

## Community Outlook Forum



Date	12 <sup>th</sup> December 2005
Venue	Studio Room, Lowther Pavilion, Lytham
Committee members	Louis Rigby (Chairman) Susan Fazackerley (Vice Chairman) Kiran Mulholland, William Thompson, Stephen Wall and Colin Walton
Other Councillors	Christine Akeroyd and Dawn Prestwich
Officers	Andrew Lee, Oliver Shimell and Carolyn Whewell
Others	None

### 1. Declarations of interest

Members were reminded that any personal/prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct adopted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000.

### 2. Confirmation of minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Community Outlook Forum meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2005 as a correct record for signature by the chairman.

### 3. Substitute members

No Substitute members were reported.

### 4. Fylde Community Safety Partnership - Government Office for the North West Review

Christine Miller (Community Safety Partnership Officer) presented the Mid-Year Performance Review report of the Community Safety Partnership.

Members RESOLVED:

1. To receive and accept the report
2. To thank Ms Miller for her work.

## 5. Report back on the Planning Issues for Childrens Homes in Fylde

Mark Evans (Development Control Manager) presented an update on the actions arising from the Community Outlook Forum on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2005. Mr Evans circulated additional documentation that is reproduced at the end of these minutes.

Members asked a number of questions regarding; what constituted a material change of use, whether there was any requirement for a residential member of staff (to remain on the premises) and how other local authorities came to a different interpretation on this matter.

Following a full debate the forum RESOLVED:

1. To ask Mr Evans to report back to a future meeting of the forum with an assessment of similar decisions made by other Local Authorities.

## 6. The Northern Way

Councillor Dawn Prestwich presented a report on the Northern Way.

The Northern Way Programme is a Central Government funded scheme, led by the Regional Development Agencies. The aim was to establish the North of England as an area of exceptional opportunity combining a world class economy with an excellent quality of life. Blackpool Council was co-ordinating the programme of work for the Fylde Coast concentrating on two of the main priorities: advance manufacturing and tourism, both of which had implications for Fylde.

The North-West had been split into eight regions each based around a major city and surrounding urban and rural populations. The Central Lancashire region concentrated on the areas of Blackpool, Blackburn and Preston. Alan Cavill from Blackpool Borough Council was co-ordinating the Northern Way Programme work for the Fylde Coast area. Activity for the Fylde Coast concentrated on two areas, both of which had potential benefits for Fylde.

Earlier this year, The Northern Way hosted a consultation event, followed by the launch of the Business Plan. A second round of consultation was held to agree the Central Lancashire City Regional Plan. Paul Drinnan from the Economic Wellbeing and Regeneration Business Unit represented Fylde Borough Council at this consultation.

Following a short debate the forum RESOLVED to invite Alan Cavill (Blackpool Borough Council) and Paul Drinnan (Head of Regeneration) to present a further report on The Northern Way.