon	Nil return				
LCC Health & Scrutiny Committee	Jayne Nixon	Nil return				
Springfields Site Stakeholder Group	Roger Lloyd	Report attached				
Springfields Site Stakeholder Group	Tommy Threlfall	See above				
MATAC	Roger Lloyd	Nil return				
OneFylde	Angela Jacques	Report attached				
Police and Crime Commissioners Panel	Tommy Threlfall	See below				
Police and Crime Commissioners Panel	Frank Andrews	Report attached				
Registered Providers Partnership(RSO) (formerly RSL)	Jayne Nixon	Nil return				
YMCA Housing (Face to Face)	Viv Willder	Nil return, no meetings				

#### **Outside Bodies - Member Reporting Form**

#### **Details**

#### Fylde Citizen,s Advice

Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body (for example, Observer, Trustee, Director):-

Noreen Griffiths - Committee

Email:-

Period this report covers (date):- September 2021 – March 2022

Name of Outside Body:- Fylde Citizen's Advice

How often does the organisation meet? And how often have you attended?:-

Every 3 months

1 meeting and the AGM

#### Key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council:-

Examples of issues could be those that may affect decisions regarding budget setting, challenges for residents, policy changes that affect partnership working etc

Rosemary Project – domestic abuse has seen an increase, may need to expand service.

Fylde Energy Scheme – due to increasing energy prices in the future, this scheme may require additional funding.

Debt advice is on the increase due to unemployment, more back to work queries.

Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?:-

Fylde CAB will do.

In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?:-

Yes, Fylde CAB keep Councillors informed of our Resident's ongoing issues.

#### Any further comments?:-

More volunteers and trustees are needed, so Fylde CAB are intending to advertize using local media.

Face to Face will be re-introduced this week. Volunteers reported the telephone service used through COVID had been successful.

Outreach service will be starting again through Doctor's surgeries.

More Outreach needed in Lytham.

#### **Outside Bodies - Member Reporting Form**

**Details:** Police and Crime Commissioner Panel - Lancashire

**Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body** 

Cllr Frank Andrews. Panel Member of the Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner Panel.

Email: Cllr.fandrews@fylde.gov.uk

**Period this report covers** :- September 2021 – March 2022

Name of Outside Body:- Police Crime and Commissioner Panel

How often does the organisation meet? And how often have you attended?:-

Approximately 2 monthly. Attendance once but second meeting due imminently.

#### Key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council:-

The PCC have conducted a survey outlining the following police priorities. 1) Anti-social behaviour, 2) Dangerous driving, 3) Theft, 4) Organised crime and 5) Victim support. This survey also indicated that 91% of residents felt safe in Ribble Valley but only 68% in Blackpool. Cyber crime has been recognised as a high value crime which is tackled at both regional and at national level.

#### Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?:-

Andrew Snowden the Police and Crime Commissioner briefed the council in person on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021 in Clifton Drive Methodist Church.

In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?:-

It can't do any harm but these meetings are held in Blackburn Town Hall so a difficult venue for Fylde councillors.

**Any further comments?:-** There is pressure to make the police more contactable and to re-open some local police stations. Also that we should be aware that a vast amount of police time is taken up with "Missing Persons".

#### **Outside Bodies - Member Reporting Form**

Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body (for example, Observer, Trustee, Director):-

Cllr Roger Lloyd Observer

Email Cllr.rlloyd@fylde.gov.uk

Period this report covers (date)

23.11.21 This was the first meeting due to covid in the last 18 months

Name of Outside Body Springfields

How often does the organisation meet? Every 6 months

How often have you attended? Nearly all

What are the key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council

The main business at the site is manufacture of fuel for reactors for some 7 EDF (energy supplier) reactors. Three of these are closed or are closing which has led to a reduction from 180 tons per annum to 110 tons per annum...this has led to a decrease in the workforce and a loss of income. Westinghouse who run the facility have been liasing with government to try secure a more stable future ..2 more reactors are being built at present in the UK and they will need the fuel that may well ensure the future and jobs at Springfields. Nuclear power is central to the governments move away from fossil fuels . Safety record at the site has been good with no new releases of radioactivity for some time.

Examples of issues could be those that may affect decisions regarding budget setting, challenges for residents, policy changes that affect partnership working etc

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Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?

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In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?

Yes

Any further comments?



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RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	29 MARCH 2022	8	
AGF UK LANCASHIRF – MID YFAR REPORT				

#### **PUBLIC ITEM**

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

#### **SUMMARY OF INFORMATION**

The Council has a Service Level Agreement in place with Age UK Lancashire to provide an information and advice service in Fylde. As part of this agreement, Age UK provides reports to committee each year, summarising its performance over the previous period.

#### **SOURCE OF INFORMATION**

http://www.ageuk.org.uk/lancashire

#### WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

Age UK Lancashire is identified as one of the Council's key formal partnerships. There is a service level agreement in place where the Council pays a grant of £12,000 per annum for the information and advice service. The annual report produced by Age UK Lancashire provides an opportunity for councillors to ensure that the council is receiving value for money.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Contact Tracy Manning (01253 658521) or Claire Yates, Age UK Lancashire (0300 303 1234)



# **Fylde Borough Council Annual Report**

Period covered: 1st April 2021 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Compiled by: Zoe Johnston, Information & Advice Service Manager













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#### **General Update**

Age UK Lancashire continues to deliver a high quality, confidential Information & Advice service across Lancashire for people aged 65+ and their carers. The support from Fylde Borough Council contributes towards our Information and Advice team via our St Annes office, and face-to-face community delivery in the area. The office on St Georges Road reopened to the public in July 2021, in line with government guidelines.

In recent months we have seen the easing of government restrictions relating to Covid 19 precautions. However, taking into account our client demographic, we have been cautious in returning to previous ways of working. We have evaluated what worked well and what worked as a 'temporary fix' during the pandemic and lockdowns. Two teams contribute towards the Information and Advice (I&A) delivery; our 0300 Call Handling Team and our community focussed I&A Team. The I&A Team support volunteers to deliver home visits, surgeries and support with applications for blue badges and Attendance Allowance in addition to offering direct advice to customers themselves.

The first point of contact into the service is often our 0300 number where our customer service advisers can help immediately with a simple enquiry or triage clients appropriately. This last year, 445 people from Fylde contacted us this way. This alongside our internal services acting as referral agents, 217 people were referred for more detailed advice support. Our I&A Team would usually endeavour to recruit and train community volunteers, and thus increase their presence through outreach and engagement. However, the restrictions due to Covid-19 have meant volunteer recruitment has been on hold, and outreach events have not yet returned to normal. Although not being attended face to face, though some events have adapted to being delivered on-line, and we have endeavoured to maintain a presence through these.

Since April 2021, 16 Fylde residents received full welfare benefit checks, and we supported 26 clients with completing claim forms. An additional 26 clients came into Fylde office since it reopened at the end of July and were given information or signposted to other organisations.

While we had noticed a reduction in requests for some services in 2020, most notably for the blue badge application service, demand does appear to be increasing again as residents become more confident about leaving their homes, and this service is in high demand.

Our Information and Advice service moved to telephone appointments only during the pandemic. We have gradually opened up other methods of delivery as restrictions have eased. However, telephone appointments – rarely used prior to lockdown – proved to be an efficient use of time, and for many clients, a much easier way of receiving help. Because of this, we are continuing to use telephone appointments wherever we can. The method used to deliver our service is agreed with our clients taking their needs into account.

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Regardless of the method of service delivery, all clients can expect that their enquiry is fully explored, and they will receive comprehensive advice followed up with a confirmation of advice letter with details of the information and advice we have given and any steps they should take to achieve the desired outcome.

Since April in Fylde Borough we delivered the following services:

- Information & Advice including case work
- Hospital Aftercare practical support for people including take home and settle and up to 6
  weeks of practical and emotional support following a hospital stay.
- Home Help service providing cleaning, shopping and other errands
- Removing Barriers supporting veterans and their families to access services
- Age of Opportunity supporting people aged 50+ back into employment
- Good Day Calls regular chats and 'check-ins' for clients who are lonely and/or isolated (set up in response to Covid-19)
- Art of Isolation and Veterans Art of Isolation projects encouraging individuals to submit examples of creativity during the pandemic
- Access to local number for all customer enquiries

#### **Information & Advice**

Age UK Lancashire provides a comprehensive Information & Advice service to clients over the age of 65 years and their carers throughout the Fylde area. This is a free, one-to-one service supporting, informing and advising older people and their carers, often at the most vulnerable times in their life. Our services include: signposting and referral to other agencies, providing information and advice, form filling and casework. There has been decreased demand for the home-visiting element of our service which supports older people who are housebound since lockdown last year, but we are starting to see numbers increasing again.

In the reporting period 1st April 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021, we received 445 calls via our Customer Services team from Fylde residents. Though many of these calls were for information and signposting,













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more in depth advice was provided to 42. During those appointments we explored topic areas such as welfare benefit entitlements and income maximisation, access to social care and the assessment process, housing options for older people. We consider the client's circumstances on an individual basis and can then tailor our service as needed.

As part of our holistic service we extend our service to the immediate family and carers of our clients where appropriate

We support all enquiries that are within our area of expertise and will actively refer to other specialist advice services where appropriate such as Citizen's Advice for debt advice and Welfare Rights for benefit appeals.

Our Customer Services Advice Line service is well established, offering older people and their carers a contact point for information or signposting. The team can also refer into our services as required.

Our most common enquiries usually include:

- Welfare Benefits
- Travel and leisure (including Blue Badge applications)
- Local services and activities
- Community and social care
- Housing options

The service can usually be accessed by calling in to the Age UK Lancashire office in St George's Rd, St Anne's, by telephone, email, letter, referral from other community services or via one of Age UK Lancashire's other services. Home visits are usually provided for people unable to access the office, complex cases and lengthy form-filling. Our telephone and email service operates Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm (via our 0300 303 1234 number) with an out of hours answerphone facility which gives the customer the option of ringing the Age UK National Advice Line for support out of hours (open 8am-7pm, 365 days per year).

The service works in partnership with a number of local key partners, including the Department for Work and Pensions, Welfare Rights, Pension Wise, Disability Information, Community Mental Health Team, Extensive Care Team, New Fylde Housing, Fylde CA, Care & Repair, Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service, Hospital Discharge Team, Trinity Hospice, Social Services, Stroke Association, Alzheimer's Association, Parkinson's Society, Alzheimer's Society and Lytham Hospital Dementia services.

The service provided by Age UK Lancashire during this 6-month period has identified over £539,448.00 per annum in unclaimed benefits across the county, with £128,467.72 of that figure being for Fylde residents of State Pension age. This money is most often spent in the local economy.











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#### **Further Background**

Our Fylde based adviser retired in April, so the service manager is covering provision with the support of a part time senior administrator. We are offering office-based appointments and home visits for those clients who are unable to come to us.

We have also recruited a volunteer who supports the team by 'meeting and greeting' clients who come into the office. She can offer information and signposting and will refer to the I&A team for any clients requiring further help.

Age UK Lancashire has a comprehensive mandatory training plan for both staff and volunteers. We have invested in a high quality online training resource via ME Learning which enables many more staff and volunteers to access up-to-date training and undertake courses at their convenience. Regular meetings are usually held with all the volunteers to update them and provide general support. We make sure they are familiar with the standards, policies and procedures set by the Information and Advice Quality Standard. Training includes Basic Life Support, Safeguarding Adults level one, Safeguarding Children level one, Dementia Awareness, Information Governance, Mental Capacity Act, and Fire Safety Awareness. We have recently updated our mandatory training to include LGBTQ Awareness, PREVENT, and Infection Control, as well as further training on safeguarding adults who may be at risk of self-harm.

The Information and Advice staff also undertake training on Pension Age Welfare benefits, Social/Community Care, Housing, Charity Log (in house Database), Information & Advice Quality Program training meetings, The Care Act, and General Data Protection Regulation.

#### Quality

We continue to hold the nationally recognized Age UK Information and Advice Quality Programme (IAQP) which was successfully renewed in April, and the Advice Quality Standard which are rigorous and robust processes to ensure we are delivering a service that meets all their requirements. We are in the process of renewing this accreditation. We also hold the ISO 9001 and the Age UK organisational standard.

#### **Promotion and Engagement**

We continue to support the Older People's Forum and the FAB group and we keep in contact with the social groups in the area. We participate in fortnightly Dementia Hub zoom meetings and are hopeful that face to face meetings can resume in August. We continue to refer people to Just Good Friends in St Annes, Lancashire Carers, Carers Count and Alzheimer's Singing For The Brain.











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As restrictions ease, we are looking at events we can attend to promote our services and engage with our clients. We are hosting an afternoon tea event at Lytham Hall in September, which we expect to be well attended.

#### **Campaigns**

Age UK Lancashire has supported the following national campaigns:

- Care In Crisis
- Winter Warmth and Winter Health
- Painful Journeys
- Jo Cox Commission on Loneliness
- Switched off, saving the free TV license for older people
- Campaign with Ed Balls raising awareness of social care systems and costs, particularly relating to dementia
- Digital Inclusion
- Work with Good Things Foundation to provide on line training through Learn My Way













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#### **Appendices**

Appendix A – Case Study

Case study attached as a separate document

Appendix B - Profile Data for Fylde 2021 Q1-2

TOPIC OF ENQUIRY	NUMBER OF ENQUIRIES
Age UK Services	2
Benefits	83
Community Care	10
Consumer	4
Health Conditions	1
Health Services	2
Housing	3
Legal	5
Leisure and Social Activities	7
Residential Care	2
Travel	11
Nationality and Immigration	0
Grand Total	130

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#### **Client feedback**

Our clients are issued with a feedback form at the end of their service. The results of these during this reporting period are that:

Your benefit claim was successful - 87.5 % agreed

Your general wellbeing has improved - 57.14 % agreed

You feel more independent or less isolated – 71.43 % agreed

Your knowledge of where to go for advice has increased - 100 % agreed

You were satisfied with the service and would recommend it to others - 100 % agreed

Average score 1-5

Staff were friendly and knowledgeable - 5 out of 5

I was treated with respect – 5 out of 5

My privacy and confidentiality were ensured - 5 out of 5

The service met my expectations – 5 out of 5

I received the service at the right time for me - 5 out of 5

How likely are you to recommend our service? - 5 out of 5

#### **Client comments**

"I got the help when I needed it most."

"I felt it was someone to help me and it was easy to do so. Thank you"

"The assistance I received could not have been better."

"I couldn't be more pleased. The service I received was excellent."

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# **INFORMATION ITEM**

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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	29 MARCH 2022	9		
ST ANNES BATHING WATERS 2021					

#### **PUBLIC ITEM**

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

#### **SUMMARY OF INFORMATION**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update of the water quality at the two St Annes Bathing Waters.

#### **SOURCE OF INFORMATION**

Environment Agency Bathing Water data.

Directive 2006/7/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council 15<sup>th</sup> February 2006. Concerning the management of bathing water quality.

Statutory Instrument 2013 No 1675, Water Resources.

The Bathing Water Regulations 2013.

#### **LINK TO INFORMATION**

- United Utilities Bathing Waters Map

https://www.unitedutilities.com/help-and-support/wastewater-services/bathing-waters/bathing-waters/

2021 Bathing Water Profile for St Annes

http://environment.data.gov.uk/bwq/profiles/profile.html?site=ukd4303-41800

- 2021 Bathing Water Profile for St Annes North

http://environment.data.gov.uk/bwq/profiles/profile.html?site=ukd4303-41900

#### WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

This information is provided to enable the committee to consider and scrutinise the latest position on Bathing Water quality.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Contact: Darren Bell Head of Technical Services Tel: 01253 658465



# **INFORMATION NOTE**

## St Annes Bathing Waters 2021

- 1. The Environment Agency are responsible for implementation of the Bathing Waters Directives, monitoring and reporting on water quality and ensuring action is taken to meet the appropriate standards for the directives throughout the UK. They also regulate discharges to the aquatic environment.
- 2. Fylde Borough Council operates two controlled bathing waters one at St Anne's Pier and the other is St Anne's North adjacent to North Beach car park. During the bathing season 1st May to 30th September the Council are responsible for the provision of public information about the bathing waters being displayed in an easily acceptable place in the vicinity of the bathing waters. This includes the provision of public information to prevent exposure to pollution during short term incidents and advise against bathing where the bathing water does not meet the sufficient standard.
- 3. Changes were made from 2012 with the introduction of the revised Bathing Water Directive. Under the new regulations the revised directive sets guideline standards for Escherichia coli and intestinal enterococci.
- 4. The new standard has four classifications:-

#### Excellent, Good, Sufficient, Poor.

The EU directive requires member states to ensure that, by the end of the 2015 bathing season, all bathing waters are at least sufficient each year.

The table below indicates the different parameters for bathing water quality.

Parameter	Excellent	Good	Sufficient
Escherichia coli (cfu/100ml)	<250 (*)	<500 (*)	<500 (**)
Intestinal entercocci (cfu/100ml)	<100 (*)	<200 (*)	<185 (**)
(*) Based upon a 95-percentile evaluation			
(**) Based upon a 90-percentile evaluation			

cfu = colony-forming unit

E.coli should not exceed 500cfu per 100ml based upon a 90-percentile evaluation of samples.

Intestinal enterococci should not exceed 185cfu per 100ml based upon a 90-percentile evaluation of samples.

- 5. In 2020, the coronavirus pandemic and associated lockdown meant the Environment Agency had to pause routine sampling in the first half of the bathing season in order to adhere with imposed restrictions. Once lockdown was lifted, the EA's sampling work restarted and a reduced set of samples was taken during the second half of the season. No classification was made in 2020 due to the reduced number of samples taken not being representative of the range of water quality across the bathing season. The limited data from 2020 will not be used in any future classifications.
- 6. The Environment Agency has been working with Fylde Council again this year to make daily predictions of pollution risks at our bathing waters during the 2021 bathing season. These inform the public of increased

pollution risk through signs displayed at bathing waters. These warnings are short term pollution events that have clearly identifiable causes which are not normally expected to affect bathing water quality for more than approximately 72 hours. Where pollution risk forecasts have coincided with statutory bathing water sampling and if all conditions are met there is a potential for discounting samples at the end of the season. One sample was discounted at St Anne's North in 2021.

7. The Fylde coast has eight bathing waters and the table below indicates this year's results, showing their improvement over the last eight years.

Bathing	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
water area	results	results	results	results	results	results	results	results
Fleetwood	Poor	Excellent	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good
Cleveleys	Poor	Poor	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good
Bispham	Sufficient	Sufficient	Good	Good	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Blackpool North	Poor	Good	Sufficient	Good	Sufficient	Good	Good	Sufficient
Blackpool Central	Poor	Sufficient	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good
Blackpool South	Good	Excellent (Blue Flag status)	Excellent (Blue Flag status)	Excellent (Blue Flag status)	Good	Good	Good	Good
St Annes North	Good	Excellent	Good	Good	Good	Sufficient	Sufficient	Sufficient
St Annes Pier	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good



- 8. The Bathing Water classification for St Annes Pier is classed as good for 2021 however the classification for St Annes North has been classified as sufficient. The deterioration of the water quality at St Annes North is of concern to the Council and the Environment Agency.
- 9. The Environment Agency has identified St Annes and St Annes North as a priority bathing waters. Prior to the pandemic we held a meeting with representatives from the Environment Agency, Ribble Rivers Trust, Turning Tides, LOVEmyBEACH and United Utilities to draw up an action plan for the 2021 bathing season. Progress has been limited due to ongoing impact from the pandemic.

#### Appendix 1

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NO	Sample taken	escherichia coli	intestinal
		colonies/100ml	enterococci
			colonies/100ml
170	10/05/2021	860	380
171	18/05/2021	10	10
172	25/05/2021	2300	1500
173	28/05/2021	10	10
174	06/06/2021	10	10
175	11/06/2021	180	350
176	14/06/2021	18	10
177	25/06/2021	91	150
178	29/06/2021	27	18
179	07/07/2021	27	10
180	13/07/2021	45	36
181	22/07/2021	45	10
182	25/07/2021	27	18
183	28/07/2021	430	120
184	06/08/2021	64	100
185	10/08/2021	1200	210
186	12/08/2021	450	680
187	23/08/2021	55	18
188	26/08/2021	10	10
189	06/09/2021	10	55

# St Annes North Bathing Water 2020 (reduced data set due to coronavirus restrictions)

NO	Sample taken	escherichia coli colonies/100ml	intestinal enterococci colonies/100ml
161	22/07/2020	640	490
162	31/07/2020	160	91
163	03/08/2020	18	27
164	10/08/2020	45	< 10
165	19/08/2020	1100	220
166	24/08/2020	620	110
167	07/09/2020	91	160
168	16/09/2020	230	220
169	28/09/2020	320	18

# St Annes North Bathing Water 2019

NO	Sample taken	escherichia coli colonies/100ml	intestinal enterococci colonies/100ml
141	02/05/2019 10:40	36	10
142	16/05/2019 10:20	10	10
143	19/05/2019 11:05	82	45
144	22/05/2019 13:21	10	10
145	31/05/2019 10:01	10	36
146	04/06/2019 12:20	10	18
147	14/06/2019 10:10	1400	490
148	17/06/2019 11:35	420	55
149	21/06/2019 13:40	27	10
150	30/06/2019 11:16	220	45
151	02/07/2019 11:10	18	27
152	15/07/2019 10:17	36	10
153	18/07/2019 13:00	10	18
154	31/07/2019 10:30	2600	380
155	06/08/2019 15:40	300	150
156	12/08/2019 10:01	420	170
157	20/08/2019 15:10	240	36
158	30/08/2019 10:15	300	82
159	02/09/2019 12:41	520	410
160	04/09/2019 13:51	160	82

# St Annes North Bathing Water 2018

NO	Sample taken	escherichia coli colonies/100ml	intestinal enterococci colonies/100ml
121	01/05/2018 12:40	10	10
122	15/05/2018 11:35	18	45
123	27/05/2018 11:15	10	18
124	31/05/2018 11:45	18	10
125	04/06/2018 15:05	18	10
126	12/06/2018 10:50	36	27
127	18/06/2018 15:30	45	18
128	24/06/2018 10:45	10	10
129	27/06/2018 11:45	10	10
130	03/07/2018 13:10	10	18
131	11/07/2018 10:15	18	10
132	24/07/2018 09:40	118	18
133	27/07/2018 11:10	18	10
134	01/08/2018 14:48	55	36
135	10/08/2018 11:05	370	64
136	16/08/2018 14:04	410	73
137	23/08/2018 11:15	27	36
138	29/08/2018 13:50	82	10
139	07/09/2018 10:30	1000	909
140	11/09/2018 12:20	2200	2700

St Annes Pier Bathing Water 2021

NO	Sample taken	escherichia coli colonies/100ml	intestinal enterococci colonies/100ml
170	10/05/2021	210	63
171	18/05/2021	10	10
172	25/05/2021	2400	430
173	28/05/2021	10	10
174	06/06/2021	10	10
175	11/06/2021	10	10
176	14/06/2021	10	10
177	25/06/2021	82	18
178	29/06/2021	10	10
179	07/07/2021	27	10
180	13/07/2021	18	10
181	22/07/2021	10	10
182	25/07/2021	73	10
183	28/07/2021	580	130
184	06/08/2021	150	91
185	10/08/2021	160	82
186	12/08/2021	450	36
187	23/08/2021	45	10
188	26/08/2021	18	10
189	06/09/2021	55	55

## St Annes Pier Bathing Water 2020 (reduced data set due to coronavirus restrictions)

NO	Sample taken	escherichia coli colonies/100ml	intestinal enterococci colonies/100ml
161	22/07/2020	250	300
162	31/07/2020	36	< 10
163	03/08/2020	27	< 10
164	10/08/2020	200	18
165	19/08/2020	240	64
166	24/08/2020	510	< 10
167	07/09/2020	27	27
168	16/09/2020	180	64
169	28/09/2020	290	64

# St Annes Pier Bathing Water 2019

NO	Sample taken	escherichia coli colonies/100ml	intestinal enterococci colonies/100ml
141	02/05/2019 10:50	10	10
142	16/05/2019 10:35	10	10
143	19/05/2019 11:15	18	10
144	22/05/2019 13:36	10	10
145	31/05/2019 10:20	27	27
146	04/06/2019 12:35	10	10
147	14/06/2019 10:00	73	200
148	17/06/2019 11:15	45	27
149	21/06/2019 13:30	27	10
150	30/06/2019 11:47	18	10
151	02/07/2019 11:25	10	10
152	15/07/2019 10:05	10	10
153	18/07/2019 13:45	10	10
154	31/07/2019 10:50	3000	400
155	06/08/2019 15:20	320	100
156	12/08/2019 10:21	520	120
157	20/08/2019 15:20	82	10
158	30/08/2019 10:35	830	550
159	02/09/2019 13:01	210	530
160	04/09/2019 14:20	130	36

## St Annes Pier Bathing Water 2018

NO	Sample taken	escherichia coli	intestinal
		colonies/100ml	enterococci colonies/100ml
121	01/05/2018 14:40	55	27
122	15/05/2018 11:35	82	164
123	27/05/2018 11:15	10	10
124	31/05/2018 11:45	10	10
125	04/06/2018 15:05	10	10
126	12/06/2018 10:50	27	10
127	18/06/2018 15:30	10	27
128	24/06/2018 10:45	10	10
129	27/06/2018 11:45	10	10
130	03/07/2018 13:10	10	10
131	11/07/2018 10:15	18	10
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## **CONTAIN OUTBREAK MANAGEMENT FUND (COMF) - UPDATE**

#### **PUBLIC ITEM**

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

#### **SUMMARY OF INFORMATION**

In 2020/21 the Government introduced a fund to assist local authorities to limit the potential for the spread of the virus namely the Contain Outbreak Management Fund (COMF).

The fund provided local authorities in England with finance to help reduce the spread of the virus and support local public health. The funding was put in place to recognise the on-going public health and outbreak management costs to local government in tackling COVID-19.

Fylde was initially awarded £888,580 for 2020/21, with a further award of £101,179 being made for 2021/22.

The government has advised that any underspend can be rolled forward to 2022/23 which will provide the council with some flexibility in supporting some of the projects beyond year-end. Details of projects supported with the funding is attached to this report.

#### **SOURCE OF INFORMATION**

**Director of Resources** 

#### WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

To update members on the expenditure, until the end of February 2022, on the COMF. The government has advised that any underspend can be rolled forward to 2022/23 which will provide the council with some flexibility in supporting some of the projects beyond year-end.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Contact Tracy Manning - tracy.manning@fylde.gov.uk

### **Contain Outbreak Management Funding (MHCLG)**

	contraining (whitele)	Act	ual Expenditure		
COMF Funding Category	Expenditure / Project	2020/21	Apr - Feb	Total	Notes
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Food consultants for premises recovery	0.00	9,345.00	9,345.00	Budget £35,000 Budget Remaining £25,655
Clinically Vulnerable / shielding	Support for the vulnerable / sheilding from April 1st	0.00	23,925.00	23,925.00	Budget £55,000 Budget Remaining £31,075
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	Surveys, research, report and administration cost fo evaluation feedback and shared learning on impact of COVID, recovery of the community and economy and long term action / support	0.00	0.00	0.00	Budget Committed/Remaining £20,000
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Covid-19 Enforcement <b>2021 /22</b> (Revenue & Capital) - 3345	0.00	155,948.13	155,948.13	Budget £208,000 Remaining £52,051.87 Split: Revenue 11051.87 Capital £41,000 (Transit Courier £18k & Gator £23k)
Vaccine Deployment	Vaccination Unit	0.00	12,684.00	12,684.00	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance plus comms	Road Map resource and compliance supervisor role - 20 week position to co-ordinate all COVID related measures and projects within the council and between partners.	0.00	28,000.00	28,000.00	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Extending arrangements with CSP - 3345	0.00	40,980.00	40,980.00	Complete
Additional Contact Tracing	Covid-19 Lateral Flow Testing to 30/09/2022 & Rural Mobile Unit	0.00	0.00	0.00	Funded by LCC expenditure on 3329
Additional Contact Tracing	Covid-19 Contract Tracing to 30/06/2021	17,396.00	64,946.25	82,342.25	Complete
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	Covid Outbreak Communications	30,776.99	64,723.01	95,500.00	Complete
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	Hire of Electronic Signage to 31/03/21	2,871.39	0.00	2,871.39	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Additional Bulk bins and housings - Road Map Resource	19,820.57	5,943.15	25,763.72	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	In year overtime operational operational costs overspent on 3470 and 3450 agency budgets	70,000.00	0.00	70,000.00	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Additional litter pickers / baggers / coastal custodians 29/3 to 17/5 and drivers or agency - Road Map Resource	0.00	0.00	0.00	Complete
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	Printing Signgage, Advertising digitial and print, videography & photography	0.00	14,277.76	14,277.76	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Possible provision of toilet blocks with cleaner Easter Weekend or signage and marking for existing toilets- Road Map Resource	4,715.00	2,590.00	7,305.00	Complete
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	TIC advisors six weekends 29/3 to 17/5 - Road Map Resource	0.00	2,908.33	2,908.33	Complete
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	Additional 2 months hire of digital display screens	0.00	6,068.46	6,068.46	Complete
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	Purchase of digital screen and licence	0.00	22,250.00	22,250.00	Complete - Capital
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Continuation of Covid Secure Officers (64 hours a week at scp 11 for 13 weeks) .	0.00	12,457.10	12,457.10	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Funding for addtional parks staff resource - 3 x agency gardeners/ litter pickers at £12.09 per hour - 37 hours per week from 29th March for 21 weeks	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Portable toilets and servicing - North Beach car park, St Annes to May 17th	0.00	33,677.03	33,677.03	Complete
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	Borough wide signage campaign for each stage of the national Road Map	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance plus comms	Costs which can't be identified to approved schemes	0.00	14,310.06	14,310.06	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	COVID Ambassdors providing weekend and Bank Holiday advice, support, monitoring at each stage of the Road Map	0.00	10,343.07	10,343.07	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Signage for concessionaires to assist with socially distanced queueing	0.00	0.00	0.00	Complete
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	Toilet signage	0.00	1,147.16	1,147.16	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Increased staffing resources are required to manage extra crowd stewardship and extra cleansing and sanitising between bookable periods of use to September 2021	0.00	14,618.31	14,618.31	Complete
Compliance & enforcement of restrictions & guidance	Extra costs to cover high demand shift patterns to respond to high visitor number during the summer months	0.00	4,873.21	4,873.21	Complete
Enhanced Comms & Marketing	Covid outbreak communications	0.00	34,892.47	34,892.47	Complete
	Total	145.579.95	618.907.50	764.487.45	

Total 145,579.95 618,907.50 764,487.45

COMF Funding -888,580.00 -101,180.47 -989,760.47

Available as at 1st March -225,273.02

 Estimated Commitments to 31st March 2022:

 Enforcement Team
 11,052.00

 Support for Vulnerable
 20,000.00

 Food Consultants
 4,000.00

 Estimate Funding to c/f 2022/23
 -190,221.02



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#### **LANCASHIRE PUBLIC HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT 2021-22**

#### **PUBLIC ITEM**

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

#### **SUMMARY OF INFORMATION**

At a recent meeting of Lancashire County Council's Cabinet, the Lancashire Public Health Annual report was presented to members. The report analyses the issues affecting people's wellbeing and explains the health inequalities between different communities between different communities. It also highlights the effects of the coronavirus pandemic on people's lives and livelihoods.

#### **SOURCE OF INFORMATION**

Director of Public Health at Lancashire County Council, Dr Sakthi Karunanithi.

#### WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

Public health falls within the remit of the Environment, Health and Housing Committee.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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Towards a thriving Lancashire Recovering our health and wellbeing

## Public Health Annual Report

2021 - 2022





## **Towards a thriving Lancashire**

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## Foreword by The Director of Public Health for Lancashire



This year's public health report builds on the previous report entitled 'Investing in the health and wellbeing of Lancashire 2019-2020' published just before the Covid-19 pandemic began. The pandemic has shown how interlinked securing our health is with every other aspect of our lives and indeed the global economy. It has also shown that with the resolve of our communities across Lancashire, we have endured unprecedented restrictions to lives and relied on mutually protective behaviours in keeping Lancashire safe and well.

With the prospect of reducing levels of infections, thanks to the measures like handwashing, face masks, regular testing, and better ventilated spaces, along with increasing immunity achieved through the vaccination programme, we are beginning to see the signs of how this pandemic will end. Whilst this could mark the beginning of the end of the immediate crisis, it also marks the end of the beginning of what looks like a long and significant road of recovery and reforms in Lancashire.

Whilst remaining hopeful, we must also act with humility that we are still in the middle of a pandemic and be honest in our appraisals of the health inequalities deepened during the last two years. Real world evidence tells us that approximately 20 per cent of a person's health is dependent on the healthcare services they receive. The other 80 per cent is accounted for by what is known as the social determinants of health. The World Health Organisation states that "the social conditions in which people are born, live, and work are the single most important determinant of good health or ill health, of a long and productive life, or a short and poor quality one. Social determinants of health include experience during the early years, education, working conditions, income, housing, communities and environment, and discrimination and exclusion".

Local government has a successful track record of making significant differences to the public's health by working with local communities to ensure that places continue to thrive. Most local government action happens with the close collaboration of other sectors such as the NHS, businesses and the voluntary, community, faith and social enterprises.

With a greater level of collaboration amongst the local government sector ahead in the form of a Greater Lancashire Plan along with the creation of Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System (ICS), we can make further and faster progress on social determinants of health in Lancashire and in pursuing a cross sector programme of work in reducing health inequalities.

This report describes the state of our health and wellbeing across Lancashire and how Covid-19 has impacted our lives and livelihoods. It aims to reframe our health as an asset in Lancashire rather than a liability and highlights the importance of our actions to develop a thriving and inclusive economy and addressing climate change as key determinants of our wellbeing. The report also makes high level recommendations to improve our outcomes and reducing inequalities.

Whilst our team continues to respond to the threats to our health posed by the pandemic, we are also determined to recover key public health outcomes and support the reform of wider public services in reducing health inequalities. Our aim is to support Lancashire residents thrive well through better life chances. I look forward to working with you in developing Lancashire as a safer, fairer, and a healthier place for all.

#### Dr Sakthi Karunanithi

Director of Public Health Lancashire County Council

## 1. Population at a Glance



But projected growth is below NW and England

The gender ratio is currently
49.4% men

**\$50.6%** women

## Estimated ethnic breakdown of Lancashire's population (2019)

- White: Lancashire 91% (89% White British) England - 84% (79% White British)
- Ethnic minority communities: 9% compared to 16% in England.
- Asian (7%) is the largest ethnic minority group (compared to 8% in England)
- Pendle **(23%)** and Preston **(22%)** have the largest ethnic minority communities
- Burnley and Hyndburn have 14% ethnic minority communities.
- Ribble Valley, West Lancashire and Wyre have a 2% ethnic minority population.



children aged **0-19** in Lancashire in 2020, an increase of **0.5%** on 2019.

The **%** of children living in low income households was **higher** than for England.



School readiness in Lancashire is **worse** than for England.

#### **Lancashire Health Inequalities**

The latest female life expectancy (LE) at birth in Lancashire (2018-20) was



years. This is **0.3** years **lower** than in 2017-19.

The latest male life expectancy (LE) at birth in Lancashire (2018-20) was

78.3

This is **0.3** years **lower** than in 2017-1

## Lancashire Economy



£32.6 billion

gross domestic product

£28.5 billion

gross value added

44,970



businesses

98%

employ less than 50 people

**Productivity** 

£31.60 per hour worked



below England's figure

#### The Covid-19 Pandemic in Lancashire - 31 October 2021



187k

cases so far in Lancashire, that's around

**15.2%** 

of the total population which is higher than the England %



3,225

Covid deaths (within 28 days) to date. Most Covid-19 deaths so far occurred during 2020



185

patients in hospital with Covid-19 now. Winter 20/21 saw up to

800

per day



Covid-19 vaccinations has now covered

**79.4**%

of 16+ population with 1 dose

**72.9%** 

of 16+ population with 2 doses

#### Ageing Well in Lancashire

The Lancashire population aged **65+** was

255,637 in 2020.

The 65+ population has increased by

**2,600**people between 2019 and 2020.

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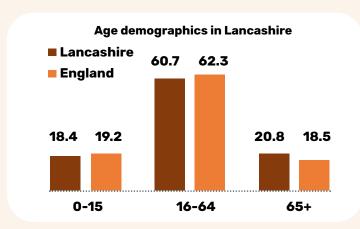
Known as the **old age dependency ratio**, Lancashire has only **2.9** working age people per older person, which is lower than England which has **3.7** working age people to one older person

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## **Quality of Life**

#### **Healthy Ageing**

Longer lives are one of society's greatest achievements but with over half of adults expected to be 50 or over by 2035, we must seize the opportunity to enable more people in later life to be **happy, healthy and active.** 



Lancashire has a **higher %** of older people than the North West or indeed England.

#### **Unpaid Carers**

Becoming an **unpaid carer** in your 50s
increases a person's
chances of leaving the
labour market for good,
is associated with health
problems and restricts
social and leisure activities.



In 2020 there were an estimated

38,396

people in Lancashire over the age of **65** providing unpaid care to a partner, family member or other, by **2035** this number will have risen by an estimated **28%** to

49,219

## Factors that contribute towards living a healthy life

#### **Healthy Weight**

Lancashire (67.4%) had a higher proportion of adults classed as overweight or obese than England. (62.8%) (2019/20)

#### **Activity**

In Lancashire (23.9%) the proportion of physically inactive adults was similar to the England value (22.9%) (2019/20)

#### Vaccinations

In 2019/20, **72.6%** of those in Lancashire aged **65+** had their **flu vaccination**. This was slightly higher than the England value **(72.4%)** but lower than the national **75%** target for this age group.



#### Smoking

The percentage of adult smokers (13.8%) was similar to the North West (14.5%) and England value (13.9%) (2019)

#### **Health Checks/Screening**

**56.2%** of the eligible population (age 40-74) in Lancashire had their **NHS Health Check** (2016/17-2021), which was better than the England average of **33.4%**.

**Bowel cancer screening** coverage in Lancashire **increased** to **65.5%** and is higher than the England average of **63.8%** 

## 2. Health Inequalities in Lancashire

Life expectancy has decreased overall in both the most and least deprived areas. Males living in the least deprived communities live 10.3 years longer than those in the most deprived, and the gap is 7.8 years for females.

#### Life expectancy

## Where are we now?

Life Expectancy (LE) at Birth



Healthy Life Expectancy (HLE)



Disability Free Life Expectancy (DFLE)



## How do we compare?

#### Life Expectancy (LE) at Birth

For both women and men, LE in Lancashire is just higher than the NW but **lower** than England.

Lancashire	NW	England
**************************************	<b>81.7</b>	11 83.1
<b>78.3</b>	<b>77.9</b>	<b>7</b> 9.4

#### **Healthy Life Expectancy (HLE)**

In Lancashire HLE is **similar to** the **North West** 

**61.7** Men **62.2** Women

and lower than **England** values for men and women

**63.2** Men **63.5** Women

#### Disability Free Life Expectancy (DFLE)



For women DFLE is statistically similar to the England value of

**61.2** 



but for men DFLE is **lower** than the England value of

**62.7** 

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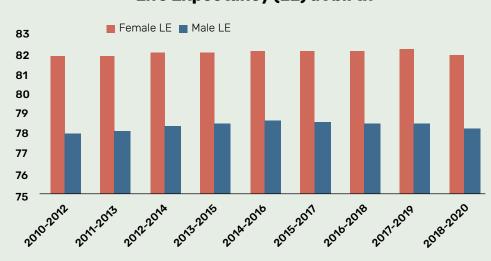
## **Lancashire Trends**



## Life Expectancy (LE)

LE has been gradually increasing but dropped in 2018-20

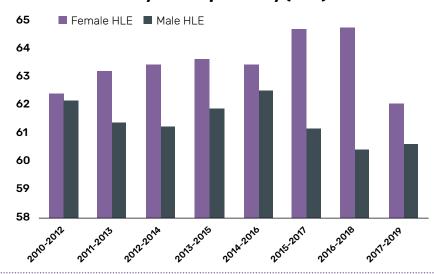
#### Life Expectancy (LE) at birth



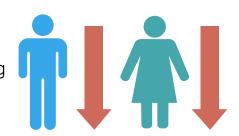
## Healthy Life Expectancy (HLE)



#### **Healthy Life Expectancy (HLE)**



Life expectancy is falling and falling faster in most deprived areas.



Inequality in life expectancy at birth for both **males** and **females** is in the

second worst quintile in England

Across Lancashire there is a wide variation in

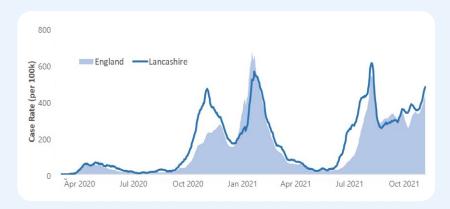
## male and female

life expectancy. The **lowest** is in Burnley and **highest** is in the Ribble Valley.



## 2.1 Covid-19 Pandemic

### Lancashire Covid-19 Cases over Time >187,000 cases recorded (Oct 2021)



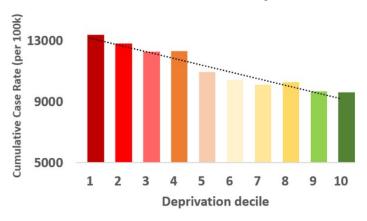


Lancashire cases rates are currently higher than England rates.

Lancashire was also often ahead of the curve experiencing case rises sooner than England.

Over **187.000** cases have been recorded so far in Lancashire (Data at 20 October 2021) although this is being closely monitored.

#### **Lancashire Cases and Deprivation**



The cumulative case rate (per 100k population) was higher for deprived decile areas and lower for the least deprived areas. The graph shows the relationship to August 2021.

However, during September and October 2021 cases have been more evenly distributed between deprivation deciles. This will be due in part to high child case numbers.

#### **Lancashire Cases at District Level**

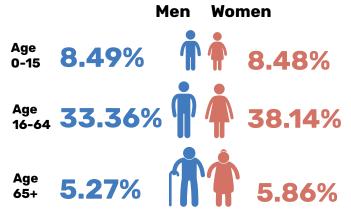
Cases were **not distributed** evenly around the districts. Cumulative cases as of 20 October 2021 are mapped below.



## Lancashire Covid-19 Cases and Age/Gender

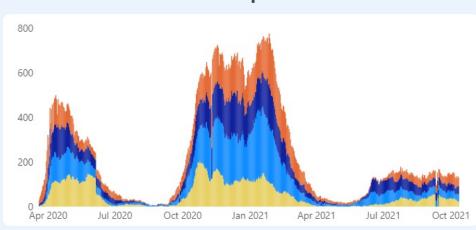
of cases were in the working age population.

The higher proportion of cases in women represents this larger population group, especially age 65+. For most, hospitalisation risk and/or death was small if baseline health was good and vaccination received.



#### Covid-19 Hospitalisations, Vaccination and Deaths

#### **Lancashire Covid-19 Hospitalisations over Time**

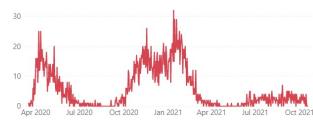


Winter 2020/21 saw most Covid-19 inpatients - with up to 800 in hospital daily (October 2020-January 2021).

Beyond this time the number of people admitted to hospital was lower. This reduction aligned with the widespread vaccination roll out programme and improved treatments for Covid-19.

At the time of collating (Oct 2021) there were around 130 Covid-19 inpatients on any given day and patient numbers were fairly steady.

#### Lancashire Covid-19 Deaths



Distribution of Covid-19 deaths by age and gender

Age <16

Aae 16-64

Women

Since the beginning of the pandemic to date (Oct 2021) there have been around 3.225 Lancashire deaths within 28 days of a Covid-19 diagnosis: around 2.000 during the year 2020 and 1,200 so far during 2021.

The winter period - Nov 2020 to Feb 2021- accounted for almost half (45.5%) of Covid-19 deaths so far.

Deaths in the 65+ age group

were highest. **Deaths in men** 

were higher than in women.

Covid-19 mortality rate varied

Lancaster were worse than

England. Note: the districts with higher rates than England

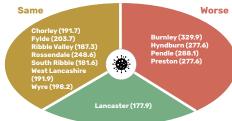
are also those highest % of

deprived areas (data to Aug 21).

by district (right), and all except

districts EXCEPT Lancaster had mortality rates the same or worse than England during the period March 2020 - April 2021.

Covid-19 mortality rates varied by district, all



**Districts with the worst rates** = those with highest % of deprived areas.

For the two main ethnicities in Lancashire. White British, and Asian/Asian British, at October 2021, cumulative Covid-19 Case rates in Lancashire were:

**Around** per 100k for White **British residents** 

per 100k for Asian/

Definitive quality assured data has not been published, so rates above were computed from case numbers and 2011 Census based population estimates.

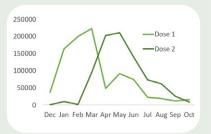
**Around Asian British residents** 

### Lancashire **Vaccination**

Up to

200k

doses were being administered per month during spring/summer 2021.

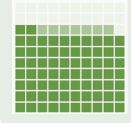


At late Oct 2021.

of the adult Lancashire population (aged 12+) had been given their first dose vaccine.

72.9%

had also had their second.



The 'booster' rollout has started. find more data here

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## 3. Early Years, Children and Young People

**Child Inequalities - wider determinants** 

Analysis shows the number of children

aged 0 to 15

in Lancashire will peak in 2022 and then begin to decline.



In Lancashire (2020) there were

281,290 (22.9%)



children age 0-19. This is less than 23.6% regionally and England

### Children Looked after

The numbers of Children Looked after is significantly higher than the England average



83 per 10,000

in Lancashire compared to

in England.

Trend shows the rate is increasing and getting worse.



Children in absolute low-income families (under 16s) - remains significantly worse than the England average. The trend shows it increasing and getting worse.

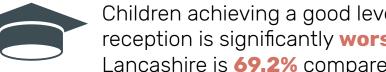






The percentage of children with free school meal status achieving a good level of development at the end of reception for Lancashire is **52.3%** and worse than the **56.5%** England average.





Children achieving a good level of development at the end of reception is significantly worse than the England average. Lancashire is 69.2% compared to 71.8% in England in 2018/19,

#### **Child Health Inequalities**

Overall, comparing local indicators with England averages, the health and wellbeing of children in Lancashire is worse than England.

#### **Infant mortality**

infants dying each year before the age of one - this is similar to **England** (2018-20)

deaths each year for those aged 1-17 years

which is **worse than England** (2017-19).

368 (3.27%)

Live births at term with low birth weight are similar to the England rate.



Infant mortality rate is higher in the more deprived areas of the county.

25%

of receptionaged children are overweight or obese, which is worse than England (2019/20)



of year six children, are overweight or obese (2019/20). This rate is similar to England but increasing and getting worse

12.1%

of women **smoke while pregnant**. This is worse than England **(9.6%)**, but the trend is showing an **improving** picture (2020/21).

## The teenage pregnancy rate (under-18)

**387** 

girls becoming pregnant in a year (2019).



The trend shows no significant change. This is worse than the England average

Lancashire's teenage pregnancy rate was **20.3** per **1,000** females aged 15-17, compared to England's **15.7** 

Obesity levels in children have **increased** during the pandemic which is a major public health issue for children. This is likely to be caused by higher calorie intakes due to change in lifestyles and habits including buying more food and having more takeaways as well as reduced opportunities for sports and physical activity due to lockdown.

30.4%

of five-year-olds having visually obvious **dental decay** (2018/19). This is **worse** than **23.4%** England average

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The rate of hospital admissions for **mental** health conditions for under-18s is

93.6 per 100,000

**similar to England.** This rate is **decreasing** and getting better (2019/20).

In 10-24 year olds, the rate of **hospital admissions** due to **self harm** is

482.7 per 100,000

This is worse than England (2019/20)

By age two,

89.4%



of children have had one dose of the measles, mumps and rubella vaccination (2020/21).

This is **worse** than the **90.3%** England average.

## 3.1 Impact of Covid-19 on Children

Providing face-to-face health visiting services has been a challenge during the lockdown. However, health assessments and reviews have still been undertaken with thousands of new mothers and babies being assessed.

Between April 2020 and March 2021

7,430 (66%)

mothers received an antenatal contact.

By July 2021 this **has increased to** 

78%

Between April 2019 and March 2020

9,496 (79%)

infants **received a 6-8-week check** compared to

7,440 (64%)

between April 2020 - March 2021

(This is worse than 80% England average)

This has increased to 89% by July 2021

Between April 2019 and March 2020

9,338 (78%)

mothers received a **birth visit by 14 days** compared to

10,001 (86%)

between April 2020 - March 2021

(This is worse than 88% England average)

This has **increased to** 

91%

by July 2021



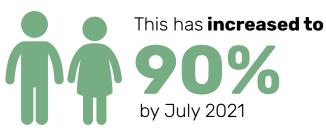
Between April 2019 and March 2020

11,412 (92%)

infants received a **12-month** review by **15 months** compared to

10,700 (85%)

between April 2020 - March 2021 (This is **better** than **76%** England average)



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Between April 2020 and March 2021

10,648 (83%)

of children received a 2-2.5 year review. This is better than the England average (71%). This has increased to 84% by July 2021.



## What are our school age children telling us about their health needs?

The academic year 2020/21 was faced with many challenges, including a lockdown, school closures and children and young people isolating. This pandemic has had an impact on the mental health and wellbeing of young people as identified in the 2021 health needs assessment survey.

**54%** 

of year 9s often or always feel angry. This is more than the **49%** in 2019.

of year 9s often feel overwhelmed by daily problems and difficulties and cannot cope. This is higher than the **9%** in 2019.

**30%** 

of year 9s often or always feel lonely. This is higher than the **22%** in 2019.

21%

of year 9s hardly ever or never feel hopeful about their future which is higher than the **16%** in 2019.

19%

of year 9s have deliberately hurt or harmed themselves.

This is higher than the 15% in 2019.

## **Actions**

#### Population health -

partnership working to deliver actions in the infant mortality action plan – **1001** critical days.





## Breastfeeding advice and support available

Health visiting services, Children and Family Wellbeing Service and breastfeeding peer support were re-accredited with Baby Friendly Gold Standard in May 2021.

## Free healthy start vitamins

Free healthy start vitamins targeted at babies and families through the health visiting service.





Information and interventions to **reduce child deaths** from cosleeping and sudden infant deaths.

## Universal provision of services

- All families to be offered 5 mandated visits.
- All schools to have access to a named school nurse.



#### **Vision screening**

Every child will be offered a vision screen in reception.



#### School readiness

- Implementation of the early years strategy.
- Early language identification measure (ELIM) to be introduced as part of the 2 ½ year assessment.

#### **Oral health**

- Free toothbrushes and toothpaste.
- · Supervised toothbrushing.
- Developement of an oral health strategy.



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#### Mental health

- Support for perinatal and postnatal mental health.
- Building resilience in children
- Training and resourses for education settings.

#### Child obesity

 Using a targeted approach to reduce childhood obesity through interventions supporting families and children to make healthier choices.



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## 4. Communities and Place

During the Covid-19 pandemic local communities have demonstrated their collective collaboration and mobilisation of skills and assets through community hubs that have enabled some of the most vulnerable in society to be supported with essential needs and services.

### **Tackling Inequalities -Community Hubs and Community Support**

District and city councils set up community hubs to provide support to vulnerable people due to their age, health factors or through self-isolation, working alongside their local voluntary, community, faith and social enterprise (VCFSE) sector. Existing and new community groups came together, to provide support and work with their communities.

This included help to access a wide range of support such as food, medicine and finance, as well as support required to manage their mental health and find ways to keep connected socially while being isolated at home. During the pandemic communities across Lancashire responded quickly to provide much needed practical and emotional support. Examples are to the right.

#### **Lancashire Volunteer Partnership**

#### **NHS Vaccination Marshalling** Between 01/01/21 and 30/9/21

2.062 volunteers accepted

#### **Community Social Befriending**

Between 01/04/21 and 30/9/21 **659** volunteers

#### **NHS Volunteer Responders**

Providing vital support to communities including shopping, medication, telephone welfare. Over a 12-month period:

5.887

referrals were made.

4.635

people were helped,

**15.177** volunteers signed up.

Supported over

families and over

children during the

### **District/City Council Hubs**

Set up to offer support to

90,727

shielding people to ensure they were provided with food, medicine and practical support

#### **Active Lancashire Challenge through Sport**

Chit Chat WhatsApp group supporting those in substance misuse recovery and with poor mental health, ensuring

participants always had someone to talk to and participation in training or activities.

Volunteering and Community Support

#### **Age UK Lancashire**

home visits to deliver essential shopping, cleaning and practical support.

people supported to remain independent following discharge from hospital.

#### **Home Start Central Lancashire**

lockdown of 2020-21

#### **Disability Equality**

33.000

'safe and well' calls to up to

6.500

disabled clients and

PPE deliveries

and supported clients with over 300 discrimination claims related to compulsory face covering and 'hidden' disabilities.

#### **Central Lancashire Age Concern**

The charity delivered over

**15,000** parcels containing food and dementia packs.

The team received over 2,000

calls and made a further 12.127 to those isolating. Over 380 new volunteers signed up and supported delivering meals, which equated to over 9.8 tonnes of food.

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#### Collaboration

Across the wider VCFSE sector we have seen an increase in the number of people volunteering and there has been recognition of the key role played by this sector in supporting our communities, such as:

Preston Wellfest Successful mental health event delivering activities to address the inequality gap. 15 local organisations invited - providing stalls, activities, advice, information and workshops to improve mental health and wellbeing

Lancaster Food Poverty Alliance Co-ordinating the distribution of food, including a project making frozen ready meals for those most vulnerable due to physical or mental ill health, or lack of cooking equipment. The project delivered to about 100 people every week over a six-month period. The alliance also launched their five-year action plan

Lancashire Food Networking Event The first Lancashire Food Networking Event was held in July 2021. The event brought community food organisations across Lancashire, including statutory authorities and members of the VCFSE to share experiences of food insecurity throughout the pandemic. 26 organisations attended and further collaboration is scheduled.

Fleetwood Together A collaboration with St Wulstan and St Edmunds Catholic parish, St Peter's C of E Parish, West View Community Centre, and other organisations successfully delivered food to 600 households, feeding up to 1,300–1,400 people

Mosques as Vaccine Centres As part of support delivering the Covid-19 vaccines to targeted groups, two mosques in Burnley became local vaccination centres and delivered over 600 first and second doses. Brierfield community centre aligned with a local mosque to provide a further 200 doses.

West
Preston
Methodist
Church:
@Home Café

Set up to provide holistic support to vulnerable individuals, addressing physical, mental, emotional/social, and spiritual needs. Over 50 people have engaged with one or more activities, and this holistic approach to wellbeing is a fantastic example of what faith groups have to offer by working in partnership.

## Actions – some of the many projects that received funding support

#### **Lancashire Community Food Grant Scheme**

During 2020/21 **grants were awarded** to 45 community food organisations with grants totalling **£42,053** to support projects that provide emergency food and tackle food insecurity to those most in need..





## Community Foundation for Lancashire – Red Rose Responding Fund

A total of £125,446 has been awarded over 27 grants for mental health support projects. The fund continues and will distribute grants again early in 2022-23. As a consequence, Fylde Coast Women's Aid provided free advice and support to individuals experiencing domestic abuse, stalking and child sexual exploitation. Peer support, drop-in sessions, and recovery support for up to 65 women, included emotional, psychological and practical support.

## Wesley's Larder & Café (Community Hub Funding)

A project supplying low-cost wholesome meals and providing PPE. It delivered **70+ Christmas dinners to vulnerable people**, and supported schools links to the New Roots programme to support asylum seekers with language classes, food and accommodation.





## Fylde Coast Women's Aid (Community Hub Funding)

Provided free advice and support to individuals who are experiencing domestic abuse, stalking and child sexual exploitation. Funds went towards an outreach post to providing peer support, drop in sessions, and to map a unique tailored recovery pathway for a group of between 60-65 women, to include emotional, psychological and practical support eg. safety planning, identifying coping mechanisms, parenting and improving financial capability.

## 5. Environment and Climate

Our environment underpins all aspects of our daily lives. The Covid-19 pandemic has highlighted the interconnected nature of our health and the health of the planet. From the origins of disease to greater vulnerability resulting from social inequality, poor air quality and other environmental factors.



The World Health Organisation has declared climate change the single biggest health threat facing humanity. The UK government has set a commitment to be Net Zero by 2050 to meet global commitments to limit temperature rise. However, past emissions means that significant climate impacts are inevitable.



Average annual temperatures in the North West are already around 1.5°C higher in the 21st century compared with the end of the 19th century.

There is likely to be significant increase in rainfall intensity and frequency of very heavy rainfall, leading to more frequent river flooding.

Experiencing loss and damage from extreme weather can increase the chance of facing mental health problems by 50%. Many residents that have been flooded live with the issues caused at least two years after the event.

Lancashire's climate is projected to be significantly warmer by the 2080s with a 20-30% increase in winter rainfall and a 20-40% decrease in summer rainfall.

The effects are already being felt.
There have been a **number of major wildfires on our moorlands** and
more frequent weather events such as
Storm Dennis in 2020. In 2015 Storm
Desmond left around **5,200 homes flooded** and more than **43,000 homes without power** across
Lancashire and Cumbria.





### **Emissions**

In 2019 Lancashire's carbon emissions were

7.4

million tonnes.

The **transport sector** is the largest source making up

35% of emissions,



followed by industry and commercial sectors combined

**31%** 

and the domestic

25%

- Lancashire's emissions have reduced by 32.7% between 2005 and 2019. Nationally, total emissions have reduced by 36%. This has been driven mainly by a large reduction in the amount of coal used for electricity generation.
- The rate of reduction has levelled in recent years.
   There is a huge challenge to meet **net zero** ambitions which will require changes to the way electricity is generated, how people travel, how land is used and how buildings are heated.

## **Inequality**

As the pandemic has demonstrated, communities that are already disadvantaged are among the most vulnerable to the effects of systemic shocks and extreme events, and climate change has the potential to widen existing health inequalities.



Older people are at most risk of extremes of heat and cold; lower income groups are disproportionately impacted by extreme weather by virtue of living in poorer quality housing in vulnerable locations and are less likely to be able to modify their homes to adapt to climate change.

Health equity needs to be at the heart of climate action to ensure that costs are not unfairly borne by people on low incomes, who often bear least responsibility for the emissions that cause climate change.

## Impact of Covid-19 on the Environment



The Covid-19 pandemic and the resulting restrictions imposed have provided some

positive impacts on the environment, including lower emissions, improved air and water quality, reduced noise pollution and, in some cases, wildlife restoration. There has been an unprecedented impact on transport patterns, both in terms of the modes of transport we use and how frequently and far we travel.

Nationally, carbon dioxide emissions have estimated to

have **fallen** by **10.7%** in 2020 from 2019, primarily due to the large reduction in the use of road transport during the nationwide lockdowns and the reduction in business activity. However, as activity continues to resume any benefit is likely to be shortlived, and unlikely to have any significant impact on meeting longer-term emission targets.

There are opportunities to build on beneficial changes seen during the pandemic in how we live, work, produce, consume and travel, and the way our communities have mobilised to provide help and support to those in need.

#### **Co-benefits of Health and Climate Action**

Action to mitigate and adapt to climate change can have lasting health improvements. From cleaner air, warmer and more energy-efficient homes, increased physical activity, more access to greenspace, improved mental health and creating well adapted, resilient communities.



There is a close relationship between **carbon emissions and air pollution**. There are 19 air quality management areas in Lancashire, designated due to poor air quality caused by vehicle emissions. Whilst levels of nitrogen oxides and particulates are below national air quality objectives, there is no evidence of a safe level of exposure below which there is no risk of adverse health effects.

The percentage of **adults walking and cycling for travel** at least three days a week is worse than the England average at just **11.9%** and **1.6%** respectively. Most commuter journeys are made by private vehicles **(69%)**, just **7%** are by public transport with **13%** walking or cycling. Creating a modal shift away from private car and towards more active forms of travel as well as public transport can reduce emissions and improve physical activity.

## Fuel poverty in Lancashire is higher than the England average.

Much of the county's housing is old with poor insulation linked to high emissions and poor health outcomes. Greening Lancashire's housing stock will have multiple benefits. Access to parks, woodlands and greenspaces became increasingly important during the pandemic. Nature can play a huge role in improving health and wellbeing, as well as providing opportunities for carbon capture, flood management and reducing urban heat.

Community action is often driven by a motivation to **improve places, the local environment and quality of life.** Mobilised communities can play a leading role in both the mitigation of, and adaptation to, climate change.

## 6. Economy and Health

Put simply, there is no wealth without health. For Lancashire to thrive and be the best location for economic growth, it needs to invest in the health and wellbeing of its working age population and its future workforce. This will ultimately lead to its enduring economic prosperity.

Recent research has projected that the Lancashire economy could be increased by an estimated £8.2 billion if we improve the conditions that make up the wider definition of productivity. This includes our working age population, skills, employment, the digital economy, sickness levels, economic inactivity, commuting, transport, housing, innovation, and research. Poor health accounts for about a sixth of this gap. Improving these would see Lancashire and its workforce flourish.

The place, where we are born and live, matters. This is because everything is connected: the social and economic conditions we are born into, our communities, learning and employment opportunities – all affect health throughout life as well as across generations. Increased inequalities in health are not just a problem for the NHS, they are a problem for everyone. Lancashire's growth needs to be inclusive and fair. Reversing this trend will have a beneficial impact on productivity and economic opportunities for Lancashire.

Keeping people in work and reducing ill-health-related absences and loss of productivity is a priority. Being absent from work places significant cost on both employees and employers as well as the economy.

Mental Health Matters - In Lancashire.

there are

146,611

adults (aged 18+ years) with a **confirmed diagnosis of depression,** accounting for **15.0%** of the total 18+ registered population.
This is higher than the England prevalence of 12.3%. Work can also be a common cause of stress and mental health problems, with **15.9 million days** in the UK being lost in 2020 to work-related stress and anxiety.

If wider productivity matched the English average, about £8.2 billion

would be added to Lancashire's economy.

Poor health accounts for approximately a sixth of this amount

£1.3 billion. '





Physical Health
Matters - Disease of the
musculoskeletal system
and connective tissue
accounted for

13.6% (5,084)

of the total Employment and Support Allowance claims in Lancashire

(England = 12.6%, NW = 12.8%).

Inclusion Matters - Linked to mental wellbeing is social isolation where previous evidence in the report, Hidden from View, confirms the link to unemployment and social exclusion. **Education and Lifelong learning** - Improvements in attainment and development of training offers would help individuals, businesses, organisations and the Lancashire economy flourish.

Of the economically active population aged 16 to 64 in Lancashire.

29,2% have low or no qualifications

(England = 22.5%), whilst 33.8% have a degree or equivalent and above (England = 40.1%).

#### Recognising that where we live influences our health.

A warm and dry home can improve health outcomes, for example improved respiratory conditions. Where we live can lead to poor physical health, influence mental health and wellbeing as well as educational attainment.

The latest **fuel poverty** statistics from winter 2019 indicated that

of households (71,822) were fuel poor in Lancashire (England = 13.4%). Six Lancashire areas were in the top third of the national fuel poverty rankings.

In England, in 2019

of dwellings in the private rented sector failed to meet the Decent Homes Standard. This is higher than the proportion for owner occupied homes (16%) and the social rented sector (12%).

earnings ratio for Lancashire was 5.42 In 2020, the house price to

(North West = 5.72, England = 7.84). Within Lancashire, ratios range from 3.75 to 6.66 times earnings. Burnley (3.75) had the fourth lowest ratio in England and Wales. Pendle (4.25) and Hyndburn (4.33) also had low ratios, whilst Ribble Valley (6.66), West Lancashire (6.20) and Wyre (6.04) had the highest ratios locally.

#### **Opportunities for change**

Work is a critical determinant of good health and a flourishing economy. Unemployment is associated with an increased risk of illness and reduced life expectancy. There are inequalities in employment rates between those that have good health and those that have a health condition or disability.

In February 2021, the number of people claiming working age 'Out of Work' benefits in Lancashire totalled

112,069 people

or 15.0% of the working age population. (England = 14.3%). Burnley (23.4%), Hyndburn (21.2%), Pendle (18.1%), Preston (16.9%), Rossendale (15.9%) and Wyre (15.3%) were in the highest third of the England rankings.

In 2021, the residence-based median gross weekly earnings for Lancashire was £465.00

some £44.30 (8.7%) lower than England (£509.30). Nine of the twelve Lancashire areas had estimates that were between 7.5% and 21.7% below the England figure.

## **Impact of Covid-19**

The pandemic has had an impact on Lancashire's economy in terms of output, employers, employment, education and people receiving support.



As a result of the initial Covid-19 lockdown Claimant Count numbers almost doubled, rising from

23,000 45 600

people in March 2020 to

people in May 2020

Figures have reduced in 2021 and as at October 2021, the numbers were

12,470 (27.3%)

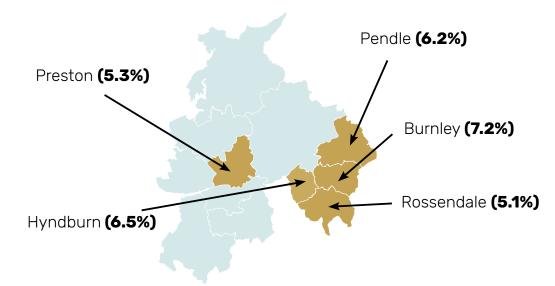
lower than the initial May 2020 peak.

As at September 2021, the number of people on **Universal Credit** in Lancashire was

106,557 or 75.9%

higher than March 2020.

## The Lancashire average hides inequalities at the district level



Burnley (7.2), Hyndburn (6.5%), Pendle (6.2%), Preston (5.3%) and Rossendale (5.1%) have high Claimant Count proportions (England = 4.9%). The majority of these are in the east of the county. Proportions in the rest of the county range from 4.0% in Wyre to 2.1% in Ribble Valley.

Between March 2020 and June 2021, employment has fallen from

559,300 to 542,800

Between June 2020 and 2021, the number of self-employed people has fallen from

94,500 to 73,700



Those people previously **furloughed** are likely to have lost income and some may have lost their job.



Some of the self-employed or those in precarious employment may have lost income or their livelihoods.

Employers may be managing economic challenges, complex business decisions and their workforce.

## Health is an essential asset for Lancashire to thrive

Good quality jobs are of critical importance for reducing health inequalities. The prospect of access to local employment through educational attainment and the opportunity to learn and develop in-work are important. So too is support for flexible working to enable a balance of work and family life.



The prospects for Lancashire are now more exciting than ever. Among the many developments in Lancashire, the establishment of the National Cyber Security Centre at Samlesbury is predicted to create thousands of high-quality jobs in the county by 2030 and bring in £5 billion of investment. The proposed Eden-style project on Morecambe seafront will also provide a huge boost to the local economy, attracting thousands of visitors and employing more than 400 people.



Putting health at the centre of policy development and working in partnership, Lancashire will invest in its communities to provide adaptable and affordable new housing, sustainable, connected town centre regeneration programmes and spatial plans that support enduring economic productivity and inclusive prosperity.

Lancashire's health sector and key anchor institutions are growing. The development of skills and capability to enable local recruitment and retention is supported by our world-class higher educational institutions, which attract innovation and developments of new technology into the heart of our economy. They inspire our youth and working age population to grow and flourish.



## 7. Healthy Ageing

Longer lives are one of society's greatest achievements but with over half of adults nationally expected to be 50 or over by 2035, we must seize the opportunity to enable more people in later life to be happy, healthy and active, and to use their skills, knowledge and experience to benefit the wider community. Currently, too many people spend a significant proportion of their later life in poor health, or managing a disability that could have been prevented, and there are huge inequalities in healthy and disability-free life expectancy across the country. These years spent in ill health are not inevitable, and many of the factors that cause people to age differently can be prevented or the impact mitigated through public health interventions.

## **Inequalities**



Public Health England recently published a national productive healthy ageing profile tool which provides data and further information on a wide range of topics relevant to our health as we age. There is a broad range of indicators, not only in terms of life expectancy related figures but also indicators related to quality of life, lifestyle, disease prevalence, CVD risk reduction and cancer screening programmes. There is also a comparison between how we compare to both the North West region and England as a whole.

### **Population Health**

Lancashire has a population of

1,227,076

of which

690,149

are 20-64 (56.2%) and

255,637

(20.8%) are aged 65 and over.

The impact of the rising prevalence of dementia, loneliness and the number of those caring for ill family members is substantial. In Lancashire the recorded prevalence of dementia (4.22%) in ages 65+ is higher than the England average (3.97%)

Estimates suggest that there are

65+ persons living with dementia in Lancashire, of which 63% are female, and this is projected to

19,567 by 2025.

Becoming an unpaid carer in your 50s increases a person's chances of leaving the labour market for good, and is associated with health problems and restricts social and leisure activities.



Many working age adults and older people care for **ill family members** and nationally the possibility of becoming an unpaid carer increases up to age 64 with people in the **50-64** age range being the most likely to have an elderly parent to care for.

In 2020 there were an estimated

38,396 (15.0%)

people in Lancashire aged 65 and over providing unpaid care to a partner, family member or other person. This is higher than the England figure of 14.1%. and by 2035 this number in Lancashire will have risen by an estimated

28% to 49,219



By 2040. Lancashire's population aged 65 and over is estimated to increase by 35% compared to England's 38% increase.

The rate of growth in population aged 65 and over varies across the region with areas like the Ribble Valley and Fylde projected to nearly double by 2040.

The number of over-50s experiencing **Ioneliness** is set to reach

26% and is on a par with health risks such as smoking and obesity.

Related to this an estimated 32.1% (82,000 people) of Lancashire's population aged 65 and over live alone and this is similar to the England value of 32.2%.

The percentage of 65 and over population living alone in Lancashire is projected to increase to just over 108,000 by 2035.

## **Impact of Covid-19**

The recently published Wider Impacts of Covid-19 on Health (WICH) monitoring tool is designed to explore the indirect effects of the Covid-19 pandemic on the population's health and wellbeing and has particularly highlighted that:

**Loneliness** has also been exacerbated during the pandemic when lockdown restrictions and shielding requirements led to a decline in not just physical activity but also an adverse impact on both social isolation and mental health and wellbeing. The percentage of people who "often or always" felt lonely during the pandemic in Lancashire was reported to be **6.1%** but for certain districts this figure was as high as **13.5%**.





Older people have been more likely to be in the **shielded** or moderate risk category for Covid-19 and

together with the risk of death from **Covid-19** increasing with age, two thirds of older people are living with multiple long term conditions.



The pandemic has added a wide range of challenges for working age adults such as **childcare**, **home schooling**, **care for vulnerable relatives and ensuring adequate food and housing**.



**Older people have greater health and social care needs**, especially during their last years of life. In addition, older people are at significantly higher risk of developing dementia. People with a dementia diagnosis have been disproportionately impacted by Covid-19

27% 82%

of people who died with Covid-19 from March to June 2020 had dementia.

reported a deterioration in their symptoms during the pandemic.

It is estimated that the impact on the provision of dementia diagnosis services has been significant which in part also helps explain the total number of patients aged over 65 with a recorded dementia diagnosis having fallen by a little under **10%** on a national basis compared to pre-Covid levels though this is now slowly rising again

## 8. High-Level Recommendations

This report makes six high-level recommendations for a call to action to work towards a thriving Lancashire.



## Health in all policies approach

Adopt a health in all policies approach to reducing health inequalities across Lancashire.



#### **Communities and place**

Work more closely with wider system partners to support and improve how we do things, working alongside the voluntary, community, faith and social enterprise (VCFSE) sector as more equal partners.

## Early years, children and young people

Harness the relationships and ways of working which have developed during the pandemic to improve the health and wellbeing of children and young people and reduce child health inequalities

#### **Environment and climate**

Align health and climate goals, working with partners and our communities to transition away from carbon and build resilient communities that are well adapted to respond to climate change.



### **Healthy Ageing**

Ensure all key interfacing strategies in Lancashire have a healthy ageing focus and to demonstrate commitment to healthy ageing by signing up as a co-signatory to the PHE Healthy Ageing Consensus statement.

#### **Economy and Health**

Address low in-work productivity, as the biggest single contributor to Lancashire's productivity gap, through work-based health programmes, supportive workplace practices and closer working relationships with key agencies such as DWP.



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