



Agenda

Finance and Democracy Committee

Date:	Monday, 23 September 2019 at 6:30 pm
Venue:	Town Hall, St Annes, FY8 1LW
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DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	23 SEPTEMBER 2019	4
BUSINESS RATES RETENTION AND POOLING ARRANGEMENTS 2020/21 AND SUPPORT FOR THE GREATER LANCASHIRE PLAN			

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY

This report summarises the operation of a 'business rate pool' under the localisation of business rates arrangements (which have been in place since April 2013) and the '75% Business Rate Retention pilot' arrangements that are in place for 2019/20. Fylde Council has participated in the Lancashire business rates pool since 2017/18.

In 2018/19 the government announced plans to introduce '75% Business Rate Retention' for all authorities with effect from 2020/21. As part of the development of these revised arrangements the government invited bids from existing Business Rate Pools to act as 'pilots' for the proposed scheme. An analysis of the impact of the 'pilot' scheme arrangements for the Lancashire Business Rates Pool indicated that a significant net beneficial impact would result across Lancashire authorities. Consequently the Lancashire pool applied for inclusion in the pilot scheme and was subsequently accepted as a participant for 2019/20.

Alongside the Local Government Finance Settlement for 2019/20, the Government had previously confirmed that it is looking to announce a multi-year financial settlement from April 2020 along with implementation of the Fair Funding Review, also with effect from April 2020. The review was designed to deliver a revised level of funding across local government from 2020/21 and was widely expected to result in shire district councils such as Fylde Council being regarded as requiring a reduced share of national resources.

However in August 2019 the government announced a single, one-year, spending review to give government departments "financial certainty" as they prepare for Brexit currently still planned for October 31st 2019. A one-year settlement for 2020/21 is scheduled to be announced in the autumn of 2019 and the next multi-year Spending Review will now be carried out in 2020 with implementation expected to be from 2021/22. Given the one year spending review, it is now highly unlikely that the fair funding review can now be introduced next year.

Consequently, although there remains a degree of uncertainty at this stage, it is increasingly likely that the business rate regime that is in place in 2019/20 will include provision for a reversion to the arrangements that were in place for 2018/19 i.e. that the Lancashire Business Rate Pool would continue in a similar form for 2020/21 as at present, but without the further benefits of the '75% pilot' arrangements. The specific possible options for the Lancashire Business Rate Pool for 2020/21 are not expected to be known with certainty until the 2020/21 Local Government Finance Settlement is announced, expected to be in early December this year.

The latest in-year monitoring and future modelling strongly suggest that continued participation in a Lancashire Business Rate Pool for 2020/21 would be financially beneficial to Fylde Council. It is therefore recommended that Fylde Council ought to continue to participate in the Lancashire Business Rates Pool for 2020/21 (on the assumption that confirmation is secured that the pool will remain in existence beyond the current year).

Furthermore, although it is currently not anticipated, if it does become possible for the Lancashire pool to continue to operate the 'pilot' arrangements for a 75% Business Rate Retention scheme in 2020/21 the

projected benefit to Fylde Council would be increased and therefore the Committee are also recommended to approve that Fylde Council ought to continue to participate in the 'pilot' arrangements for 2021 were that to be an available option for the Lancashire Business Rates Pool.

Additionally this report describes the proposed development of the 'Greater Lancashire Plan' (GLP) designed to form the basis for a new deal for Lancashire with national government to deliver economic regeneration for the county, leading to economic resilience and growth. Further details are provided within this report. It has been proposed that the cost of developing the GLP be met from the 25% of the additional business rates growth arising from the pilot arrangements that is has been agreed by the pool are to be set aside to create a Lancashire-wide fund to be used to target strategic economic growth and to improve financial sustainability on a county-wide footprint. This fund is referred to as the Strategic Economic Growth and Financial Sustainability Fund (SEGFSF). However that fund will not have any available funding until 2020/21 and it has been proposed that in the short-term the cost of developing the plan could be met proportionately by individual members of the business rate pool. Each council would be reimbursed these sums as the first call on the SEGFSF as and when such funds are generated – expected to be in 2020/21.

The Committee is requested to consider the merits of the development of the GLP and, if the Committee indicates support for the GLP, to approve a funded budget increase in the sum of £20,261 for the current year to provide for Fylde Council's share of the cost of developing the GLP, with funding coming from the Funding Volatility Reserve. This amount would be returned to the Funding Volatility Reserve as a first call upon the SEGFSF.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Finance and Democracy Committee is recommended to:

1. Approve the continuation of Fylde Council participation in the current Lancashire Business Rates Pool for 2020/21 onwards, on the assumption that the pool remains in existence, along with participation in the '75% Business Rate Retention Pilot Scheme' should that be a further option available in future years;
2. Note that once the one-year settlement for 2020/21 is announced in the autumn of 2019, subsequent updates to the Financial Forecast of the Council will be amended to reflect the latest information and expectations in respect of future levels of business rate income to the Council; and
3. Approve a fully funded revenue budget increase in the sum of £20,261 for 2019/20, to be met from the Funding Volatility Reserve, to support the development of a Greater Lancashire Plan, subject to the unanimous approval by the relevant Lancashire Leaders (in their capacity as the Governing Body of the Lancashire Business Rates Pool) to the development of the plan from the release of monies held in the Lancashire Strategic Economic Growth and Financial Sustainability Fund.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

At the meeting of 24th September 2018 this Committee considered participation by Fylde Council in a Lancashire-wide Business Rate Pool for 2019/20 and determined:

1. To approve the continuation of Fylde Council participation in the current Lancashire Business Rates Pool for 2019/20 on the assumption that the pool remains in existence;
2. To agree the participation of Fylde Council in the submission of a bid by Lancashire authorities to form part of the '75% Business Rate Retention Pilot Scheme' arrangements for 2019/20 providing that a revised pooling arrangement, acceptable to all authorities, can be established;
3. To note that the next update to the Financial Forecast of the Council will be amended to reflect the latest information and expectations in respect of future levels of business rate income to the Council; and
4. To agree that participation in the Lancashire Business Rate Pool for future years beyond 2019/20 should be kept under review and should be the subject of a report to the committee for consideration during the next financial year.

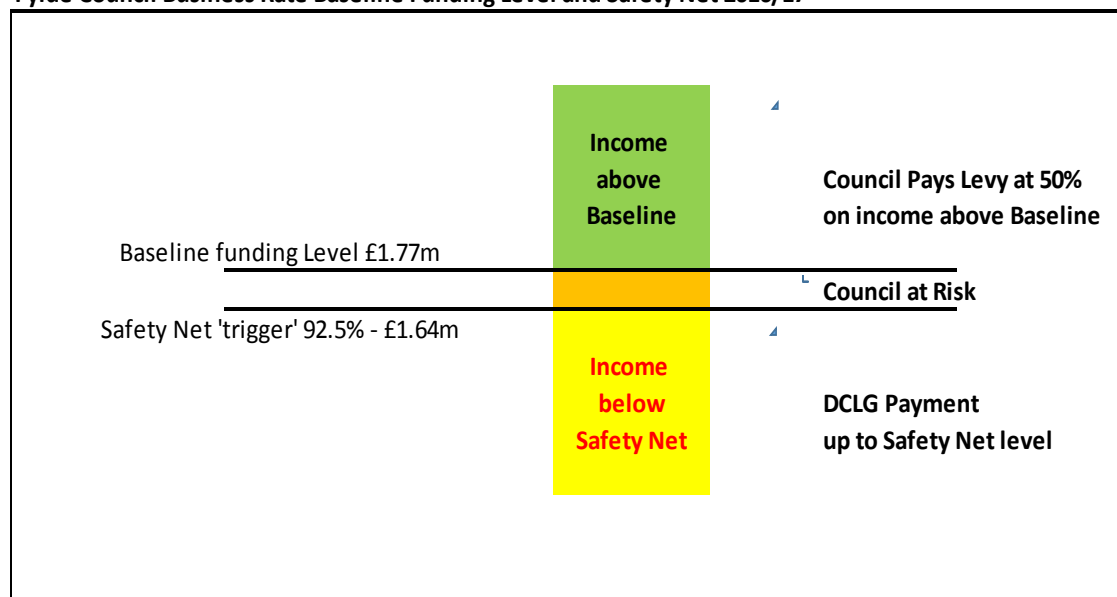
CORPORATE PRIORITIES	
Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	✓
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	✓
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	✓
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	✓
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	✓

REPORT

1. INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Business rates are a key source of funding for local authorities. From 2013/14 new arrangements replaced the former 'National Rates Pool' and under this revised regime each billing authority retains a share of the business rates for its area based on prescribed proportions. For Fylde, this was 40% retained with the remainder shared between Central Government, County Council and Fire Authority (50%, 9% and 1% respectively).
- 1.2 All district councils in two-tier areas, like Fylde, are classed as 'tariff' authorities; this means the council's individual rates baseline is greater than its baseline funding level (as calculated by central government) which results in the council paying a tariff to the Government from its share of 'retained' business rates.
- 1.3 The business rates retention system also provides for councils to benefit from a share of growth in their business rates base and exposes them to the risk of reduced income where changes are adverse (e.g. business closures, rating appeals). The system, as currently designed, includes mechanisms for both a **levy** and a **safety net** to moderate such variances. A **levy** applies where an authority's retained share of rates income exceeds its baseline funding level, whereas a **safety net** operates when the retained share of rates income falls below 92.5% of the baseline funding level. The diagram below illustrates this and shows the values for Fylde for 2016/17 (i.e. prior to the Council's participation in a business rate pooling arrangement).

Fylde Council Business Rate Baseline Funding Level and Safety Net 2016/17



- 1.4 The diagram shows that under the current system if the Council's share of retained business rate income exceeds the value of the Baseline Funding Level (which for 2016/17 was £1.77m as calculated by DCLG) the Council would pay to the Government a levy on this additional amount at a rate of 50%, whilst retaining 50% of the growth.

- 1.5 Conversely the current system provides a degree of protection in that if the Council's share of retained income drops below the Baseline Funding Level the extent of this drop is 'capped' at a level equivalent to 92.5% of the Baseline Funding Level (the 'Safety Net' level - which for 2016/17 was £1.64m). If the Council's share of retained income drops below this level the Council receives a grant to bring the income up to the safety net level.

2. BUSINESS RATE POOLING

- 2.1 A feature of the business rates arrangements is to allow councils to group together to form a 'business rates pool'. Under such an arrangements councils in a pool combine all of their funding calculations under the business rate scheme, effectively adding their numbers together for all elements of the funding calculation, including the calculation of the tariff and top-up amounts.
- 2.2 Fylde Council has participated in the Lancashire pooling arrangement since the financial year 2017/18. Combining with other local authorities within Lancashire (comprising a number of the district councils which are 'tariff' authorities and Lancashire County Council which is a 'top-up' authority) has the effect of producing a position whereby no levy to central government is payable by any of the pooling authorities. Participating Councils within the Lancashire pool retain 95% of their Business Rate growth compared to the 50% that is retained where a Council is not within a Business Rate pool.
- 2.3 **As a result of being in the Lancashire pool for 2018/19, Fylde Council was able to retain £576k of business rate growth that would otherwise have been paid over to the government by way of a levy. This is in addition to the £598k extra which was retained in 2017/18 from being in the pool.**

3. FURTHER CHANGES TO THE BUSINESS RATE RETENTION SCHEME – 75% RETENTION

- 3.1 As part of the Local Government Finance Settlement for 2018/19 the government announced plans to introduce '75% Business Rate Retention' for all authorities with effect from 2020/21. As part of the development of these revised arrangements the government invited bids from groups of authorities to act as 'pilots' for the proposed scheme, which were intended to apply for the 2019/20 financial year only.
- 3.2 Authorities selected as pilots forgo Revenue Support Grant and Rural Services Delivery Grant as appropriate, the value of these grants being taken into account when the revised tariffs and top-ups for the pilot authorities are calculated.
- 3.3 The Government determined that because the new 75% pilots are testing the pooled authorities approach to risk the 'no detriment' clause applied to previous pilots would no longer apply. Instead of this the Government increased the safety net protection level from 92.5% to 95% for these new pilot pools.
- 3.4 The Lancashire Pool originally operated on the basis that each member stands their own risk, having given up their right to safety net protection on joining the pool. The arrangements under the pilot differ in that all pool members would share the risk of losses across the pool area, such that reduced business rate income from anywhere within the pilot footprint would adversely affect the level of additional business rates retained.
- 3.5 Modelling at the time suggested that the cumulative beneficial impact of increased retained business rates under such pilot arrangements in Lancashire would be c£10.8m, a level which provided a significant buffer against potential losses. Consequently the Lancashire Business Rates Pool applied to become, and was selected as, one of the '75% Business Rate Retention Pilot' schemes for 2019/20.
- 3.6 District councils such as Fylde see their initial allocation increase from 40% under the previous arrangements to 56% under the pilot arrangements.
- 3.7 A necessary element for applications to the pilot scheme was for the pool to demonstrate that through its governance and additional growth-sharing arrangements, the pool would achieve economic development and growth benefits across the participating authorities. In order to address this requirement the Lancashire arrangements under the pilot scheme include that, at a pool level **the additional growth** in retained business rate income will first be top-sliced as follows, before the remainder is distributed to participating councils:

- Initially, 5% of **additional growth** will be set aside to provide a resilience fund that will mitigate against any losses in business rate income for participating authorities should their income fall below baseline funding levels; and
 - A further 25% of the additional growth will then be set aside to create a Lancashire-wide fund to be used to target strategic economic growth and to improve financial sustainability within the county, referred to as the Strategic Economic Growth and Financial Sustainability Fund (SEGFSF). This is to be allocated based on the unanimous decisions of the relevant Lancashire Leaders in their capacity as the Pilot Pool Governing Body.
- 3.8 It is currently estimated that the residual **additional growth retained by Fylde** as a result of the pilot scheme arrangements will be c£380k in 2019/20. The beneficial effect of this is currently reflected in the Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2019/20 only.

4. SUPPORT FOR THE GREATER LANCASHIRE PLAN

- 4.1 Within the 'Vibrant Economy' theme of the Council's approved Corporate Plan is an action to "Channel business rate funding opportunities to economic development". One such opportunity which has been presented to Lancashire Leaders is the development of a 'Greater Lancashire Plan' (GLP).
- 4.2 The GLP is designed to address the concern expressed by the Northern Powerhouse Minister at the absence of a Combined Authority for Lancashire and the risk that as a consequence Lancashire would continue to 'lose out' in terms of national and regional investment compared to those areas that have put such arrangements in place. The GLP is therefore aimed at achieving some of the key benefits that a Combined Authority might have delivered without the establishment of a formal entity across the county.
- 4.3 The objectives of the GLP are to provide:
- A basis for a new deal for Lancashire with national government;
 - A stronger and more inclusive economy;
 - A more transformative and integrated approach of the local state as a system, rather than just a disparate set of fragmented interventions to address market failure;
 - Better insight into the opportunities for improved Value For Money from public services, for shared and more integrated services, public reform and asset rationalisation;
 - A higher quality environment and a clean and green Lancashire;
 - Better informed, more inclusive and stronger democratic decision-making across Lancashire;
 - Enhanced ability to influence HM Government policy agenda.
- 4.4 The GLP aims to present:
- A bold and ambitious vision for Greater Lancashire 2050, arising from futures work and long range strategic planning, based on scenarios that draw resilience;
 - A strategic framework for Greater Lancashire Plan, capturing the Local Transport Plan refresh, the Local Industrial Strategy, and all the local plans;
 - Building on the existing work of the six Theme Groups, run by Lancashire Leaders;
 - An independent panel of national experts and leading thinkers, to oversee the work and make recommendations;
 - A set of recommendations and rationale for time-limited independent policy commissions;
 - A business case for a Greater Lancashire Strategic Intelligence Unit and secretariat, hosting, maintaining and managing a single, comprehensive evidence base that can be used by all stakeholders.
- 4.5 The current funding request for producing the GLP is estimated at around £400k, comprised of the following elements:

Initial Scope of Work	Cost
Whole Place Independent Reviews – Economic, Social and Environmental	£250k (£100k for each of the economic and public reform reviews and £50K for environment)
Futures Work	£40k
Business Case for Strategic Intelligence Unit	£10k to develop,
Intelligent Client Function	Up to £100k
Total one-off costs to be funded from Economic Growth and Financial Sustainability Fund	£400k

An outline of the project was presented to the Lancashire Leaders meeting on 5th June 2019, and the project received broad support from Lancashire Leaders. A summary of the key elements of the plan is shown at Appendix 1 to this report.

Funding the development of a ‘Greater Lancashire Plan’

- 4.6 Modelling suggests that the Lancashire ‘pilot’ pool will yield an additional £10.8m of locally retained business rates in 2019/20. This amount will be paid back to the participating local authorities on the basis of an agreed tier split but then, each pool member will pay the lead authority (Ribble Valley Borough Council) 25% as set out in section 3 above to be used to target strategic economic development activity, equating to an estimated allocation of £2.7m.
- 4.7 However the Strategic Economic Growth and Financial Sustainability Fund (SEGFSF) will only be established when all of the business rate growth for 2019/20 is known – initially around June 2020. Therefore, any funding demands before that point in time would have to be financed from alternative sources.
- 4.8 The Executive Body of the Lancashire Pool considered the following two options to underwrite the early release of funds.
 - Option 1 - One authority underwrites the full £400k or
 - Option 2 – Each council to underwrite the cost pro rata to the expected contribution of each to the Strategic Economic Growth and Financial Sustainability Fund for 2019/20 as set out below:

	Estimated Contribution to SEGFS Fund £	All to underwrite pro rata to expected contribution to SEGFS Fund £
Blackburn with Darwen	445,648	65,669
Blackpool	0	0
Burnley	236,219	34,808
Chorley	177,840	26,206
Fylde	137,497	20,261
Hyndburn	26,500	3,905
Lancashire	773,067	113,916
Lancashire Fire Authority	53,363	7,863
<i>Lancaster</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Pendle	69,242	10,203
Preston	38,913	5,734
Ribble Valley	147,776	21,776
Rossendale	94,801	13,969
South Ribble	244,386	36,012
West Lancashire	120,961	17,824
Wyre	148,302	21,853
	2,714,515	400,000

- 4.9 This would effectively be a payment from each authority in advance of business rate growth. If any authority failed to reach the level paid in then this would be adjusted at year end.
- 4.10 Given the absence of any single authority being prepared to underwrite the full £400k funding for the development of the GLP it is most likely that the second option is the most appropriate to consider. Consequently each participating council in the Lancashire Business Rate Pool has undertaken to seek support (and funding) for the development of the GLP – in line with the sums shown in the table above.
- 4.11 The forward release of monies from the Lancashire Strategic Economic Growth and Financial Sustainability Fund to support the development of a Greater Lancashire Plan requires the unanimous approval by the Governing Body of the Lancashire Business Rates Pool. Therefore any commitment provided at this stage by Fylde Council in respect of funding for this proposal is conditional upon that unanimous approval being secured.
- 4.12 If this Committee approves support and funding for the development of a GLP the most appropriate source of such funding would be the existing Funding Volatility Reserve, the current balance of £5.221m having being achieved by transfers of favourable business rates outturn variances in previous years. This would require a funded budget increase in the sum of £20,261 for the current year, with funding coming from the Funding Volatility Reserve. It is proposed that this sum would be returned to the Funding Volatility Reserve in 2020/21 when the projected business rate growth for 2019/20 has been realised, with re-imbursement to each authority for the cost of support for the development of the Greater Lancashire Plan being the first call upon the SEGFSF.

5. CURRENT POSITION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 The latest in-year monitoring and future modelling strongly suggest that participation in the general Lancashire pooling arrangements for 2020/21 would be financially beneficial to Fylde Council and that, if it were an available option, a continuation of the '75% pilot' arrangement would deliver additional benefits. The specific possible options for the Lancashire Business Rate Pool for 2020/21 are not expected to be known with certainty until the 2020/21 Local Government Finance Settlement is announced, expected to be in early December this year
- 5.2 Consequently it is recommended that Fylde Council agrees continued participation in the Lancashire Business Rates Pool for 2020/21 (on the assumption that the pool remains in existence beyond the current year).
- 5.3 Additionally, although it is currently not anticipated, if it does become possible for the Lancashire pool to continue to operate the 'pilot' arrangements for a 75% Business Rate Retention scheme in 2020/21 the projected benefit to Fylde Council would be increased. Therefore the Committee are also recommended to approve continued participation in the 'pilot' arrangements for 2021 if that is an available option.
- 5.4 The Committee is also recommended to approve a funded budget increase in the sum of £20,261 for 2019/20, to be met from the Funding Volatility Reserve, to support the development of a Greater Lancashire Plan, subject to the unanimous approval by the Executive Body of the Lancashire Business Rates Pilot Pool to the forward release of monies from the Lancashire Strategic Economic Growth and Financial Sustainability Fund for this purpose.
- 5.5 The next update of the Financial Forecast of the Council will be amended to reflect the latest information and expectations in respect of future levels of business rate income to the Council.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	<p>It is proposed that the Council should continue membership of the Lancashire Business Rates Pool for 2020/21 (assuming that the pool remains in existence); and furthermore that the Lancashire Business Rates Pool should continue participation in the '75% Business Rate Retention Pilot Scheme' arrangements for 2020/21, if that becomes an available option.</p> <p>The Committee is also requested to approve a funded budget increase in the sum of £20,261 for the current year, with funding coming from the Funding Volatility Reserve, to provide for Fylde Council's share of the cost of developing the plan, subject to the unanimous approval by the Executive Body of the Lancashire Business Rates Pool.</p> <p>The next update to the Financial Forecast of the Council will be amended to reflect the latest information and expectations in respect of future levels of business rate income to the Council.</p>
Legal	<p>The legal framework for the formation of a business rates pool is set out in paragraph 34 of Schedule 7B of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (as inserted by schedule 1 to the Local Government Finance Act 2012). Each pool has to decide (and get approval from Government) on its governance arrangements. These cover, at the least:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- the rights and obligations of pool members, including:- how money is to be disbursed to/between pool members and how payments to central government are to be funded by the lead authority- the treatment of pool balances and liabilities following the

	dissolution of the pool.
Community Safety	None
Human Rights and Equalities	None
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	None
Health & Safety and Risk Management	None

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
n/a	n/a	n/a

The Case for a Greater Lancashire Plan

The GLP is a response to the current crisis narrative:

- Lancashire falling behind
- Places in long term decline
- Outside of the 'fast track', dominated by Combined Authorities
- No single voice
- Not seen as a credible subnational opportunity, with a serious proposition for the future.

The GLP:

- Takes advantage of the Brexit policy impasse
- Prepares the ground to get Lancashire into the 'fast track'
- Seeks to create a single coherent narrative and foundation for continuous engagement with Government and communities
- Provides a strategic and integrated approach, driven by independent analysis and challenge.

Suggested scope of work

Preparatory phase

- Getting the scope right

Phase one

- Getting the commission right

Phase two – undertaking a whole place independent review

- An independent comprehensive review provides scope for rich foundations including a single evidence base, baseline and narrative – scoped around three themes economic, social and environmental, going a step beyond CAs and a first for a County area;
- It will capture existing work of Lancashire Leaders Theme Groups, existing strategy development such as LIS and LTP 4;
- It will review all existing plans and strategies, including the work done on a previous Lancashire Plan;
- In parallel it will use futures work to inform the vision and ambition: Lancashire 2050.
- First Draft GLP produced based on progress.

Phase three – undertaking deep dives into the identified core barriers

- The Review will provide analysis to inform the key barriers to progress in Lancashire and provide scope to prioritise deep dives through time-limited independent policy commissions, to unlock those issues. This Phase will not slow down production of the GLP but create necessary work to sit alongside its future development.

Phase four – finalising and launching the GLP

- Will produce Final Greater Lancashire Plan – a single overarching ‘state of Lancashire’ report and a strategic delivery framework and vision for Lancashire, backed up by robust evidence and a rich narrative, based on independent challenge and support from local and world leading experts.

DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	23 SEPTEMBER 2019	5
COMMUNITY ASSET NOMINATION: THE MILLER ARMS, SINGLETON			

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY

The council has received a nomination for the inclusion of the Miller Arms in Singleton in its list of assets of community value. Under the Localism Act 2011, the committee must decide whether the property fulfils the criteria for inclusion and, if it does, include it in the list.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Agree that the Miller Arms, Singleton is land of community value, in that in the opinion of the authority the actual use of the building furthers the social wellbeing and social interests of the local community and it is realistic to think that there can continue to be a use of the land which will further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community; and
2. Accept the nomination to include the Miller Arms in the council's list of assets of community value.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

None

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	√
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	

REPORT

CRITERIA FOR LISTING

1. The Localism Act 2011 introduced a concept of an 'Asset of Community Value'. Section 87 of the Localism Act places a duty on Local Authorities to '*maintain a list of land in its area that is land of community value*'. 'Land' includes buildings and structures.

2. Land is of community value if (in the opinion of the local authority) an actual or current use¹ of it furthers the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community and it is realistic to think that there can continue to be a use of the land which will further (whether or not in the same way) the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community.
3. Land is also of community value if (again in the opinion of the local authority) there has been a time in the recent past when an actual use¹ of it furthered the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community and it is realistic to think that there is a time in the next five years when there could be a use of the land that would further (whether or not in the same way) the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community.
4. 'Social interests' includes cultural interests, recreational interests and sporting interests.
5. Although it is for the local authority to determine whether land falls within the criteria to be included in the list, assets may only be included in the list in response to a nomination by a parish council or a voluntary or community body with a local connection. In addition to the List of Assets of Community Value the council must also maintain a list of land which has been the subject of unsuccessful nominations.

EFFECT OF LISTING

6. If the land is included in the list, the land would become subject to notification requirements and moratorium periods that would apply if an owner of the land wished to dispose of it.
7. An owner cannot dispose of property/land that is on the list, unless they have informed the local authority. Informing the local authority triggers the interim moratorium period. The interim moratorium period lasts for 6 weeks, during which time a community interest group can request the local authority that they be treated as a potential bidder. If the local authority receives such a request, the full moratorium period, which lasts for six months from the time the owner notified the authority of its intention to dispose, takes effect. The owner may not, subject to certain exceptions, dispose of the property during an applicable moratorium period.
8. Where a pub is nominated or listed as an asset of community value, permitted development rights which would allow its change of use or demolition no longer apply, so that a planning application would be required for the change of use or demolition of a pub. This provides an opportunity for local people to comment, and enables the local planning authority to determine the application in accordance with its local plan, any neighbourhood plan, national policy and any other material considerations. The local planning authority may take the listing into account as a material consideration when determining any planning application.

THE APPLICATION

9. The application covers the Miller Arms public house at the Village, Singleton, including the pub building and its car park and outdoor area.
10. The nomination to list the Miller Arms was made by the parish council for the area in which it is situated. The property does not fall within one of the exceptional categories of land that are not capable of being land of community value (residence, caravan site, operational land). The committee must therefore consider whether, in their opinion, the land falls within either of the categories of land of community value set out in paragraphs 2 or 3 above.
11. In support of the nomination, the parish council states:

The Miller Arms (originally the Hornby Arms) has been a pub in Singleton Village for almost two hundred years. It is the only pub in the village and as such has served as the focal point of village life for many generations.

Not only that, the Miller Arms is one of many great pubs in rural Fylde which are destination venues and promote tourism in our Borough. There is free parking available which is accessed by the wider community.

The only other venue in the village is the Village Hall which although an excellent facility, is not open for regular local functions – more wedding, christening and birthday party hire.

¹ Ancillary uses do not count.

In this Parish Council's opinion, pubs are places where people go to socialise, which furthers social interests and social wellbeing. As such, if the pub were to be lost, it would make a significant impact on the social infrastructure of the community.

There are many local events held in the pub from local celebrations to wakes and from Halloween parties to Christmas parties. Also many local groups meet in the pub from the Singleton Cloggers to local Choirs.

There is a beer garden attached to the pub which is used and enjoyed by local people including families. This is particularly enjoyed in the summer months and brings different groups of people together. There is also a children's play area which brings local children together. This is especially popular after school when many of the local school parents meet with their children.

The pub has a great food menu enjoyed by the local community. Many of the items on the menu are sourced from local farms.

There is good access for disabled people at the pub. This provides an easily accessible and inclusive space to meet with other members of the local community and provides a safe and enjoyable environment to be in furthering the persons' individual wellbeing.

The pub has special value to local heritage and culture which should be protected. The pub's heritage forms an important part of the community's historic and cultural identity.

[The local] Borough Councillor...often [meets] groups of constituents in the pub and after our Parish Council meetings, we regularly meet residents in there.

CONSIDERATION

12. As it is clear that it is within the authority's area, the only question for the committee is whether the land nominated is of community value, as defined in the Localism Act and reproduced in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this report. If the land is considered to be of community value, listing is mandatory.
13. As the proposed listing relates to a present use, the **first part of the test** for listing is that an actual or current use of the land furthers the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community.
14. A traditional pub will usually further the social interests or social wellbeing of its local community. A pub will often provide the focus for its community and act as an informal meeting place, as well as a base for sports and pastimes. Over 860 pubs have been listed as assets of community value across the country since the listing provisions came into force. Pubs form the largest single category of listed community assets. There is Government encouragement for communities to apply to register local pubs as assets of community value².
15. The Miller Arms is described by its owners as a "charming country pub offer[ing] a relaxing atmosphere and a varied menu of home-cooked food" and cask ales³. It is also referred to as a "gastro pub" and a "restaurant and watering hole".
16. It is clear that the Miller Arms has a prominent food offer which is intended to attract diners from a much wider area than Singleton village. A restaurant would be much less likely to fulfil the requirements of furthering the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community than a traditional pub. Members will therefore want to consider the extent to which the building as it is now operated can properly be characterised as a traditional pub, or whether it is now a restaurant. If members are satisfied that the building operates to a material extent as a traditional pub, and given that there is no other traditional pub in Singleton village, the first part of the test would appear to be met.
17. The **second part of the test** is that it is realistic to think that there can continue to be a use of the land which will further (whether or not in the same way) the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community. The committee therefore needs to consider whether it is realistic to think that the Miller Arms could continue to fulfil the community role of a traditional pub. Though the premises have recently re-opened after a short period of closure, there is no reason to believe that, under appropriate management, they could not continue to fulfil that role.

² www.gov.uk/government/news/cheers-all-round-for-community-pubs-day--2

³ www.millerarmssingleton.co.uk/take-a-look-inside

18. If both parts of the statutory test are fulfilled, the committee must resolve to list the land as an asset of community value.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	<p>The listing of land can give rise to a claim for compensation from the owner of the land if he has incurred loss or expense in relation to the land which would be likely not to have been incurred if the land had not been listed. However, the possibility of a compensation liability is not a ground which the council can take into account in deciding whether to include land on its list.</p> <p>The Council is liable for any compensation payment that may be required to be paid to owners of properties in the circumstances described above up to a limit of £20k in any financial year, with any compensation above this level being met by central government.</p> <p>In 2012/13 the Council created a Community Right to Bid/Challenge Reserve as a voluntary set-aside of funds to finance future expenditure linked to the Community Right to Bid and Community Right to Challenge regime. This was funded by government grants received for this purpose between 2012/13 and 2014/15. The balance of the reserve currently stands at £46k.</p>
Legal	The owner of land can require a review of the decision to list his land. A review must be carried out by an officer of the authority of appropriate seniority who did not take any part in making the decision to be reviewed. The result of the review can be appealed through the tribunal system
Community Safety	None
Human Rights and Equalities	The Government considers that the system for listing assets of community value is compatible with the European Convention on Human Rights
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	None
Health & Safety and Risk Management	See the comments under 'Finance'

LEAD AUTHOR	CONTACT DETAILS	DATE
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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Letter from Singleton Parish Council	27 August 2019	Town Hall, Lytham St Annes

DECISION ITEM

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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	23 SEPTEMBER 2019	6
BEACH TERRACE CAFÉ, INNER PROMENADE			

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY

Heads of Terms have been agreed with the existing tenant to accept a surrender of their current Lease (with 14 years remaining) and the grant of a new 15 year lease to Beach Terrace Café Limited. Approval of the new terms is requested to enable Legal Services to prepare and complete a new Lease on similar terms to the existing except for rent and duration.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is recommended:

1. To accept a surrender of the existing Lease, Supplemental Lease and Deed of Variation and Option.
2. To approve the grant of a new 15 year Lease from 1st June 2019.
3. To approve a rent of £12,000 p. a. for the first 3 years of the new Lease, thereby reviewed/increased in accordance with the Consumer Prices Index for years 4 to 6; and
4. To approve a rent of £20,000 p.a. for years 7 to 9 and thereafter 3 yearly reviews to increase in accordance with the uplift in the Consumer Prices Index.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

This matter has not been considered previously, although the Operational Management Committee approved the grant of a 9 year lease of 33 adjacent car parking spaces to the Beach Terrace Café at its meeting on 17th January 2017.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	✓
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	✓
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	✓
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	✓
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	✓

REPORT

BACKGROUND HISTORY OF BEACH TERRACE CAFE

1. Beach Terrace Café currently have a Ground Lease, Supplemental Lease, and Deed of Variation and Option which enables them to occupy the land until May 2033 (see plan at appendix 1).
2. The original Lease for Beach Terrace Café was granted for a term of 21 years in 1985. In 1999 a Supplemental Lease was granted, extending the term for another 21 years to 2027 and included additional land to be used for outdoor seating and a children's play area. In 2003 an Option was granted, allowing the tenant to seek a further 6 year term thereby extending the Lease to 2033. In 2004 all the Leases were transferred to the current occupier.
3. The Supplemental Lease restricted the use of additional land to outdoor seating and children's play area, although this area has subsequently been used to extend the café building and therefore constitutes a breach of the user covenant. This breach came to light during recent rent review negotiations.
4. Specific advice was sought from Legal Services regarding how to best address the breach of Use and as to whether the tenant could claim that the breach had been waived.
5. Appendix 1 shows the original café demise edged in red, and the current footprint of the café coloured orange. The blue and green hatching show the extent of the Supplemental Lease, which has also been breached as shown by the blue colouring.
6. In order to resolve the breach of user (which partly occurred before the current occupier took over the café) it has been agreed that the simplest way would be to surrender the current Leases and grant a new 15 year Lease on very similar terms. This additional income will be reflected in future updates to the Financial Forecast.
7. The previous rent review in 2015 increased the rent to £6,950 p.a. and the latest review in 2018 has increased the rent to £9,000 p.a. In order to reflect the resolution of the breach of user, the rent for the new Lease will increase to £12,000 p.a. and a further substantial increase will occur in 2025 lifting the rent to £20,000 p.a. It is recommended that this is a good outcome for the Council and represents best value for the Council's land asset.
8. New heads of terms are attached at appendix 2 which have been provisionally agreed with the café tenant.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	If the new rental proposals for the Beach Terrace Café are agreed the Council will see significant increases in rental income from the current level £9,000 p.a. to £12,000 p.a. for the initial rental term rising to £20,000 p.a. from years 7 onwards (adjusted in line with the Consumer Price index measure of inflation). This additional income will be reflected in future updates to the Financial Forecast.
Legal	The tenant will contribute £2,000 towards the Council's legal costs.
Community Safety	None
Human Rights and Equalities	None
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	None
Health & Safety and Risk Management	The tenant will no longer be in breach of the user covenant.

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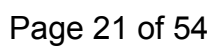
BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
None		

Attached documents

Appendix 1 Land at Beach Terrace Café, South Promenade, Lytham St Annes – lease plan

Appendix 2 Beach Terrace Café Heads of Terms agreed by tenant

BEACH TERRACE CAFE
South Promenade, Lytham St. Annes



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**LAND AT BEACH TERRACE CAFÉ, SOUTH PROMENADE, LYTHAM ST ANNES
FY8 1NW**

Lessor	Fylde Borough Council, Town Hall, Lytham St Annes, Lancashire FY8 1LW
Lessee	Beach Terrace Café Limited, South Promenade, Lytham St Annes FY9 1NW
Demise	Land at Beach Terrace Café, South Promenade, Lytham St Annes as shown edged red on the attached Lease plan.
Term	15 years.
Rent Reviews	3 yearly from commencement date to reflect the increase in the Consumer Prices Index from the month preceding the commencement of the Lease to the month preceding each rent review date. For the avoidance of doubt, rent in year 4 to be £12,000 p.a. plus CPI for first 3 years and rent in year 7 to be £20,000 p.a. Rent in year 10 to be £20,000 p.a. plus CPI for previous 3 years.
Commencement	1 st June 2019
Rent	£12,000 p.a.
Permitted Use	Café for the retail sale of ices, mineral waters, sweets, cigarettes, hot meals including alcoholic drinks with meals, refreshments, fancy goods and beach goods.
Alienation	Assignment, subletting, licence or sharing occupation of the premises to be permitted with the Lessor's consent, subject to modernisation of the Existing Lease terms to include an Authorised Guarantee Agreement on assignment or exclusion of the Landlord & Tenant Act 1954 s24-28 on any sub-letting.
Alterations	Structural alterations permitted with Lessor's consent and formal Licence, and subject to obtaining all necessary statutory approvals. Non-structural alterations permitted without consent.
Repair & Decorating Obligations	Lessee to keep the premises in good and tenable repair and condition and to redecorate the exterior in every fifth year of the term.
Utilities	Lessee to be responsible for all outgoings at the premises.
Insurance	Lessee to be responsible for insuring the premises in the joint names of the Lessor and Lessee for its full reinstatement value.
Business Rates	Lessee to be responsible for all business rates levied on the premises.
Public Liability	Lessee to take out public liability insurance for a minimum £5 million and provide evidence of cover to the Council on each anniversary.
Legal Costs	Lessee to be responsible for the Council's legal costs in connection with the surrender of the Existing & Supplemental Leases and Deed of Variation and granting of a new Lease, together with its own professional costs. For the avoidance of doubt, the Council's fee for a Lease Surrender is £750 and for the re-gear of the Lease is £1,250 exclusive of VAT.
Compliance with Legislation	Lessee to comply with all current and future legislation as it applies to the premises at its own cost.
Landlord & Tenant Act 1954	Security of tenure under s24-28 to be included.

Appendix 2

Heads of Terms for Lease

Other matters	<p>To be on substantially the same terms as the Existing and Supplemental Leases subject to modernisation, save to the extent that the terms in the Existing & Supplemental Leases are inconsistent with the above and save for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Clause 3(12) of the Existing Lease – not to be incorporated into the new Lease and replaced with the Alterations covenant outlined above.b) Clause 3(13) of the Existing Lease - to include clarification that the Lessee can renew any existing advertisement/sign board (size for size) where they have become worn or require updating without the Lessor's consent.c) Clause 3(15) of the Existing Lease – to include a provision that any request for consent to play any music, musical instrument, loudspeaker, gramophone, juke box or other similar instrument or apparatus is not be unreasonably withheld or delayed by the Lessor subject to appropriate licences/consents having been obtained in advance.
Tenants Solicitor	JMW Solicitors LLP, 1 Byrom Place, Spinningfields, Manchester M3 3HG

Signed:

Lessor: (Signature)

..... (Print Name)

Lessee: (Signature)

..... (Print Name)

DECISION ITEM

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RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	23 SEPTEMBER 2019	7
TOWN HALL WEDDING VENUE UPDATE			

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY

An example of the council adopting a more commercial approach to achieve a self-sufficiency, in response to staff suggestions put forward to use the civic accommodation at the Town Hall as a wedding venue. This report provides an update of the wedding ceremonies held over a twelve month trial period, outlining the reputational benefits realised and new income monies generated.

RECOMMENDATION

1. To note the success of the trial period for the Town Hall being used as a wedding venue
2. To approve its continued use going forward, at a cost set within the fees and charges schedule annually, with seven day a week use, subject to operational use taking priority on weekdays.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Finance and Democracy Committee – 25 September 2017 agreed that;

1. The Town Hall be approved as a location to host licensed weddings within the Borough and that officers make an application to Lancashire County Council for a licence in 2018 once the Council Chamber refurbishment has been completed;
2. Subject to the approval of a licence the Town Hall is used as a wedding ceremony venue on Fridays (subject to operational requirements) and Saturdays for a trial period of twelve months with set-up costs to be met from existing budgets and a charge of £350 for a Friday ceremony and £650 for a Saturday ceremony.

Finance and Democracy Committee – 18/3/2019 – Information Item – Weddings at Fylde Progress Report

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	✓
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	✓
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	✓
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	✓
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	✓

REPORT

1. Every local authority is being encouraged to become self-sufficient with central government grants diminishing. The Local Government Association (LGA) Peer Challenge Report in June 2016 stated that income generation needed to be developed at Fylde to contribute to the revenue stream.
2. A number of employee suggestions were made to generate income including the use of the Town Hall as a wedding venue. Offering the Town Hall as a wedding venue with the photo opportunities along the Promenade Gardens in close proximity was an opportunity for which there was an anticipated market. The refurbishment of the Town Hall has made the arrangements viable.
3. Members of the Self-Sufficient Officer Working Group visited Wyre Council, who offer wedding ceremonies in the Council Chamber and Members Lounge. Officers at Wyre explained the procedures and protocols in place and a wedding was observed. Officers were able to gather important tips and suggestions about seating, audio equipment and greeting guests based on lessons learnt at Wyre.
4. A report was taken to Finance and Democracy Committee on the 25th September 2017, and the decision is noted above. As a result, a successful application was made to Lancashire County Council for a wedding site premises license.
5. The Town Hall was marketed from summer 2018 onwards as a wedding venue to allow time for setup arrangements and refurbishments. The setup cost has been minimal and met from within existing budgets. Promoting the facility through Facebook and word of mouth was used to increase publicity. A number of open days have also taken place to promote the service.
6. It was originally agreed wedding ceremonies would be offered on a trial basis with subject to operational requirements together and for the scheme to be reviewed after 12 months.
7. At the time of writing this report, a year has elapsed since the first wedding ceremony took place.
8. During the past 12 months we have had a number of ceremonies which have all been conducted without incident also therefore enhancing the Council's reputation in delivering high quality services. There have been 11 ceremonies to date with another five planned. The total income generated from these weddings will amount to £4890. Week-days have proven to be a popular choice.
9. The size of the weddings range from small and intimate, to much larger occasions. One wedding service was live-streamed in order that the service could be viewed by relatives abroad.
10. The success of the service has been greater than originally anticipated. From speaking to Wyre Council initially as part of the consultation, we anticipated up to 1-3 wedding ceremonies in year one. Feedback received from Wyre Council was that spreading the word of the new wedding venue would take 3-4 years.
11. A special thanks should go to Maria Marcella and her team in Customer Services for managing the wedding service. Thanks should also be recorded to Alex Scrivens, the Corporate Services Manager who led on the work of the Self-Sufficient Officer Group and assisted with much of the early planning for the service launch. Feedback has been made about the service by a number of individuals and some of the positive comments are shown below:

"A wonderful venue for a wedding; the room looked beautiful. Maria and her team have great attention to detail and helped make our day extra special. Thank you. "

"Our marriage at the Town Hall was made so special by the kindness and thoughtfulness of all the staff who were more like friends. The setting was fabulous, every stop was pulled out to make our day one we will remember always.

Thank you Rachael, Shannon, Bill, you are beautiful people. We were so taken back by the wonderful room and service."

"St Anne's Town Hall was a wonderful venue for our wedding. The room was decorated beautifully with great detail. We will never forget this day."

“What a wonderful place and what fantastic people! Maria and Shannon could not have been better hosts and witnesses; the room and the arrangements were faultless and helped to make our day very special. Thank you so much!”

“A truly beautiful setting for our special day with our nearest and dearest friends and family.”

12. This has been a successful project and it is believed that the popularity of the Town Hall as a wedding venue will continue to grow in future years. As a result members are invited to approve the continued use of the Town Hall for wedding ceremonies going forward, at a cost set within the fees and charges schedule annually, with seven day a week use, subject to operational use taking priority on weekdays.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	Additional income to the Council will be reflected in future updates to the Financial Forecast.
Legal	None arising from report
Community Safety	None arising from report
Human Rights and Equalities	None arising from report
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	None arising from report
Health & Safety and Risk Management	None arising from report

LEAD AUTHOR	CONTACT DETAILS	DATE
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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Main Council Wedding Website		http://weddings.fylde.gov.uk
Social Media Wedding Website		https://www.facebook.com/WeddingsatFylde

DECISION ITEM

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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	23 SEPTEMBER 2019	8
FULLY FUNDED ADDITION TO CAPITAL PROGRAMME – CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE FOR ELECTRIC TAXIS			

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY

As part of a successful joint bid to the Department of Transport, led by Lancaster City Council, Fylde Council is due to receive £105,000 for the installation of 4 'Rapid' electric vehicle charging points to be used by taxis. It is proposed that these charging points will be spread around the Borough, located near to areas that are frequented by taxis or are on frequent routes between common destinations as advised by the taxi trade.

It is hoped that the provision of a charging network will encourage taxi companies and drivers to invest in electric vehicles which in turn will encourage the wider public to consider electric vehicles as a viable alternative to standard powered vehicles. As there will be negligible electric taxis in use in Fylde when the charging points are first installed the charging points will be opened to the public to use initially until such a time that sufficient electric taxis are operational in the local area, at which point the charging points will be restricted to be used by taxis only.

This matter was considered by the Operational Management Committee at the meeting held on 10th September 2019, which approved a request to the Finance and Democracy Committee for a fully-funded addition to the Capital Programme in 2019/20 in this regard.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is recommended:

1. To approve a fully-funded addition to the Capital Programme for 2019/20 in the sum of £105,000 for the provision of taxi charging points, to be met by a grant from central government for this purpose in the same amount;
2. Subject to (1) above, to approve the expenditure of £105,000 for the provision of taxi charging points to an appointed contractor subject to appropriate procurement exercise being completed by Lancaster City Council in conjunction with associated district authorities.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Public Protection Committee, 17 July 2019

Operational Management Committee, 10 September 2019

CORPORATE PRIORITIES	
Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	✓
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	✓
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	✓
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	✓
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	✓

REPORT

1. In 2018 a grant bid opportunity via the Department for Transport's Office for Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV) Round 2 Ultra Low Emission Vehicle (ULEV) Taxi Infrastructure Competition became available to seek funding for electric charging points for hackney carriages and private hire vehicles. Led by Lancaster City Council, six Lancashire authorities, including Fylde Council, South Ribble Council, Wyre Council, Rossendale Council and Burnley Council, came together to make a bid for a grant to provide charging infrastructure for electric taxis. This process included various officer-led discussions, surveys and presentations involving the taxi trade. The bid was successful and the six authorities were awarded £630,000 for the provision of 24 rapid charging points (the type most suitable for taxis, taking between 30 to 45 minutes to charge) across the 6 local authority areas. The formal grant offer was received on 9 April 2019.
2. To ensure that taxis are able to operate cross-boundary and use the charging infrastructure in other districts, a joint procurement exercise is currently being undertaken between all the districts involved in the original funding bid and led by Lancaster City Council. The procurement exercise will involve using an OJEU compliant NHS framework agreement for electric vehicle charging and a tender exercise with those companies on the framework is being undertaken. Part of the tender criteria includes a requirement that the selected contractor will contribute financially an additional 25% to meet external funding requirements taking the overall financial value of works in the Fylde Borough to £131,250. The selected contractor will undertake all relevant studies and work to install the charging infrastructure and then operate and maintain the charging points for a minimum of 10 years to a standard as set by the District Councils. The contractor will charge users an agreed amount to cover the cost of electric and on-going maintenance of the charging points. As there are currently no taxis registered with Fylde Council that are electric powered, when the 4 charging points are installed they will be open to the general public until such a time that the number of electric taxis reaches a pre-agreed amount at which time the charging points will be restricted for taxis only. There will be no on-going liability on Fylde Council or any other landowner where the charging points are located.
3. Members of the Finance and Democracy Committee are requested to approve a fully-funded addition to the Capital Programme for 2019/20 in the sum of £105,000 for the provision of taxi charging points, to be funded by a grant from central government for this purpose in the same amount.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	The Committee are recommended to approve a fully-funded addition to the Capital Programme for 2019/20 in the sum of £105,000 for the provision of taxi charging points, to be funded by a grant from central government for this purpose in the same amount.
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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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Operational Management	10/9/19	Report and Minutes

DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	23 SEPTEMBER 2019	9
FULLY FUNDED ADDITION TO CAPITAL PROGRAMME – WEETON VILLAGE HALL			

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY

The Committee are requested to agree to allocate section 106 contributions of £6,875 to Weeton Parish Council for public open space improvements at the Village Hall, Weeton.

This matter was considered by the Tourism and Leisure Committee at the meeting held on 5th September 2019, which approved a request to the Finance and Democracy Committee for a fully-funded addition to the Capital Programme in 2019/20 in this regard.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is recommended:

1. To approve a fully-funded addition to the Capital Programme in 2019/20 in the sum of £6,875, to be met from section 106 monies received from the Meadow View development, Weeton. The monies would be paid to Weeton Parish Council to carry out play area improvements at the Village Hall, Weeton on condition that the Parish Council first enter into an agreement with Fylde Council (i.e. prior to release of funds) and agree to provide details of how the funds have been used before the section 106 agreement expiry date of 1st June 2020.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Tourism and Leisure Committee, 5 September 2019

It was RESOLVED:

1. To recommend to the Finance and Democracy Committee approval of a fully funded addition to the Capital Programme in 2019/20 in the sum of £6,875 fully funded from the section 106 developer contributions relating to the Meadow View development, Weeton for the same amount;
2. Subject to the approval of 1 above, to agree to allocate the sum of £6,875 to Weeton Parish Council to carry out play area improvements at the Village Hall, Weeton as detailed in this report on condition that the Parish Council be required to enter into an agreement with Fylde Council, prior to release of funds, and to provide details of how the funds have been used before the section 106 agreement expiry date of 1 June 2020.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES	
Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	✓
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	✓
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	✓
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	✓
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	✓

REPORT

1. Fylde Council, as the Planning Authority, has received and is holding funds that have been secured through developer contributions associated with a new housing development at Meadow View (formerly land at the Old Post Office), Weeton.
2. The terms of the Planning Agreement 09/0661 for the Meadow View development in relation to the public open space contribution states that 'sums payable under this part of the schedule are intended to be used by the Council to provide or to facilitate the improvement of public open space or the public realm likely to benefit the occupiers of the dwellings'.
3. Weeton Parish Council have requested that the total section 106 contribution of £6,875 relating to the Meadow View development is released and allocated to open space improvement works at the Village Hall, Weeton, which will meet the requirements of the Planning Agreement.
4. The Tourism and Leisure Committee considered and recommended allocating the total section 106 contribution of £6,875 from the Meadow View development to deliver the works.
5. The project must be completed and paid in full before the section 106 agreement expiry date of 1 June 2020.
6. All project costs above the section 106 contribution of £6,875 will be met by Weeton Parish Council.
7. The Parish Council has expressed a wish to procure and manage the works independently and will therefore be required to enter into an agreement with Fylde Council, prior to the release of funds to ensure accountability on how the funds will be spent and to include an indemnity against Fylde Council being required to pay back the money to the developer should the terms of the section 106 agreement not be met by the project.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	The Committee are recommended to approve the addition of the scheme relating to Weeton Village Hall to the Capital Programme for 2019/20 in the sum of £6,875, fully-funded from S106 developer contributions held by Fylde Council for this purpose.
Legal	Section 106 contributions are made by developers under specific planning agreements relating to each new development. The planning agreement will specify how the monies are to be spent in terms of geography and scope and a developer can usually require repayment of S106 contributions, if they have not been spent within 10 years of the Agreement. With reference to the Weeton Village Hall project, it will be necessary to develop a legal agreement with Weeton Parish Council to include how the S106 contributions are to be used, to indemnify Fylde Council against having to pay back the monies to the developer, should the terms of the S106 agreement not be met.
Community Safety	Improving the quality of open space facilities provides an

	opportunity to increase public use and reduce nuisance behaviour.
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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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Tourism & Leisure	5/9/19	Report and Minutes

INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	23 SEPTEMBER 2019	10
ELECTORAL REVIEW			

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

The Local Government Boundary Commission has a duty to conduct electoral reviews of local authorities in England. Reviews are conducted from 'time-to-time' which is generally once every 12-16 years (three or four elections). It is some time since Fylde Council had its last review, in 2000, and therefore the Local Government Boundary Commission has given notice to the Council of its intention to conduct a review commencing in 2020. Reviews can also be triggered by other means such as variances in the number of electors per member across the Borough in differing wards. Fylde does have some significant variances that would have triggered a review within a short period of time.

The primary purpose of the electoral review is to consider the total number of councillors elected to the council, as well as the names, number and boundaries of the wards, and the number of councillors to be elected to each ward.

An initial Electoral Review timetable for Fylde has been provided by the Commission and is attached for information, the intention is to have the new arrangements in place for the 2023 Borough elections.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Director of Resources

The Local Government Boundary Commission, www.lgbce.org.uk

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

To inform and provide members with the timetable for the electoral review process.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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Background

1. The Local Government Boundary Commission has a duty to conduct electoral reviews of local authorities in England. Reviews are conducted from 'time-to-time' which is generally once every 12-16 years. It is some time since Fylde Council had its last review, in 2000, and therefore the Local Government Boundary Commission has given notice to the Council of its intention to conduct a review commencing in 2020.

2. The purpose of the electoral review is to consider the total number of councillors elected to the Council, as well as the names, number and boundaries of the wards, and the number of councillors to be elected to each ward. The number of elected members necessary to operate a modern 21st century council is determined by a multitude of factors that the commission will consider including: governance arrangements; community leadership; strategic leadership; engagement; partnerships; and service delivery arrangements.
3. The initial Electoral Review timetable has been drafted by the Commission and is attached for information.
4. The first part of the review will seek a view from the council on the number of councillors needed to manage the business of a district council, this typically involves internal consultation with the council/political groups with a requirement to make an evidence based case for the number of elected members. The second stage of the review will examine the number, name and geographical size of the wards, this will involve consultation with the council and all external stakeholders.
5. The Commission will work closely with the Council to ensure a thorough and active engagement process with the Council and others. The Commission is cognisant that each individual local authority is a unique political entity and as a consequence there is no set formula or preconceived ideas about the arrangements going forward including the number of councillors.
6. The final decision on the number of elected members and the wards will be put before parliament by the Commission with the changes implemented at the next local election in 2023.

Opportunities

7. The aim of the review is not just to propose boundaries that are fair for voters and reflect community ties but to also help councils align their local leadership ambitions with their decision making arrangements.
8. Decision making arrangements have changed at Fylde since the last review with the move from a cabinet based system to a committee structure more recently.
9. The way services are commissioned, designed and delivered are constantly evolving and councillors representational role have changed since the last review at Fylde in 2000, these factors will be material considerations in determining the appropriate number of elected members for a small district authority.
10. The process allows Councils to take a strategic view about the number of councillors needed to manage the business of the council, provide accountability and represent the people in a 21st Century council.
11. The review will review ward boundaries to reflect the shape of local communities that have changed over time due to development and the movement of people. It will look forward at future estimated population figures as a part of this consideration.

Fylde Borough Council: Electoral Review Timetable

These timetables outline the key dates and activities for both the Council (shown in bold) and the Commission during the review process.

Preliminary Period

Briefings	Attendees		Key Dates
	Council	LGBCE	
Initial Meeting	Council Leader Chief Executive	Chair Chief Executive	29 August 2019
Officer Briefing	Council Officers involved in review	Review Manager Review Officer	TBC
Group Leader Briefing	Council Group Leaders	Lead Commissioner Review Manager Review Officer	
Full Council Briefing	All Councillors	Lead Commissioner Review Manager Review Officer	
Parish/Town Council & Local Groups Briefing	Not required	Review Manager Review Officer	TBC

Council Size

Activity	Involvement		Key Dates
	Council	LGBCE	
Develop council size proposal	Council Political Groups	Officers will be available to answer any technical queries on making a submission.	September 2019 to August 2020
Submission of council size proposals	Council Political Groups	Officers will acknowledge receipt of submissions.	4 August 2020
Commission Meeting: Council Size	Not required	Commission	15 September 2020

Warding Patterns

Activity	Involvement		Key Dates
	Council	LGBCE	
Consultation on warding patterns	Council Political Groups General Public	Run consultation, collate & analyse responses.	22 September 2020 to 30 November 2020
Commission Meeting: Draft Recommendations	Not required	Commission	16 February 2021
Consultation on Draft Recommendations	Council Political Groups General Public	Publish draft recommendations. Run consultation, collate & analyse responses.	2 March 2021 to 10 May 2021
Commission Meeting: Final Recommendations	Not required	Commission	20 July 2021
Final Recommendations Published	Not required	Publish final recommendations.	3 August 2021

Order

Activity	Involvement		Key Dates
	Council	LGBCE	
Order laid	Not required	Commission	Autumn 2021
Order made	Not required	Commission	Winter 2021/2022
Implementation	Council	Not required	2023

INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
MANAGEMENT TEAM	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	23 SEPTEMBER 2019	11
GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2019/20 - POSITION AS AT 31ST JULY 2019			

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 on the General Fund Revenue Budget of the Council as at 31st July 2019 and specifically for those areas under the remit of the Committee.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Chief Financial Officer – the report is based upon information extracted from the financial ledger system of the Council for the period to July 31st 2019.

LINK TO INFORMATION

General Fund Revenue Budget monitoring Report to 31st July 2019:

<http://www.fylde.gov.uk/council/finance/budget-monitoring/>

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

This information is provided to enable the committee to consider and scrutinise periodic revenue budget monitoring reports for those areas under the remit of the Committee.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2019/20

POSITION AS AT 31ST JULY 2019

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the General Fund Revenue Budget of the Council as at 31st July 2019. The report includes a narrative description of the most significant variances from the profiled latest budget and details any actions required to address these. Appendix A to this report shows the value of the most significant variances (those in excess of £5k) for all of the Council services by Committee and provides a brief explanation for each variance.

1. Background

- 1.1 The Council operates a system of Revenue Budget Monitoring which revolves around the production of detailed monthly monitoring reports for budget holders. Significant variances from the expected budget position at the point of monitoring, both for expenditure and income, are summarised in monitoring reports which are periodically reported to each Programme Committee for information purposes. This report therefore details the findings and issues emerging from budget monitoring carried out to 31st July 2019.
- 1.2 It should be noted that work continues on improving budget profiling across the Council in order that budget profiles more accurately reflect the spending pattern of individual budgets across the financial year. This serves to enhance budget monitoring and focus attention on true variances rather than budget profiling issues. This is a continuous process with budget holders so that the improved profiling continues to refine the budget monitoring system.
- 1.3 Council approved the 2019/20 budget at its meeting on 5th March 2019. Subsequently on 24th June 2019 the Finance and Democracy Committee approved the financial outturn position for 2018/19. The impact of those approvals, including savings and growth options approved at Council and slippage from 2018/19 approved by the Finance and Democracy Committee, are now reflected in the financial ledger of the Council and therefore this report monitors expenditure and income against the updated approved budgets.

2. Budget Rightsizing Exercise

- 2.1 For a number of years the Council has carried out an annual budget rightsizing exercise to analyse underspends which have occurred over the last 3 financial years and to adjust current and future year budgets to better reflect the level of resource requirement in the context of current financial constraints. This process will be repeated during the second quarter of 2019/20 and any resulting changes to budgets will be reflected in later updates to the Councils Financial Forecast.

3. Budget Areas to Note

There are a number of budget areas to note on this General Fund Budget Monitoring report:

i. Employee Costs

The budget forecast which was approved by Budget Council in March 2019 assumes reduced payroll costs as a result of 'turnover savings' (delays in the recruitment to vacant posts) of £300,000 per annum from 2019/20 onwards. The actual level of savings achieved in relation to direct employee costs for the current year to date shows a level of turnover savings in excess of this. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year.

ii. Sale of Sand (Sand-winning)

The increase in the annual income budget for 2019/20 to 400k (from £300k in the previous year) may be a challenging target and income to date is below the budgeted amount. Some of this may be due to a slight delay in invoicing whilst details of tonnage amounts are awaited. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and will be adjusted as necessary as part of future updates to the Financial Forecast.

iii. Fleet Costs

There are a number of favourable variances in respect of vehicle costs in the period to date. Some are due to the fact that a number of new vehicles have been acquired in the past 12 months, replacing older and more expensive to maintain vehicles. Additionally fuel costs for the first part of the year have been lower than anticipated. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and adjusted as necessary.

iv. Car Park Income

Despite some recent inclement weather, there has been periods of very good weather especially in April and late May/June which has resulted in higher than budgeted income. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and adjusted as necessary as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.

v. Miscellaneous Properties income

Additional income has been generated from rent reviews, fees for filming and photography on Council-owned land and from new concessions and other licences. This additional income will be reflected in the next update to the Financial Forecast.

vi. Cemetery and Crematorium income

The reduced income arising from funerals and interments is due to a lower than anticipated volume of activity and is offset to a degree by an increase in income from memorials. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and adjusted as necessary as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.

4. Conclusions

External pressures outside the Council's control are impacting on all local authorities. Instructions remain in place that officers should not commit to any unnecessary expenditure and should seek to maximise efficiencies. This approach has a downward impact on costs incurred by the Council and may result in an under-spend against budget this year.

Regular budget monitoring reports are an integral part of the Council's financial monitoring framework. These will be available on the Council's website.

Finance staff work continuously with budget holders across the Council, and are heavily reliant upon budget-holders to be able to understand and quantify the potential impact of in-year hotspot variances within their areas of responsibility.

We are still at the early part of 2019/20 and it is therefore not possible to draw any firm conclusions on the in-year financial position. The financial risks facing the Council, as set out in the MTFS to Council in March 2019 still remain. Instructions issued by Management Team that budget holders are to remain prudent in order to build up additional balances are still in place.

REVENUE MONITORING 2019/20 - Period 4 to July 31st 2019 (Variances in excess of £5k)
Appendix A

Key	BLUE	Variance currently showing but expected to be on target at year end
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FINANCE & DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE / CORPORATE CROSS CUTTING BUDGETS												
All Council services	Employee costs including basic pay, pension, NI, and overtime, plus agency costs	9,149,668	3,159,078	3,083,183	55,199	3,138,382	-20,696	FAVOURABLE	-0.7%		Corporate	The budget forecast which was approved by Budget Council in March 2019 assumes reduced payroll costs as a result of 'turnover savings' (delays in the recruitment to vacant posts) of £300,000 per annum from 2019/20 onwards. The actual level of savings achieved in relation to direct employee costs for the current year to date shows a level of turnover savings in excess of this. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year.
Elections - Other/Referendum	Elections - Neighbourhood Plan Referenda	26,411	8,808	0	0	0	-8,808	FAVOURABLE	-100.0%		Hazel McNicoll	The Council is currently waiting to see if permission to appeal to the Supreme Court is granted against an earlier Court of Appeal decision which challenged the St Annes Neighbourhood Plan. However it is unlikely that a Neighbourhood Planning referendum will be required in 2019/20 and this funding may ultimately be rescheduled to 2020/21. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the year and re-phased as necessary.
Legal Services Team	Legal Fees and Court Costs	10,000	3,336	31,420	1,524	32,944	29,608	ADVERSE	887.5%		Ian Curtis	The majority of these costs have been incurred in meeting counsel's fees to defend the council's position in a claim for reimbursement of a significant amount of business rates monies previously paid to Fylde Council. A further element relates to counsel's fees in the 'Neighbourhood Plan Challenge case', which the Council has won at all stages so far, but which may yet be taken to the Supreme Court. It will be necessary to address this additional financial requirement as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.
Internal Audit	Miscellaneous Income	0	0	-6,360	0	-6,360	-6,360	FAVOURABLE	100.0%		Dawn Highton	This is additional unbudgetted income arising from the provision of internal audit services to Lancaster City Council. This additional income will be reflected in the next update to the Financial Forecast.
Miscellaneous Properties	Other Rent	-164,457	-54,860	-81,639	0	-81,639	-26,779	FAVOURABLE	-48.8%		Marie Percival	This is additional income arising from rent reviews, fees for filming and photography on Council-owned land and from new concessions and other licences. This additional income will be reflected in the next update to the Financial Forecast.

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TOURISM & LEISURE COMMITTEE												
Parks Development	Other Miscellaneous Grants	0	0	-12,379	0	-12,379	-12,379	FAVOURABLE	100.0%		Tim Dixon	In March 2019 the Council were notified of a 'Local Authorities Parks Improvement Funding Grant' from the Government of £12,379 to support work on parks where there is urgent need of refurbishment. A report will be presented to the Tourism and Leisure Committee later in the year to detail proposals for how the grant will be used.
Coast and Countryside	Sale of Sand (sandwinning)	-400,000	-133,440	-119,158	0	-119,158	14,282	ADVERSE	10.7%		Marie Percival	Although some of this shortfall may be due to a slight delay in invoicing, the increase in the annual income budget for 2019/20 to 400k (from £300k in the previous year) may be a challenging target. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and will be adjusted as necessary as part of future updates to the Financial Forecast.
OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE												
Fleet	FMS Material Cost	147,670	48,661	22,557	6,986	29,543	-19,118	FAVOURABLE	-39.3%		Kathy Winstanley / Steve Fulton	There are a number of favourable variances in respect of vehicle costs. Some are due to the fact that a number of vehicles have been acquired in the past 12 months, replacing older and more expensive to maintain vehicles. Additionally fuel costs for the first part of the year have been lower than anticipated. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and adjusted as necessary as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.
	Fuel Costs	313,406	104,536	94,882	0	94,882	-9,654	FAVOURABLE	-9.2%			
Fylde Waste Schemes	Other Sales	-45,000	-15,008	-32,485	0	-32,485	-17,477	FAVOURABLE	-116.5%		Kathy Winstanley	This is additional unbudgetted income arising from the increased sale of chargeable wheeled bins in respect of newly built properties. This additional income will be reflected in the next update to the Financial Forecast.
Car Parks	Car Parking Fees	-575,000	-252,179	-257,735	0	-257,735	-5,556	FAVOURABLE	-2.2%		Andrew Loynd	Despite some recent inclement weather, there has been periods of very good weather especially in April and late May/June which has resulted in higher than budgeted income. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and adjusted as necessary as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.

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ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE

Cemetery and Crematorium	Interments	-200,000	-66,720	-60,408	0	-60,408	6,313	ADVERSE	9.5%		Alan Royston	The reduced income arising from funerals and interments is due to a lower than anticipated volume of activity and is offset to a degree by an increase in income from memorials. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and adjusted as necessary as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.
	Cremations	-1,140,000	-380,304	-350,126	0	-350,126	30,178	ADVERSE	7.9%			
	Memorial Income	-40,000	-13,344	-19,859	0	-19,859	-6,515	FAVOURABLE	-48.8%			
Homelessness	Bed and Breakfast accommodation costs	30,000	10,008	17,535	0	17,535	7,527	ADVERSE	75.2%		Kirstine Riding	Although this adverse variance is partially offset by income of £7,000 from Housing Benefits, the service has seen a marked increase in presentations of single households in priority need following the introduction of the Homeless Reduction Act. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and adjusted as necessary as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.
Housing Standards	Disabled Facilities Grant Fees	-150,000	-50,040	-71,819	0	-71,819	-21,779	FAVOURABLE	-43.5%		Kirstine Riding	The increase in the level of Disabled Facilities Grant funding from central government in recent years has the effect of also increasing the level of fees receivable by Fylde Council for the management of grant-funded works as more grants are able to be awarded. Additionally the grant management fee level has been increased to 15% in line with that levied by other councils. This budget will be reviewed as part of the right-sizing exercise and adjusted as necessary.

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DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Development Management	Consultants Fees	30,000	10,008	3,570	1,355	4,925	-5,083	FAVOURABLE	-50.8%		Mark Evans	Consultants are appointed as and when necessary to provide specialist advice on complex planning applications and projects. Accordingly expenditure is dependant upon the nature of planning applications submitted during the year. The budget will continue to be monitored during the remainder of 2019/20 and adjusted as necessary.
Planning Appeals	Planning Appeal Hearing Costs	50,000	16,680	660	5,000	5,660	-11,020	FAVOURABLE	-66.1%			Costs associated with planning appeals vary depending upon the number of planning appeals that are made against the Council's decisions. Following the adoption of the Local Plan in October 2018 there has been a marked decrease in the number of major planning appeals submitted to the planning inspectorate. The budget will continue to be monitored and may be adjusted as part of future updates to the Financial Forecast.
Development Management Team	Consultants Fees	40,000	13,344	0	0	0	-13,344	FAVOURABLE	-100.0%			The need to appoint specialist consultants to assist in the determination of planning applications depends on the nature of applications submitted to the Council and as such is difficult to forecast accurately. To date that need has been lower than anticipated. The budget will continue to be monitored during the remainder of 2019/20 and adjusted as necessary.
Planning Policy	Local Development Framework Costs	18,000	6,004	0	0	0	-6,004	FAVOURABLE	-100.0%			The review of the Local Plan has commenced, but no costs outside normal staffing costs have yet been incurred. There will be a need to seek specialist advice later in the year as the review continues. The budget will continue to be monitored during the remainder of 2019/20 and adjusted as necessary.

INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
MANAGEMENT TEAM	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	23 SEPTEMBER 2019	12
CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING REPORT 2019/20 – POSITION AS AT 31st JULY 2019			

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 on the approved Capital Programme of the Council as at 31st July 2019 and specifically for those schemes under the remit of the Committee.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Chief Financial Officer – the report is based upon information extracted from the financial ledger system of the Council for the period to July 31st 2019.

LINK TO INFORMATION

Capital Programme monitoring Report to 31st July 2019:

<http://www.fylde.gov.uk/council/finance/budget-monitoring/>

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

This information is provided to enable the committee to consider and scrutinise the Capital Programme monitoring reports for those schemes under the remit of the Committee.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING REPORT 2019/20 –

POSITION AS AT 31ST JULY 2019

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide an in-year progress update in respect of those schemes within the Capital Programme that have been approved for delivery in 2019/20, together with an update on the overall Five Year Capital Programme of the Council. This report includes a narrative description of some of the more significant schemes within the Capital Programme and details any risks and the actions required to address these. Appendix A to this report provides an update by Committee on schemes scheduled for commencement or delivery in 2019/20. Appendix B provides a summary of the latest position for the 5 year Capital Programme and Appendix C provides details of the financing of the programme.

1. Background

The Council approved the Capital Programme on 5th March 2019. That update showed a balanced capital programme position from 2019/20 onwards. This report includes year to date expenditure and sets out the latest phasing of the programme and any additions or changes since the capital programme was presented to Council in March 2019. The Programme has also been rolled forward to include the year 2023/24.

2. Notes on Specific Schemes

There are a number of schemes for which further information is provided below:

i) Coast Protection Scheme

The Fairhaven to Church Scar Coast Protection scheme total cost is £21.8m, being funded by Environment Agency grants of £21.4m and a contribution from Fylde Council of £0.4m. This is made up of a contract price of £19.5m, with a risk/contingency budget of £1.8m and a budget for fees of £0.5m. Work started on site in December 2017 and is progressing well with the replacement hard sea defences and work on the promenade underway at Church Scar is nearing completion. Work on the sheet piling around Fairhaven Lake started in September, four months ahead of schedule.

The Coastal Defence Team have been successful in securing additional funding from the Environment Agency to enable the Granny's Bay hard sea defences to be delivered following completion of the Fairhaven Scheme in 2019/20. A report on this additional work in the sum of £2m (which is reflected in the total scheme cost above) was approved by the Operational Management Committee at its meetings in September 2018 and June 2019 and by Council in October 2018. The Granny's Bay works will essentially tie the two schemes at Fairhaven and Church Scar together, as well as providing local erosion and flood protection for local residents. Completion of these works will remove the requirement for much of the emergency maintenance works undertaken by the Council following extreme storms at Granny's Bay. With Granny's Bay now included the whole scheme is now currently forecast to be completed by summer 2020.

In addition to the core sea defence works a range of public realm enhancements to the scheme have been added to the scheme at a total cost of £360k, funded by Fylde Council from the Capital Investment Reserve. The works relate to the remodelling of the Stanner Bank car park entrance, the provision of bespoke seating to compliment the wider landscape and the provision of ducting to allow for future services connection to a potential structure/building on or around the Mawson lookout. These works will be delivered alongside the main scheme.

The expenditure forecast has been re-phased to reflect the current expectations regarding the timing of the delivery of the scheme. Further re-phasing of the expenditure profile between the years is likely to be required as the scheme progresses and the capital programme will be updated accordingly and reported regularly to members.

ii) Fairhaven Lake & Promenade Gardens Restoration including the Adventure Golf Scheme

The tender for the physical works (Buildings and Landscapes) was issued on the 1st August, with works due to start on site in October and to be completed by July 2020. This excludes the lake works which are due to be undertaken on site in Autumn/Winter 2020. An element of the scheme will be re-phased into 2020/21 to reflect this as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast. Events and Activities at the lake and gardens will be on-going throughout this period.

The Adventure Golf scheme has been delayed from the original dates as set out within the earlier Committee reports due to physical constraints arising from the Heritage Lottery Fund works at the location. The Adventure Golf works will now be rescheduled into 2020/2021 as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast. The proposed start date for work to start on site is now April 2020 with a completion target date of summer 2020.

iii) Disabled Facilities Grants

The grant allocation has been increased for 2019/20 to a total of £1,090k which, together with slippage of £13k from 2018/19 and a further £40k from New Fylde Housing in relation to DFG works on properties that they own, provides total funding for 2019/20 of £1,143k. This revised allocation will be reflected in the next update of the Financial Forecast. Grant awards are progressing well and it is anticipated that the majority of the grant allocation will be spent in 2019/20.

iv) St Annes Regeneration Schemes

The next phase of regeneration works in St Annes was agreed to be Wood Street, subject to agreement with landowners following the usual delivery model. However, despite several meetings with tenants and owners there remain difficulties in 'acquiring' all of the forecourt for implementation of the easterly side of the works. As a result it is now recommended that the westerly side (The Council's car park side) be finalised initially with a view to commencement in the spring of 2020. In addition it is proposed to extend the Pier link scheme/ Clifton Drive South to include other elements of the town centre regeneration plan as set out in the 2020 Vision document. It is anticipated that an element of the scheme will now be rescheduled into 2020/21 as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.

v) Lytham Regeneration Schemes

In respect of the large capital scheme for Lytham town centre, a number of suggestions have been made by the Lytham Business Group and other parties, some of which require careful consideration along with agencies such as Lancashire County Council. Options are being considered involving local members and a draft plan is being drawn together. This will have a phased programme of works to be considered in due course by the Planning Committee. It is envisaged that the first phase will be commenced during the current financial year.

3 Conclusions

- 3.1 Actual expenditure to 31st July 2019 is £3.905m against a full year budget of £17.579m. This equates to 22.2% of the latest budget. Certain schemes will be adjusted or re-phased into 2020/21 as part of future Financial Forecast updates that are reported to Members during the year.
- 3.2 The current Capital Programme as updated is showing a balanced position for 2019/20 onward. The Capital Programme and the associated financing will be subject to discussion with members during the months in the lead up to the annual budget setting process for 2020/21.
- 3.3 Any additional expenditure which is not fully-funded by external finance would normally require the generation of capital receipts or further borrowing (the latter placing further pressure on the Revenue Budget from the consequent repayment costs). However Budget Council on 4th March 2013 approved the creation of a Capital Investment Reserve to finance future capital expenditure. As at 31st March 2019 the balance of the reserve was £4.386m after a favourable 2018/19 outturn position allowed for the transfer into the reserve of an additional sum of £0.530m in 2018/19.

There is a forecast further transfer into the reserve in 2019/20 of £0.955m along with future committed expenditure from the reserve of £3.361m (not including any possible underwriting of the Fairhaven

Restoration Scheme as approved by Council in July 2018), leaving a forecast unallocated balance on the reserve at the end of 2019/20 of £1.980m.

An updated position in respect of the Capital investment Reserve will be included within the Financial Forecast Update to be presented to the Finance and Democracy Committee in November this year and to Council the following month. Additional future projects will be subject to further consideration as part of the budget setting process for 2020/21. Whilst it remains the case that this reserve is the preferred source of finance for any further additions to the Capital Programme, continuing contributions to the reserve are required in order to maintain a sustainable funding source for future years.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME - 2019/20 IN-YEAR SCHEME MONITORING REPORT - AS AT 31/07/19

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APPROVED SCHEMES	Financing Source	Approved Budget 2019/20 £000	Slippage B/F from 2018/19 £000	Adjustments from 05/03/19 £000	Updated Budget 2019/20 £000	Expenditure to 31/07/19 £000	Variance £000	Comments
<u>FINANCE & DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE</u>								
Accommodation Project - Phase 8 - Town Hall Car Park	General asset disposal receipts	0	33		33		33	This scheme (the final element of the Accommodation Project) has now been completed. The final invoices and the retention element remain to be settled.
Purchase of Land Adjacent to Squires Gate Station	Capital Investment Reserve	0		5	5		5	The Council has commenced negotiations with the landowner to purchase the land.
Sub total		0	33	5	38	0	38	
<u>TOURISM & LEISURE COMMITTEE</u>								
St Annes Pool	No external finance - funded by borrowing / general asset disposal receipts	93			93		93	No expenditure is currently planned for 2019/20. If not required in this financial year the budget will be re-phased into 2020/21 which will be reflected in the next update of the Financial Forecast.
Fairhaven Lake & Promenade Gardens Restoration	Capital Investment Reserve	120		1,435	1,555	84	1,471	The scheme is progressing well although an element may require re-phasing into 2020/21. Further details are provided within the body of the report.
Fairhaven Adventure Golf	Capital Investment Reserve	0		505	505		505	This scheme has been delayed from the original dates set out within the Committee reports due to physical constraints arising from the Heritage Lottery Fund works at the location. Further details are provided within the body of the report.
Promenade Footways	No external finance - funded by borrowing / general asset disposal receipts	40	-5		35		35	A scheme is being developed and will be submitted to the Tourism and Leisure Committee for consideration at either the September or November meeting of the committee.
Staining Playing Fields Development Scheme	Capital Investment Reserve	129	151		280	134	146	Phase 1 and 2 started in April 2019 and the works are due to be complete by March 2020. The primary drainage works and secondary sports pitch drainage are being undertaken. The cost of these phases are £186,000. Once the contractor was 'on site' to undertake the main drainage scheme, it became obvious that the secondary drainage works and additional levelling of the site needed to be undertaken at the same time, to ensure best value for money and a fully competent drainage scheme. The remaining budget for Phase 3 is £94,000 and a scheme for these works are being designed in consultation with the parish council and community groups. It is expected that physical works will start in March/April 2020 with an anticipated finish date of May 2020. An element of the scheme will be re-phased into 2020/21 to reflect this as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.

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<u>TOURISM & LEISURE COMMITTEE (cont'd)</u>								
Ashton Gardens Play Area	Capital Investment Reserve	20			20		20	Tenders have been received and evaluated for the supply and provision of a new timber 'Galleon'. A report will be presented to the meeting of the Tourism and Leisure Committee in September 2019 detailing the procurement process and requesting approval to award the contract. The works are due to start in December 2019 with a completion date of January 2020.
Ashton Gardens Nursery Improvements	Capital Investment Reserve	30			30		30	Tenders have been received and evaluated to carry out the improvement works. A report will be presented to the meeting of the Tourism and Leisure Committee in September 2019 detailing the procurement process and requesting approval to award the contract. The works due to start in October 2019 with a completion date of November 2019.
Coastal Signage Improvements	Capital Investment Reserve	60			60		60	A proposed scheme is currently being developed. It is intended that the scheme will be presented to the Tourism and Leisure Committee for consideration at either the January or March 2020 meeting of the committee. It is expected that the scheme will be re-phased into 2020/21 and that this will be reflected in the next update of the Financial Forecast.
Open Space access control measures	Capital Investment Reserve	15			15		15	Consultation with ward members and relevant 'friends groups' are currently being undertaken to confirm the details of what access controls are required at Blackpool Road North Playing Fields and King George the V Playing Field (Heeley Road). Once the requirements are agreed a report will be presented to the November meeting of the Tourism and Leisure Committee detailing the procurement process and requesting approval to award the contract. It is anticipated that the physical works will be completed by 31st March 2020.
Coastal Explorers	Capital Investment Reserve	20			20		20	Officers are currently developing and progressing funding bids for the project. An 'expression of interest' to the Big Lottery Fund is being prepared and once assessed feedback on the submission of a full application should be received, which may in turn lead to a grant application of £50,000. A further grant application will be made to Arts Council England in 2020, for a further £50,000. Meanwhile officers are working on the specification and logistics for the provision and installation of the Coastal Explorers unit, to be located at Fairhaven Lake around early 2021. This is a trial project which will deliver a diverse range of cultural and arts projects and initiatives that will be creative and educational and may lead to a further grant application to Arts Council England for a permanent facility. It is expected that the scheme will be re-phased into 2020/21 and that this will be reflected in the next update of the Financial Forecast.
Sub total		527	146	1,940	2,613	218	2,395	

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OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE								
Replacement Vehicles	Capital Investment Reserve / Borrowing	471	148		619	199	420	It is anticipated that most planned vehicle purchases will be completed to budget during 2019/20 although the delivery of a number of vehicles may be delayed due to the long build times for bespoke vehicles and delivery may run into 2020/21.
Car Park Improvements	No external finance - funded by borrowing / general asset disposal receipts	30			30		30	A proposed scheme will be presented for consideration to the Operational Management Committee at either the September or November 2019 meeting of the committee.
Public Transport Improvements	S106 Developer Contributions	48	30	13	91		91	This funding is being spent as projects are developed. To date £13k has been allocated to Staining Parish Council to support a free local bus service.
Fairhaven and Church Scar Coast Protection Scheme	Specific Government Grant (Environment Agency) / Capital Investment Reserve	7,330	2,276		9,606	2,987	6,619	This project is currently on target and within the agreed spending profile.
Fairhaven and Church Scar Coast Public Realm Works	Capital Investment Reserve	260	100		360		360	This project is currently on target and within the agreed spending profile.
Accommodation/ facilities at Snowdon Rd Depot	Capital Investment Reserve	200			200		200	A proposed scheme will be presented for consideration to the Operational Management Committee at the November 2019 meeting of the committee.
North Beach Car Park: Development of Toilet Facilities	Capital Investment Reserve	185			185		185	Site investigations and surveys are currently underway. A report will be presented to the Operational Management Committee once the scheme has been fully designed and developed.
Stanner Bank car park - barrier scheme	Capital Investment Reserve	50			50		50	Progress on this scheme is dependant on the wider sea defence project. With Stanner Bank Car Park entrance likely to be used as part of the operating area for the installation of Granney's Bay sea defence works (which has just been awarded) the barrier is unlikely to be installed until those works are complete. The works will now be rescheduled into 2020/2021 as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast.
Sub total		8,574	2,554	13	11,141	3,186	7,955	

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ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE								
Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG) Programme	Specific Grant (Better Care Fund) / External Contributions / Grant repayments	1,050	13	80	1,143	489	654	Grant awards are progressing well and It is anticipated that the majority of the available funding of £1,143k will be spent in 19/20. Further details are provided within the body of the report.
Housing Needs Grant	DFG Grant Repayments	0	16	17	33	2	31	The income from returned DFG grants is intended to be used for incidental costs relating to specific DFG works e.g. architect fees. As this requirement is unplanned it is not readily predictable as to when costs will be incurred.
Affordable Housing Scheme Sunnybank Mill, Kirkham	S106 Developer Contributions	460	-460		0		0	This scheme was completed to budget in March 2019.
Church Road Methodist Church, St Annes	S106 Developer Contributions	275			275		275	This scheme was completed to budget in August 2019.
Affordable Warmth Scheme	Specific Grant (Lancashire County Council)	0	8		8		8	This funding is intended to provide financial support for means-tested affordable warmth measures undertaken by CHiL (Cosy homes in Lancashire) Scheme as and when required. There have been no requests for such support received during the year to date.
CCTV Replacement Schemes	Specific Grant (LSP Performance Reward Grant)	0	27		27		27	It has been agreed by the Environment, Health and Housing Committee that capital expenditure will only be made on essential work or replacement CCTV when necessary and subject to approval; all unspent funds will continue to be slipped as necessary.
Cemetery and Crematorium - Infrastructure Works	Capital Investment Reserve	294			294		294	This scheme is expected to commence shortly and to be completed by the end of November 2019.
Sub total		2,079	-396	97	1,780	491	1,289	

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PLANNING COMMITTEE								
St Annes Regeneration Schemes	S106 Developer Contributions / Capital Investment Reserve	315			315	10	305	The scheme is currently in development and there are a number of issues that remain to be determined. It is anticipated that an element of the scheme will now be rescheduled into 2020/2021 as part of the next update to the Financial Forecast. Further details are provided within the body of the report.
St Annes Road West – Square to Pier link and Gateway	Capital Investment Reserve	110			110		110	This scheme is being progressed in consultation with with various agencies including Lancashire County Council and the owners of adjoining land. The works are expected to commence in March 2020.
Lytham Regeneration Schemes	S106 Developer Contributions / Capital Investment Reserve	400			400		400	This scheme is currently in development and there are a number of issues that remain to be determined. It is still envisaged that the first phase will be commenced during the current financial year. Further details are provided within the body of the report.
Kirkham Public Realm Improvements	S106 Developer Contributions / Capital Investment Reserve	0	5		5		5	It is expected that this scheme will be delivered within budget during this financial year.
M55 Link Road	S106 Developer Contributions / M55 Link Road Reserve	0	103	1,000	1,103		1,103	Discussions are ongoing with the developer of the residential land at Queensway and other public bodies to secure funding to enable the accelerated delivery of the M55 link road. Given deadlines attached to other funding streams that have been secured to accelerate the delivery of the link road, it is expected that a decision on the accelerated delivery of the road will be made this financial year.
Ansdell / Fairhaven - Public Realm Scheme	Capital Investment Reserve	0	10		10		10	It is expected that this scheme will be delivered within budget during this financial year.
St Annes Pier - Coastal Revival Fund	Specific Grant	0	24		24		24	It is expected that this scheme will be delivered within budget during this financial year. This project has been tied to the phasing of a wider scheme of works by the Pier Company.
Tree Planting	Capital Investment Reserve	25			25		25	It is expected that this scheme will be delivered within budget during this financial year.
Kirkham and Wesham Station	S106 Developer Contributions	0		15	15		15	The procurement of a feasibility study to examine the options available to deliver a park and ride facility at Kirkham and Wesham Station is currently underway. It is expected that the study will be completed during the current financial year.
Sub total		850	142	1,015	2,007	10	1,997	
Total Expenditure		12,030	2,479	3,070	17,579	3,905	13,674	

UPDATED 5 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2019/20 TO 2023/24 - BY SCHEME

	Estimate 2019/20 £000	Estimate 2020/21 £000	Estimate 2021/22 £000	Estimate 2022/23 £000	Estimate 2023/24 £000
FINANCE & DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE					
Accommodation Project - Phase 8 - Town Hall Car Park	33				
Purchase of Land Adjacent to Squires Gate Station	5				
Sub total	38	0	0	0	0
TOURISM & LEISURE COMMITTEE					
Ashton Gardens Depot					
St Annes Pool	93				
Fairhaven Lake & Promenade Gardens Restoration	1,555	714	169		
Fairhaven Adventure Golf	505				
Promenade Footways	35	40	40	40	40
Staining Playing Fields Development Scheme	280				
Ashton Gardens Play Area	20				
Ashton Gardens Nursery Improvements	30				
Coastal Signage Improvements	60				
Open Space access control measures	15				
Coastal Explorers	20				
Sub total	2,613	754	209	40	40
OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE					
Replacement Vehicles	619	562	119	306	971
Car Park Improvements	30	30	30	30	30
Public Transport Improvements	91	48	48	30	
Fairhaven and Church Scar Coast Protection Scheme	9,606				
Fairhaven and Church Scar Coast Public Realm Works	360				
Accommodation/ facilities at Snowdon Rd Depot	200				
North Beach Car Park: Development of Toilet Facilities	185				
Stanner Bank car park - barrier scheme	50				
Sub total	11,141	640	197	366	1,001
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE					
Disabled Facilities Programme	1,143	1,130	1,130	1,130	1,130
Housing Needs Grant	33				
Affordable Housing Scheme - Sunnybank Mill, Kirkham	0				
Church Road Methodist Church, St Annes	275				
Affordable Warmth Scheme	8				
Rapid Deployment CCTV Replacement Projects	27				
Cemetery and Crematorium - Infrastructure Works	294				
Sub total	1,780	1,130	1,130	1,130	1,130
PLANNING COMMITTEE					
St Annes Regeneration Schemes	315				
St Annes Road West – Square to Pier link and Gateway	110				
Lytham Regeneration Schemes	400	300	100		
Kirkham Public Realm Improvements	5				
M55 Link Road - S106 monies for design work	1,103				
Ansdell / Fairhaven - Public Realm scheme	10				
St Annes Pier - Coastal Revival Fund	24				
Tree Planting	25				
Kirkham and Wesham Station	15				
Sub total	2,007	300	100	0	0
Total Expenditure	17,579	2,824	1,636	1,536	2,171

UPDATED 5 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2019/20 TO 2023/24 - FINANCING

	Estimate 2019/20 £000	Estimate 2020/21 £000	Estimate 2021/22 £000	Estimate 2022/23 £000	Estimate 2023/24 £000
FINANCING:					
Capital Receipts - General Asset Sales	45	45	45	45	45
Capital Receipts - Right to Buy Receipts	25	25	25	25	25
Better Care Fund / Disabled Facilities Grant	1,103	1,090	1,090	1,090	1,090
Disabled Facilities Grant Repayments - 'Housing Needs Grants'	33				
Section 106 Monies - St Annes	265				
Section 106 Monies - Lytham	130				
Section 106 Monies - Church Road Methodist Church, St Annes	275				
Section 106 Monies - M55 Link-Road	103				
Section 106 Monies - Public Transport Improvements	91	48	48	30	
Section 106 Monies - Staining Chain Lane Playing Fields	174				
Section 106 Monies - Kirkham and Wesham Station	15				
Capital Investment Reserve	1,976				
Capital Investment Reserve - Budget Council Proposals March 19	985	300	100		
Capital Investment Reserve - Underwriting max £343k - Fairhaven	32				
M55 Link-Road Reserve	1,000				
Funding Volatility Reserve - Fairhaven Restoration Project	400				
Other External Finance (see analysis below)	10,364	754	209	40	40
Direct Revenue Finance					
Prudential Borrowing	563	562	119	306	971
Total Financing	17,579	2,824	1,636	1,536	2,171

Total surplus (-) / shortfall in year	0	0	0	0	0
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Cumulative surplus (-) / shortfall	0	0	0	0	0
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See note below for external funding available to finance the above schemes:

Other External Finance: Analysis

LSP Performance Reward Grant	27				
Environment Agency - Fylde Coastal Preliminaries	9,206				
Lancashire County Council - Affordable Warmth Scheme	8				
Coastal Revival Fund - St Annes Pier	24				
Staining Parish Council	25				
Friends of Staining Open Spaces	1				
John Lees Charitable Trust	30				
New Fylde Housing - DFG Contribution	40	40	40	40	40
Heritage Lottery Fund - Fairhaven Restoration Project	594	714	169		
Sport England - Fairhaven Restoration Project - confirmed	100				
United Utilities - Fairhaven Restoration Project	60				
Lytham Schools Foundation - Fairhaven Restoration Project	15				
RSPB - Fairhaven Restoration Project	8				
Coastal Communities Fund - Fairhaven Restoration Project	130				
Lawn Tennis Association - Fairhaven Restoration Project	51				
Lancashire Environmental Fund - Fairhaven Restoration Project	30				
Café Tenant Contribution - Fairhaven Restoration Project	15				
	10,364	754	209	40	40