



# **Authorities Monitoring Report 2023 - 2024**

Wyre Council Local Plan Evidence Base

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## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 The Authorities Monitoring Report

1.1.1 The preparation of Annual Monitoring Reports ceased on 15 January 2012 when section 113 of the Localism Act came into force amending section 35 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. This removes the requirement for annual monitoring reports to be made to the Secretary of state. However, councils are still required to prepare reports, known as 'Authorities' Monitoring Reports (AMR). This Act requires councils to publish this information direct to the public at least annually in the interests of transparency.

1.1.2 As a legislative requirement under Regulation 34 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012, the AMR is the main mechanism for assessing the performance and effects of Wyre's Development Plan (also includes the Lancashire Minerals and Waste Development Framework but monitored by Lancashire County Council and therefore not monitored in this report) The AMR also monitors performance against – and the timescales set out in the Local Development Scheme (LDS) in relation to the review of the Local Plan and the preparation of other supplementary documents and guidance.

1.1.3 This is the 20<sup>th</sup> AMR for Wyre Borough and covers the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024. The purpose is as follows:

- To monitor the key characteristics of Wyre as a wider contextual setting for Local Plan monitoring;
- To assess the planning policies of the Adopted Local Plan 2011-2031, including their effectiveness, and the impacts they have on the Borough in order to establish a baseline for future monitoring; and
- To consider progress in terms of preparation of any planning policy documents set out in the Local Development Scheme (LDS) and any 'real time' subsequent updates on the Council's website.

### 1.2 Wyre's Development Plan

1.2.1 The Development Plan for Wyre Council currently comprises the following documents:

- **Policies** included within Wyre Local Plan 2011-2031 (Incorporating Partial Update of 2022)
- The **Lancashire Minerals and Waste Development Framework** produced by Lancashire County Council.

### 1.3 Structure

1.3.1 In order to address these issues, the AMR is structured in the following manner.

1.3.2 Chapter 1 outlines the key messages of this AMR and Wyre's Development Plan.

1.3.3 Chapter 2 monitors contextual information (e.g. population growth, age rates) for the district to review the baseline conditions in the borough to assess the extent that



the local plan spatial strategy is being delivered, remains appropriate and is sustainable.

1.3.4 Chapters 3 – 13 provide monitoring and analysis of the implementation of the Local Plan through the schedule of Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI) and Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI). These will provide an accurate indication of the performance against the Local Plan strategic objectives and the local plan policies having regard to a realistic assessment of the available sources to Wyre Council.

1.3.5 Chapter 14 reviews the progress made on preparing planning documents against the Local Development Scheme.

1.3.6 Chapter 15 reviews the progress against the Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP).

1.3.7 Chapter 16 outlines the Council's actions under the Duty to Cooperate requirements with neighbouring authorities.

1.3.8 Chapter 17 outlines the latest position regarding Neighbourhood Plans.

1.3.9 Chapter 18 outlines the latest position regarding Self-build and custom build housing.

1.3.10 Chapter 19 the latest position regarding Wyre Council's Brownfield Register.

## **1.4 Limitations**

1.4.1 As part of the plan, monitor and manage approach, the indicators and targets will be reviewed throughout the plan period to assess their suitability and so they remain appropriate. Additional indicators may also be included in the AMR. It must be recognised that in relation to some indicators the impact of the local plan can only be determined after a number of years.

1.4.2 It should also be noted that for some applications which require legal agreements under S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 the official approval date is the date on which the permission is issued after the S106 agreement is signed and is not the date that the application was approved by the Planning Committee. This process can sometimes take several months before final permission can be granted. It is at that point when an application is considered as approved that it is included in the relevant AMR. Monies will only come forward upon certain triggers that are set out in the associated S106 agreement.

1.4.3 A number of gaps do still exist in monitoring information (this may be due to discontinued data) and additional monitoring may take place in the future to address this.

1.4.4 It should be noted that some of the sustainability appraisal indicators that were developed in the Wyre Local Plan (2011-2031) Sustainability Appraisal Report (Strategic Environmental Assessment and Sustainability Appraisal) August 2017 have been amended and/or removed to best fit the monitoring required for the local plan. SAIs may have not been included in this AMR due to overlaps in the indicators and new SAIs may be introduced during the plan period.

1.4.5 It must be noted that some figures included in this document do not include permitted developments or discharge of condition applications. It should therefore be assumed that some developments (i.e. change of use) have also been developed and are not included in this document. Moreover, some figures do not include applications that have been allowed on appeal.

1.4.6 Where there has been an application permitted which includes intensification of an existing employment site, i.e. an extension or additional floor to existing employment building, only net additional floorspace is recorded as the site area already exists and would be misrepresentative. Therefore, gross figures may be recorded as no take up or loss (0 hectares).

## **1.5 Other**

1.5.1 At the end of each chapter, there is an indicator analysis section. Below sets out the system used to determine performance.

**Green = Positive performance**

**Orange = Neither negative nor positive**

**Red = Negative performance / Action may be required**

## **2 Contextual (Background) Information**

### **2.1 Introduction**

2.1.1 As well as monitoring the objectives and local plan policies, the AMR also monitors contextual information (e.g. population growth) for the district as a whole to review the baseline conditions in the borough to assess the extent that the local plan spatial strategy is being delivered and remains appropriate and is sustainable.

### **2.2 Spatial Characteristics of Wyre**

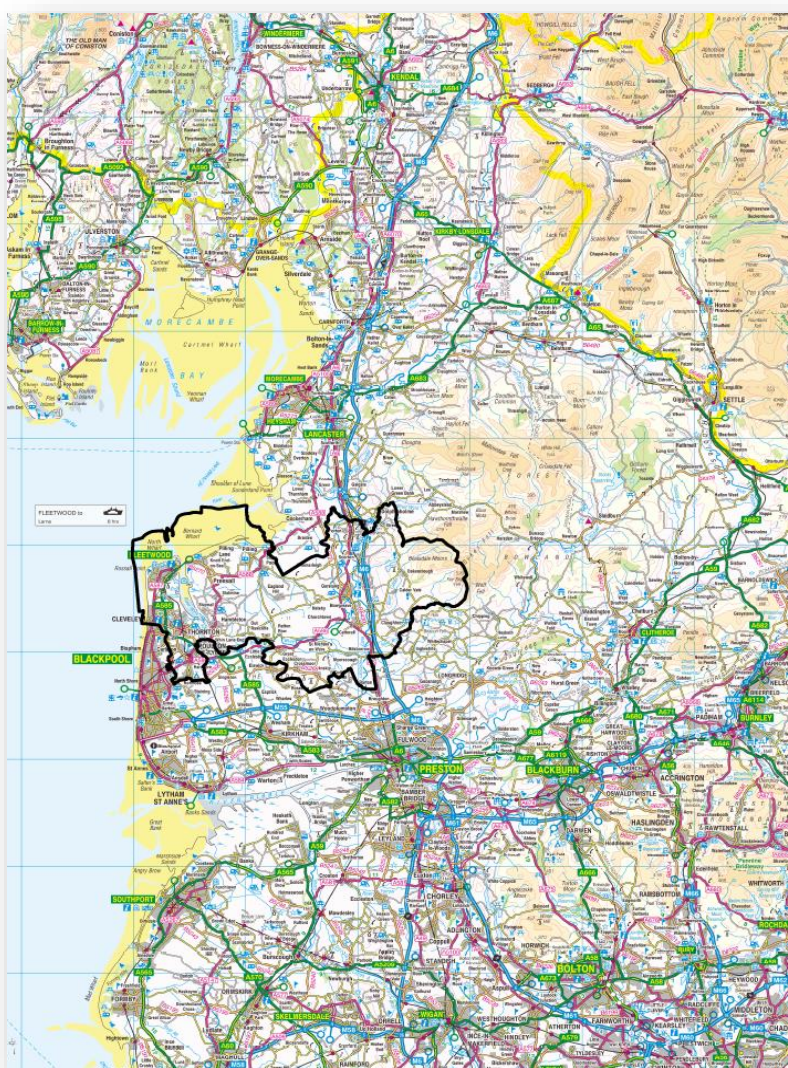
2.2.1 Wyre is a Lancashire coastal district bounded by the sea along parts of its western and northern boundaries. It shares a common land boundary with the City of Lancaster to the north, with the Boroughs of Ribble Valley, Preston and Fylde to the east and south respectively, and with Blackpool Unitary Authority along the remainder of its south western boundary.

2.2.2 Wyre itself is characterised by a distinct geographical polarity, with the urban areas concentrated in the west of the Borough, and an expanse of rural area to the East.

2.2.3 The urban area west of the River Wyre is on a peninsula situated in Morecambe Bay, and is comprised of the coastal towns of Fleetwood, Thornton, Cleveleys, and to the south, slightly inland, the market town of Poulton-le-Fylde.

2.2.4 The main rural area settlements of Wyre are the market town of Garstang, Great Eccleston, Catterall, Knott End-on-Sea, Preesall and Hambleton. The rural area is characterised by a large area of low-lying countryside and farmland scattered with small villages and hamlets, and

**FIGURE 2.1: WYRE COUNCIL**



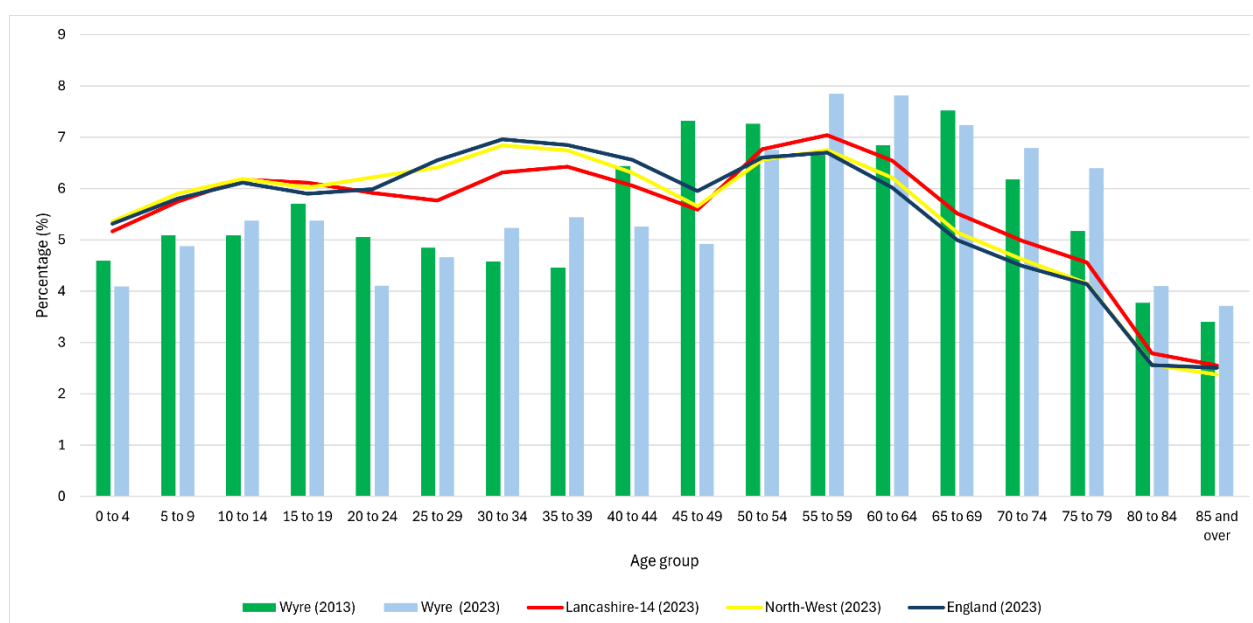
east of the M6, the Bowland Fells which is designated a National Landscape.

## 2.3 Current Population

2.3.1 The population of Wyre based on the mid-2023 estimates is 116,994. This represents a 4.5% increase from the 2021 Census figure of 111,946 and an 8.8% increase from the mid-2013 figure of 107,497. Population estimates are calculated through components on change against the previous year's estimate. The components of change consist of the net difference of births/deaths and internal/international migration. This is larger than the overall increase for Lancashire (6.8%) and England (7.0%) between 2013 and 2023.

2.3.2 Wyre's population age structure is somewhat different in comparison to Lancashire-14 (including Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool), the North West and England. Figure 2.2 illustrates how Wyre's population structure (mid-2013 and mid-2023) compares against Lancashire, the North West and England. Wyre has a larger proportion of residents over the age of 55 and lower proportions across all age groups under the age of 50. In comparison to the mid-2013 population estimates, the age groups have changed slightly; large decreases in age groups 20-24 and 40-49 and large increases in age groups 55-64 and 75-79.

**Figure 2.2: Population Structure, mid-2013 and mid-2023 (ONS)**



## 2.4 Population Projections

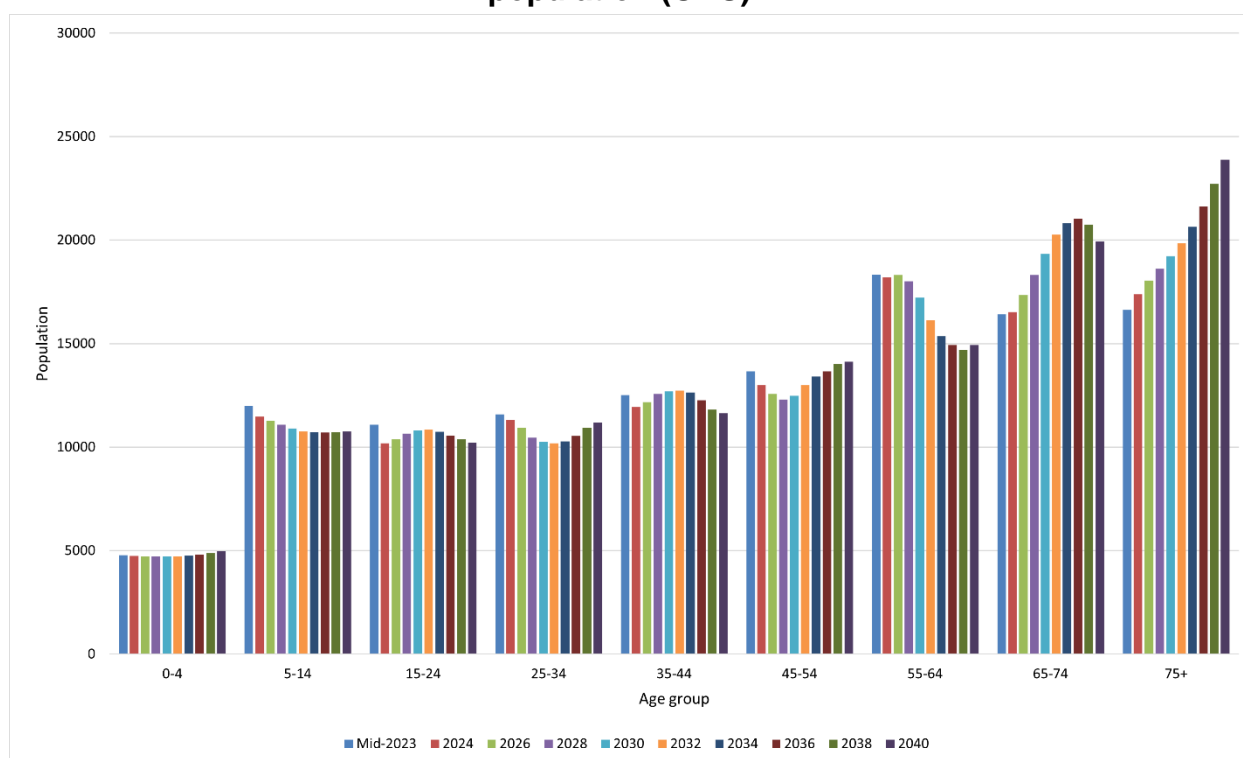
2.4.1 Table 2.1 shows the 2018-based population projection figures for Wyre, compared to regional and national figures. Wyre has a higher percentage rate of growth compared to Lancashire, and a similar rate of growth compared to the national figures. Wyre's population is projected to increase to approx. 121,660 by the year 2040.

**TABLE 2.1: LOCAL, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL POPULATION PROJECTIONS (ONS)**

Population projection (thousands) with % change								
	Wyre		Lancashire		North West		England	
Year	Population	% Increase	Population	% Increase	Population	% Increase	Population	% Increase
2024	114,740		1,244,648		7,481,035		57,816,890	
2026	115,755	0.88	1,254,291	0.77	7,532,383	0.69	58,297,244	0.83
2028	116,741	0.85	1,263,142	0.71	7,581,231	0.65	58,751,651	0.78
2030	117,659	0.79	1,271,144	0.63	7,627,756	0.61	59,181,798	0.73
2032	118,514	0.73	1,278,492	0.58	7,672,351	0.58	59,592,225	0.69
2034	119,349	0.70	1,285,125	0.52	7,715,545	0.56	59,988,992	0.67
2036	120,148	0.67	1,291,570	0.50	7,758,353	0.55	60,377,815	0.65
2038	120,928	0.65	1,297,908	0.49	7,801,681	0.56	60,766,253	0.64
2040	121,660	0.61	1,304,353	0.50	7,845,715	0.56	61,157,868	0.64

2.4.2 As shown in Figure 2.3, Wyre’s population is also projected to age considerably by the year 2040, especially the 75+ age group which has a significant projected increase of approx. 7,257 (representing a 43.6% increase) when compared to the mid-year population estimate for 2023. The age group 65-74 is also expected to increase considerably by approx. 3,538 (21.5%). The projections also indicate that the age groups 0-4 and 45-54 are set to increase slightly. The number of people aged 5-44 is expected to decrease slightly and the 55-64 age group is expected to see a significant decrease of approx. 3,396 (representing a 18.5% decrease when compared to mid-2023).

**Figure 2.3: 2018-based population projections compared to the mid-2023 population (ONS)**



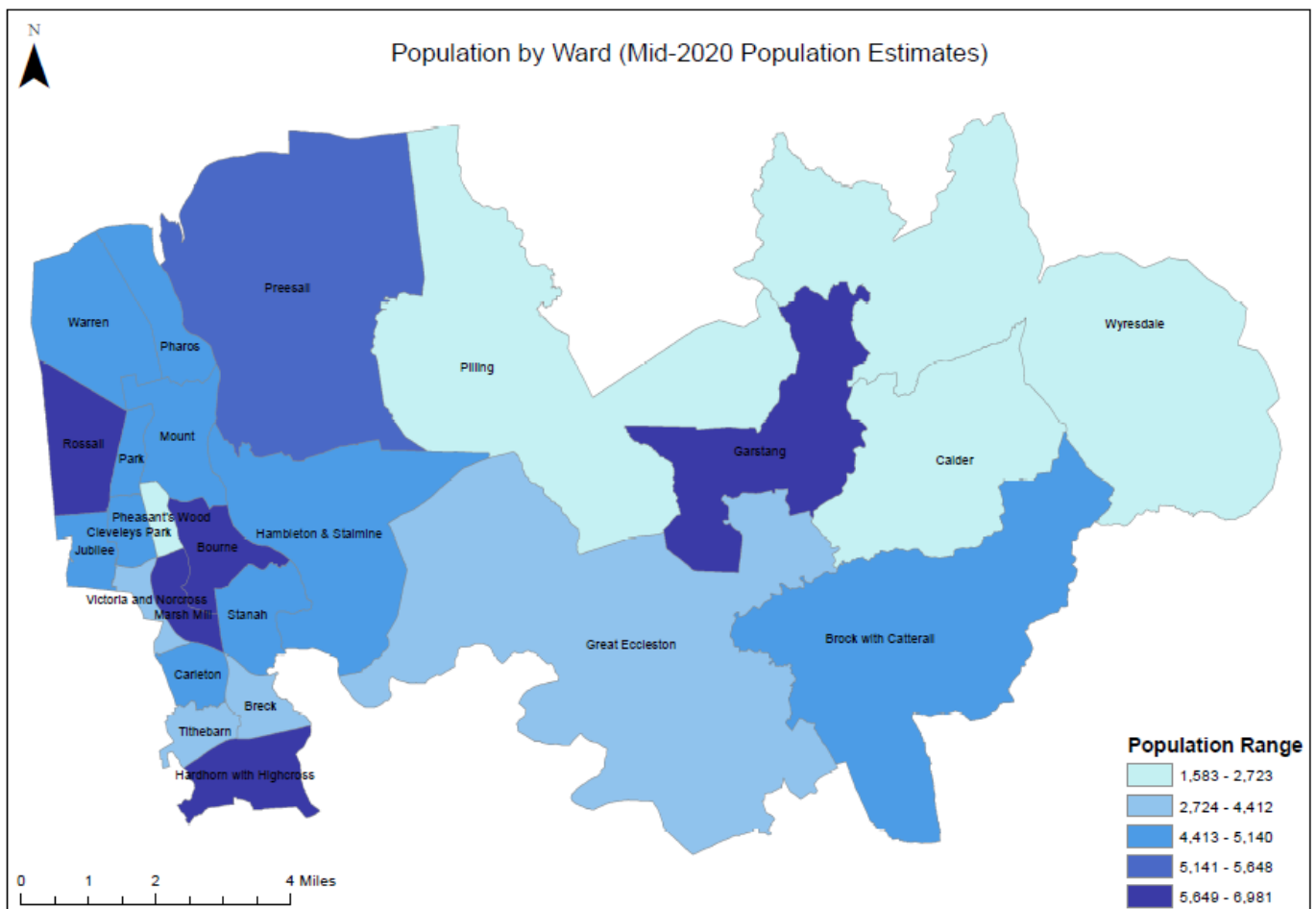
## 2.5 Population Density

2.5.1 Table 2.2 illustrates that Wyre has a lower population density compared to regional and national population densities. However, it must be noted that the population density in Wyre is unevenly distributed as illustrated in Figure 2.4. Most of the population is concentrated in the urban areas of Fleetwood, Cleveleys, Thornton and Poulton-le-Fylde and the market town of Garstang.

**TABLE 2.2: POPULATION DENSITY OF WYRE, MID-YEAR POPULATION ESTIMATES, 2023 (ONS)**

	Wyre	Lancashire	North West	England
<b>Population</b>	116,994	1,570,373	7,600,126	57,690,323
<b>Area (sq. km.)</b>	283	3,075	14,108	130,311
<b>Population per sq. km.</b>	413	511	539	443

**FIGURE 2.4: POPULATION BY WARD IN WYRE, MID-2020 (ONS)**

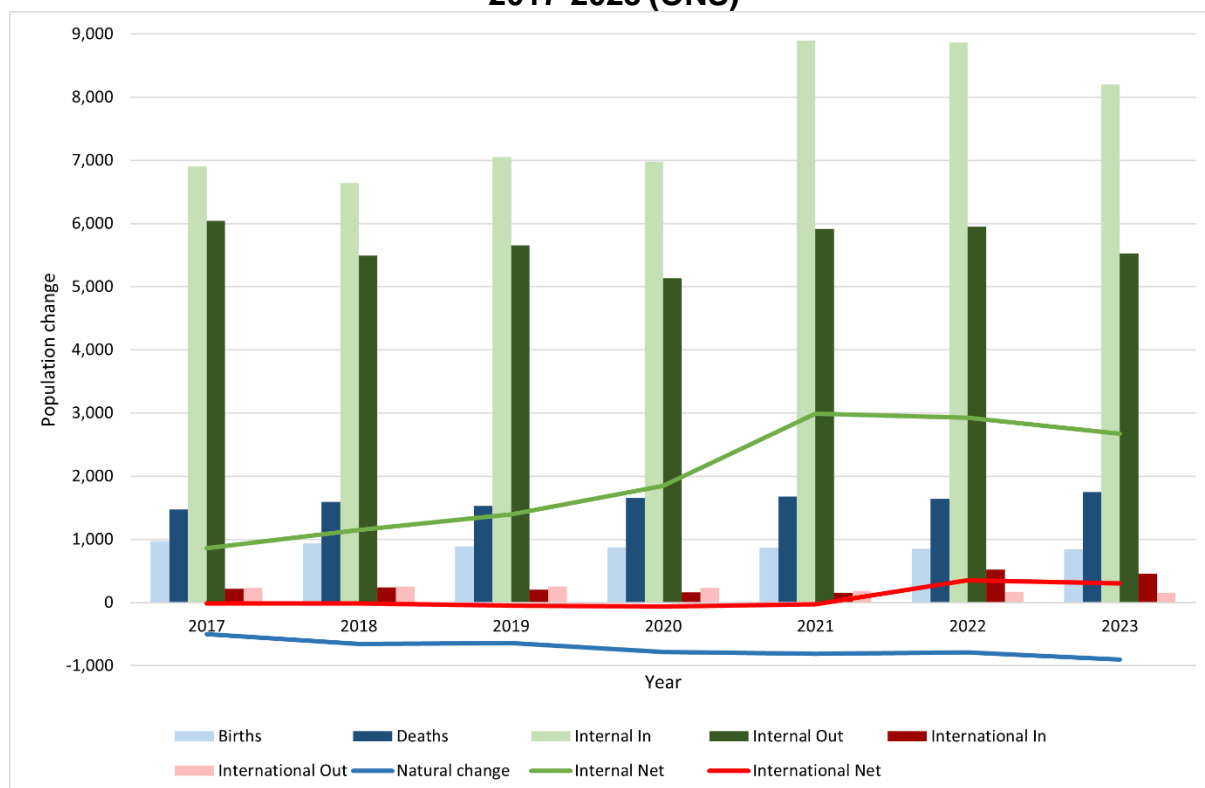


## 2.6 Migration and Natural Change

2.6.1 Figure 2.5 illustrates the rate of international and internal migration and the natural change within Wyre between 2017 and 2023. In 2023, there was a total net

gain of 2,973 in-migrants. Of that, 89.8% have moved from somewhere within the UK, and 10.2% from overseas.

**FIGURE 2.5: INTERNATIONAL AND INTERNAL MIGRATION AND NATURAL CHANGE IN WYRE, 2017-2023 (ONS)**



2.6.2 Between 2017 and 2023, there has been an increase in internal net and international net migration. Natural change has gradually decreased. In 2023, there were 848 births and 1,751 deaths in Wyre, resulting in a natural change of -903.

## 2.7 Ethnic composition

2.7.1 As Table 2.3 illustrates, Wyre has a much less ethnic diverse population when compared to Lancashire, the North West and England. The 2021 census indicated that Wyre has a higher proportion of white residents than in Lancashire, the North West and England. Although the ethnic diversity in Wyre was estimated to have increased slightly by 2021, the white population in Wyre remains at 16.5% higher than in England. All other groups in Wyre have a lower proportion when compared both regionally and nationally.

**TABLE 2.3: ETHNIC COMPOSITION (%), 2021 CENSUS COMPARED WITH THE 2011 CENSUS (ONS)**

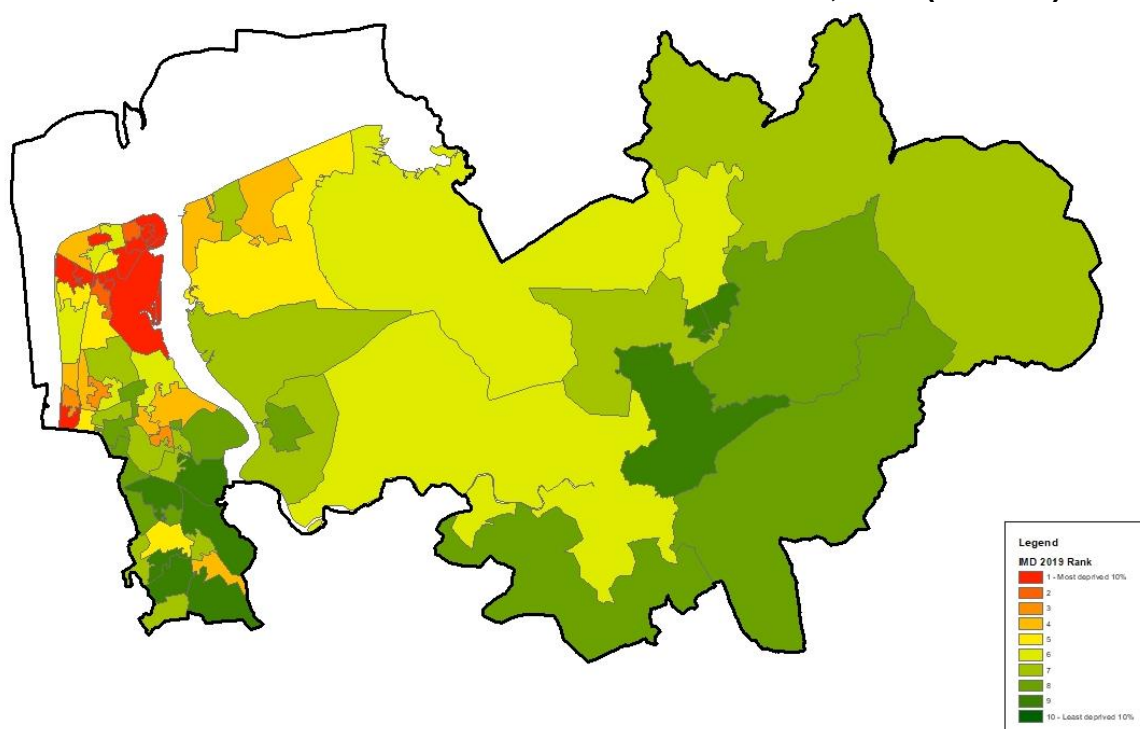
Ethnic Group	Wyre		Lancashire		North West		England	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
<b>White</b>	98.2	<b>97.5</b>	92.3	<b>88.9</b>	90.2	<b>85.6</b>	85.4	<b>81.0</b>
<b>Mixed/multiple ethnic group</b>	0.6	<b>1.0</b>	1.1	<b>1.6</b>	1.6	<b>2.2</b>	2.3	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Asian/Asian British</b>	0.9	<b>1.0</b>	6.1	<b>8.1</b>	6.2	<b>8.4</b>	7.8	<b>9.6</b>

<b>Black/African/Caribbean/ Black British</b>	0.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.6</b>	1.4	<b>2.3</b>	3.5	<b>4.2</b>
<b>Other ethnic group</b>	0.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.7</b>	0.6	<b>1.5</b>	1.0	<b>2.2</b>

## 2.8 Index of Multiple Deprivation

2.8.1 The Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) is a measure of the relative deprivation of areas at the Lower Super Output Area (LSOA) level. The concept is based on the idea of seven distinct domains of deprivation, which are experienced by individuals living in a area. The IMD is a weighted aggregation index of the relative deprivation of a area.

**FIGURE 2.6: INDICES OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (ALL IMD DOMAINS) FOR WYRE, LOWER SUPER OUTPUT AREAS BY RANKING POSITION IN ENGLAND, 2019 (MHCLG)**



2.8.2 Spatially, there is an inequality between urban and rural parts of the borough, with the more deprived areas being found exclusively in the urban areas. Figure 2.6 shows that whilst much of Wyre ranks in the least deprived areas of England with some areas, such as Garstang and parts of Poulton-le-Fylde, Thornton and Cleveleys ranking in the least deprived 10%. Several areas in Fleetwood are ranked amongst the most deprived 10% in England.

## 2.9 Conclusion

2.9.1 This chapter has outlined the key demographic issues for Wyre in terms of population and the need to monitor socio-cultural issues.

2.9.2 Wyre's population is projected to both increase and become considerably more aged over the coming years. This will have implications for the provision of housing and the necessary services. With the population ageing there will be a greater demand for local health services and service provision, and with large parts of the Borough



being rural, there is the potential for greater need of transportation services. With the younger population projected to decrease, this will bring new challenges that will have to be addressed especially in terms of retaining businesses and employment opportunities.

**2.9.3** In order to support the principles of sustainable development but also ensure that the development needs of the population of Wyre are met, a new settlement hierarchy was established as part of the Local Plan (adopted February 2019). The new settlement hierarchy is broadly in the form of a traditional hierarchy where the highest populated areas are at the higher end of the spectrum. As part of the Local Plan preparation, Wyre Council undertook a detailed settlement analysis to support the settlement hierarchy in the adopted Local Plan.

**2.9.4** The overarching aim is to promote sustainable growth whilst balancing environmental, social and economic considerations and creating sustainable communities in both urban and rural Wyre.

### **3 Economic Growth (Objective 1)**

#### **3.1 Introduction**

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 1 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully and monitors the performance of policies SP1, SP2, EP1, EP2, EP3 and EP8. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI1, PMI2, PMI3, PMI4 and PMI5. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 1 states:

*'To facilitate investment, job creation and sustainable economic growth in Wyre, supporting new and existing businesses across the Borough, the delivery of Hillhouse Technology EZ, farming and tourism development.'*

**3.1.1** Economic growth and performance are indicators of development, employment and industry policies implemented by Wyre Council. Sustainable economic growth and diversity is encouraged through national policy in order to enhance the vitality of urban centres, and facilitate diversification. As the term sustainable development suggests, the need or desire for growth must not be detrimental to quality of life and the environment.

**3.1.2** The Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) (Amendments) (England) Regulations 2020 came into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020. Use classes B1 no longer exists and a new class E (commercial, business and service) has been created. This subsumes A1 (shops), A2 (financial and professional services), A3 (restaurants and cafes) and B1 (business). The new use class E includes sub-category Class E(g) which corresponds with the previous use class B1. Use Class B2 and B8 remain.

**3.1.3** For the purposes of employment monitoring, we will continue to monitor use class B2 and B8, alongside the new use class E(g).

**3.1.4** At the time of writing the council is undertaking an update to its employment evidence, including a review of its employment land and its employment monitoring process. The commission is currently ongoing. The review and updated evidence is expected to be completed before the next monitoring year. It is intended that any outcomes of the updated evidence will be reflected in the next reporting year 2024/25.

#### **3.2 PMI1 & SAI6/3 - Available employment land, by area (ha)**

**3.2.1** Table 3.1 illustrates the available employment land on allocated sites in Wyre. As can be seen, there is a total of 30.76ha of available employment land available on allocated sites in Wyre.

**Table 3.1: Available employment land on allocated sites**

Site Reference	Site Name	Hectares (ha) available
SA2/1	Carrfield Works, Park Lane, Preesall Hill	0.34
SA2/2	Riverside Industrial Park Extension, Catterall	3.42
SA2/3	South of Goose Lane	1.00
SA3/1	Fleetwood Dock and Marina, Fleetwood	6.32
SA3/2	Joe Lane, Catterall	0.00
SA3/3	Land West of Great Eccleston, Great Eccleston	1.00
SA3/4	Forton Extension, Forton	1.00
SA3/5	Land West of the A6, Garstang	4.68
SA4	Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone, Thornton	13.00
<b>Total Employment land available on allocated sites</b>		<b>30.76</b>

3.2.2 In addition to this, there is also a total of 6.92ha of committed employment land on unallocated sites. Therefore, the overall employment land available across Wyre totals 37.86 ha (gross).

### 3.3 PMI2- Amount of gross employment land (ha) and net floorspace (sqm) developed by type

3.3.1 Table 3.2 indicates there has been 0ha (zero) take up (completions) on Allocated Sites.

**Table 3.2: Allocated Sites**

Allocation (employment area)	Gross Take Up (Ha)	Gross Take Up (Sqm)					Total Net Take Up (sqm)
		E(g)(i)	E(g)(ii)	E(g)(iii)	B2	B8	
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

3.3.2 Table 3.3 indicates there has been 0ha (zero) of new land take up in Existing Employment Areas, with one development totalling 2049 sqm (WY27) provided through intensification of an existing site.

**Table 3.3: Existing employment areas**

Existing Employment Area	Gross Take Up (Ha)	Gross Take Up (Sqm)					Total Net Take Up (sqm)
		E(g)(i)	E(g)(ii)	E(g)(iii)	B2	B8	
<b>Oakenclough Mill (WY27)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2049</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2049</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2049</b>

3.3.3 Table 3.4 indicates there has been zero (0) take up on Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone.

**Table 3.4: Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone**

Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone	Gross Take Up (Ha)	Gross Take Up (Sqm)					Total Net Take Up (sqm)
		E(g)(i)	E(g)(ii)	E(g)(iii)	B2	B8	
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

3.3.4 Table 3.5 indicates there has been 0.42ha take up (completions) on other sites in Wyre.

**Table 3.5: Other sites**

No. of Sites	Gross Take Up (Ha)	Gross Take Up (Sqm)					Total Net Take Up (sqm)
		E(g)(i)	E(g)(ii)	E(g)(iii)	B2	B8	
5	0.42	158	0	0	161	1965	<b>2284</b>

### 3.4 PMI3- Amount of gross employment land (ha) and net floorspace (sqm) with extant planning permission by type

3.4.1 Table 3.6 indicates that there is 7.68 gross hectares of land on allocated sites with extant planning permission. These sites are either not yet complete, some may be under construction, and others may not have been implemented.

**Table 3.6: Allocated Sites with extant planning permission**

Allocation (employment area)	Gross Commitment (Ha)	Gross Commitment (Sqm)					Total Net Commitment (sqm)
		E(g)(i)	E(g)(i)	E(g)(ii)	B2	B8	
<b>SA2/3*</b>	1.00	500	501	501	0	1,212	<b>2,714</b>
<b>SA3/3*</b>	1.00	445	445	444	1,333	1,333	<b>4,000</b>
<b>SA3/4*</b>	1.00	667	667	666	2,000	0	<b>4,000</b>
<b>SA3/5*</b>	4.68	3,120	3,120	3,120	0	9,360	<b>18,720</b>
<b>SA4</b>	0.00	47	0	0	420	847.2	<b>1,314.2</b>

Allocation (employment area)	Gross Commitment (Ha)	Gross Commitment (Sqm)					Total Net Commitment (sqm)
		E(g)(i)	E(g)(i)	E(g)(ii)	B2	B8	
<b>Total</b>	<b>7.68</b>	<b>4,779</b>	<b>4,733</b>	<b>4,731</b>	<b>3,753</b>	<b>12,752.2</b>	<b>30,748.2</b>

\*Some sites are also shown in Table 3.1 above as available land, as at the time of writing the permissions on these allocated sites have not been implemented.

3.4.2 Table 3.7 indicates that there is 0.45 gross hectares of land on existing employment areas with extant planning permission.

**Table 3.7: Existing Employment Areas (excluding allocations) with extant planning permission**

Existing Employment Area	Gross Commitment (Ha)	Gross Commitment (Sqm)					Total Net Commitment (sqm)
		E(g)(i)	E(g)(ii)	E(g)(iii)	B2	B8	
<b>Red Marsh Industrial Estate (WY07)</b>	0.00	0	0	0	0	582	<b>582</b>
<b>Copse Road (WY08)</b>	0.00	0	0	0	3,118	0	<b>3,118</b>
<b>Poulton Industrial Estate (WY11)</b>	0.00	0	0	465,710	0	370	<b>835.71</b>
<b>Sunny bank Industrial Estate (WY15)</b>	0.00	0	0	0	54	0	<b>54</b>
<b>Longacres Business Park</b>	0.00	0	0	0	0	120	<b>120</b>
<b>The Old Coal Yard (WY16)</b>	0.00	0	0	0	0	272	<b>272</b>

Existing Employment Area	Gross Commitment (Ha)	Gross Commitment (Sqm)					Total Net Commitment (sqm)
		E(g) (i)	E(g) (ii)	E(g) (iii)	B2	B8	
Taylor's Lane Industrial Estate (WY20)	0.20	0	0	0	0	506	506
Brockholes Industrial Estate (WY24)	0.25	0	0	0	0	1,054.8	1,054.8
Creamery Industrial Estate (WY25)	0.00	0	0	0	252	50	332
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.45</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>465.71</b>	<b>3,424</b>	<b>2,954.8</b>	<b>6,874.51</b>

3.4.3 Table 3.8 indicates that there is 0ha of land, and 1,314.2 sqm commitments with extant planning permission at Hillhouse Enterprise Zone. For completeness the figures for Hillhouse are also included in the allocated sites Table 3.6.

**Table 3.8: Hillhouse Enterprise Zone extant planning permission**

Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone	Gross Commitment (Ha)	Gross Commitment (Sqm)					Total Net Commitment (sqm)
		E(g) (i)	E(g) (ii)	E(g) (iii)	B2	B8	
SA4	0.00	47	0	0	420	847.2	1,314.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>847.2</b>	<b>1,314.2</b>

3.4.4 Table 3.9 indicates that there is 4.2 gross hectares of land, and 13,159.12 sqm, with extant planning permission on other sites that are not allocated or in existing employment areas.

**Table 3.9: Other sites with extant planning permission**

No. of Sites	Gross Take Up (Ha)	Gross Take Up (Sqm)					Total Net Take Up (sqm)
		E(g)(i)	E(g)(ii)	E(g)(iii)	B2	B8	
25	4.2	980	304	305	5,199.04	6,371.08	13,159.12

### 3.5PMI4 - Amount of gross employment land (Ha) and net floorspace (sqm) lost to alternative uses (non B use class)

3.5.1 Table 3.10 indicates the amount of gross employment land (Ha) and net floorspace (sqm) lost to alternative uses (non B use class) where data is available through monitoring planning permissions.

3.5.2 There has been 0.14ha of employment land lost to alternative uses and 919.8 net square metres lost to alternative uses. There have been two sites where there has been a change of use from B class to Sui Generis use, two sites where changes of use have been to Use class E(d) and one site where there has been a loss of B class to Use class C3.

3.5.3 However, the councils monitoring of planning permissions may not illustrate all losses that have occurred, such as where planning permission is not required e.g. permitted change of use.

**Table 3.10: Gross employment and net floorspace lost to alternative uses (non B use class)**

Application Number	Reference (if applicable)	Gross Loss (Ha)	Net Gross Loss (Ha)	Loss (gross sqm)					Total Loss (net sqm)
				E(g)(i)	E(g)(ii)	E(g)(iii)	B2	B8	
23/00589/FUL	WY02	0.017	0.017	72.8	0	0	0	0	72.8
23/00523/FUL	WY11	0.036	0.036	0	0	0	104	0	104
22/00779/FUL	WY08	0.03	0.03	0	0	0	255	0	255
22/01064/FUL	WY16	0.06	0.06	0	386	0	0	0	386
17/00650/FUL		0	0	102	0	0	0	0	102
<b>Total</b>		<b>0.14</b>	<b>0.14</b>	<b>174.8</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>919.8</b>

### 3.6PMI5 & SAI6/4 - Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation

3.6.1 From 2019 data, there were a total number of six (6) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation. Wards include: Rossall, Warren, Pharos, Mount, Park and Jubilee.

### 3.7 SAI6/5 – Employment land take up

3.7.1 Table 3.11 indicates the gross employment land take up. As can be seen, the total take up is at 21.00ha. The take up for 2023-24 is 0.42ha.

**Table 3.11: Employment land take up**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Allocated Sites</b>	<b>Existing Employment Areas (Unallocated Sites)</b>	<b>Other (Unallocated Sites)</b>	<b>Total Take Up (Ha)</b>
<b>2011-12</b>	2.74	0	0.02	2.76
<b>2012-13</b>	0	0	1.75	1.75
<b>2013-14</b>	0	0	0.40	0.40
<b>2014-15</b>	0	0.1	0.7	0.80
<b>2015-16</b>	0.84	0.35	0	1.19
<b>2016-17</b>	0.23	1.07	1.05	2.35
<b>2017-18</b>	0.46	0	2.90	3.36
<b>2018-19</b>	0	3.58	0.09	3.67*
<b>2019-20</b>	0	0	0.51	0.51
<b>2020-21</b>	0	0.1	0	0.1
<b>2021-22</b>	0	0	0.53	0.53
<b>2022-23</b>	1.18	0	1.98	3.16
<b>2023-24</b>	0	0	0.42	0.42
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.45</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>10.35</b>	<b>21.00</b>

\*Completions revised for 2018-19 due to a completion reporting delay.

### **3.8 Indicator Analysis**

3.8.1 Table 3.12 illustrates how local plan policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.



**Table 3.12: Economic Growth (Objective 1) Indicator Performance Analysis**

<b>Policies</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comparator / Target</b>	<b>2022/23 Output</b>	<b>2023/24 Output</b>	<b>Performance</b>
SP1 SP2	PMI 1 SAI 6/3	Available employment land, by area (ha)	Monitor availability	37.68ha	37.86	N/A
EP1 EP2 EP3 EP8	PMI 2	Amount of gross employment land (ha) and net floor space (sqm) developed, by type: a) on allocated employment sites (including mix use) b) in existing employment areas c) Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone d) Other	43 hectares (over plan period)	a) 1.18ha, 4764sqm b) Zero (0)ha, 1349sqm c) Zero (0) d) 1.98ha, 4274sqm	a) Zero (0) b) 0ha, 2049sqm c) Zero (0) d) 0.42ha, 2284sqm	Amber
	PMI 3	Amount of gross employment land (ha) and net floor space (sqm) with extant planning permission, by type: a) on allocated employment sited (including mix use) b) in existing employment areas c) Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone d) Other	To meet requirements	Data not available	a) 7.68 ha, 30,748.2 sqm b) 0.45 ha, 6874.51 sqm c) Zero (0) ha, 1,314.2 sqm d) 4.2 ha, 13,159.12 sqm	Amber
	PMI 4	Amount of gross employment land (ha) and net floor space (sqm) lost to alternative uses (non B use class): a) on allocated employment sites (including mix use) b) in existing employment areas	No overall loss	Please see para 3.4.1	Please see para 3.5.1	Red

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
		c) Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone d) Other				
	PMI 5 SAI 6/4	Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation	Decrease over plan period	6 Wards	6 Wards	Green
	SAI 6/5	Employment land take up	43 ha over plan period	3.16ha	0.42ha	Amber

### **3.9 Policy Conclusions**

**3.9.1** The 2023-24 report outlines that it is evident that the policies associated are not performing in terms of economic growth, as targets are set for the duration of the plan period. If the average per annum is taken into consideration, there is still under-delivery. However, during a future single monitoring year, there could be significant over-delivery to compensate for previous years deficits. Thus, potentially could mean targets can still be achieved.

**3.9.2** Wyre Council's retail and employment monitoring is currently under review and subject to change because of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended).

**3.9.3** At present, policies are not performing sufficiently in order to facilitate sustainable economic growth in Wyre.

## **4 Infrastructure Provision (Objective 2)**

### **4.1 Introduction**

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 2 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully and monitors the performance of policies SP1 and SP7. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI6 and PMI7. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 2 states:

*'To support education and skill development to give local people the opportunity to access jobs.'*

### **4.2 PMI6 - Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards education**

4.2.1 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a new charge that local authorities have the power to levy on most types of development to fund infrastructure required to support new growth such as transport, education, health and open space facilities. CIL chargers are based on the size and types of development proposed and are calculated as a charge per square metre.

4.2.2 Wyre council does not at present have an adopted CIL Charging Schedule. Therefore, there are currently no financial contributions through CIL within Wyre.

4.2.3 As part of the consideration of a planning application, section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 enables local authorities to negotiate with developers certain works, restrictions, or contributions towards a range of infrastructure and services, such as community facilities, public open space, transport improvements and/or affordable housing.

4.2.4 During 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024, three planning applications proposed £1,701,134.59 through S106 towards education.

### **4.3 PMI7 & SAI2/1 - Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for education, skills and training deprivation**

4.3.1 From 2019 data, there were a total number of six (6) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for education, skills and training deprivation. Wards included; Rossall, Warren, Pharos, Mount, Park and Jubilee.

### **4.4 SAI2/3 - % of working age residents with national vocational qualifications (NVQs)**

4.4.1 Qualifications data are only available for calendar year periods. From Jan to Dec 2021 and prior, qualifications were measured using the National Vocational Qualifications framework (NVQs). For Jan to Dec 2022 and onwards, qualifications are measured using the Registered Qualifications Framework (RQFs).

4.4.2 Table 4.1 illustrates the number and % of residents aged 16-64 who are qualified at a particular level and above during the time period January 2023 to December 2023.

**Table 4.1: Wyre Residents with Registered Qualifications Framework (RQFs), Jan 2023 - Dec 2023 (ONS)**

	Wyre (Number)	Wyre (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
RQF4 and above	26,100	42.1	44.4	47.3
RQF3 and above	34,300	55.5	65.8	67.8
RQF2 and above	49,700	80.3	86.6	86.5
RQF1 and above	54,000	87.3	89.6	89.0
Other qualifications	5,500	8.8	3.6	4.6
No qualifications	!	!	6.7	6.5

! Estimate is not available since sample size is disclosive.

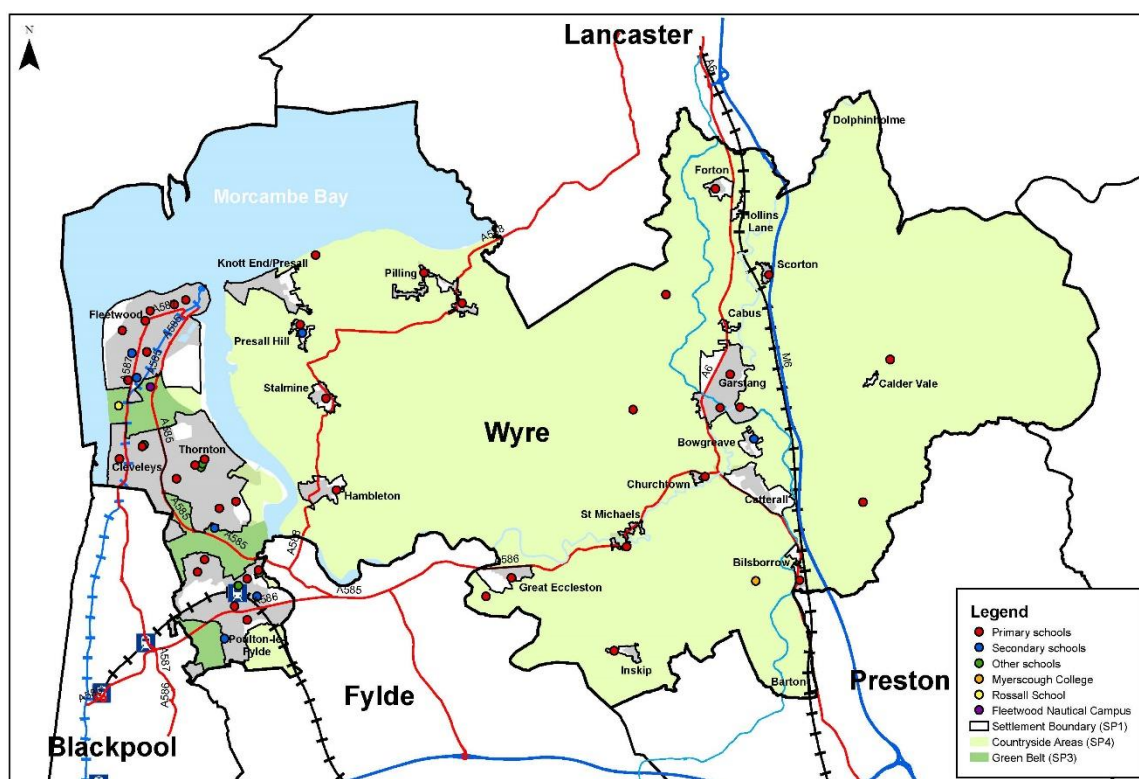
# Sample size too small for reliable estimate.

Numbers and % are for those aged 16-64.

#### 4.5 SAI2/2 – Location and number of school places available

4.5.1 Figure 4.1 illustrates the location of primary, secondary, and other schools, as well as identifying Myerscough College, Rossall School and Fleetwood Nautical Campus. There are 41 primary schools, 7 secondary schools and 6 other schools.

**Figure 4.1: Location of schools in Wyre**



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4.5.2 The Lancashire “School Place Provision Strategy 2022-2025”<sup>1</sup> outlines the short, medium and long-term delivery strategy for Lancashire schools, in order to ensure the right number of school places, in the right areas, at the right time to meet need.

4.5.3 . Table 4.2 below summaries its findings for Wyre.

4.5.4 The strategy outlines areas of growth and reduction in need for both primary and secondary areas. It outlines the following for primary areas:

- Fleetwood – Area of reduction
- Calder Vale & Claughton - Area of reduction
- Garstang & surrounding area – Hotspot
- Poulton-le-Fylde – Hotspot

**Table 4.2: Delivery, Phase and summary of contribution (LCC)**

<b>Delivery</b>	<b>Phase</b>	<b>Summary of contribution</b>
<b>Short Term</b>	Primary	N/A
<b>Short Term</b>	Secondary	N/A
<b>Medium Term</b>	Primary	N/A
<b>Medium Term</b>	Secondary	N/A
<b>Long Term: Local Plans</b>	Primary	New primary school sites are being sought in the Garstang area, Thornton Cleveleys, Great Eccleston and Poulton-Le-Fylde to address demand from new housing.
<b>Long Term: Local Plans</b>	Secondary	Education contributions are being sought for existing secondary school expansions in conjunction with multiple developments in Wyre

#### 4.6 SAI6/1 – Employment and unemployment

4.6.1 Table 4.3 illustrates Wyre’s employment and unemployment figures between April 2023 and March 2024. As can be seen, Wyre has a higher percentage (89.9%) of economically active people than regionally (76.8%) and nationally (78.6%).

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<sup>1</sup> Lancashire School Place Provision Strategy 2022-2025  
<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/strategies-policies-plans/children-education-and-families/school-place-provision-strategy/>

**Table 4.3: Employment and unemployment in Wyre, North West and Great Britain, April 2023 – March 2024 (ONS)**

	Wyre	Wyre (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
Economically Active*	59,300	89.9	76.8	78.6
In employment*	55,800	84.4	73.2	75.5
Employees*	51,700	78.8	65.9	66.1
Self Employed*	#	#	7.2	9.2
Unemployed (aged 16 and over)	1,900	3.1	4.4	3.7

\*Numbers are for those aged 16 and over, % are for those aged 16-64.

# Sample size too small for reliable estimate

#### 4.7 SAI6/2 – Percentage of employment and occupation

4.7.1 Table 4.4 illustrates Wyre’s employment by occupation between April 2023 and March 2024. As can be seen, Wyre had a higher percentage of groups 1, 3, 6, 7 and 8 than the regionally and nationally.

**Table 4.4: Employment and occupations in Wyre, April 2023 – March 2024 (ONS)**

	Wyre	Wyre (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
1) Managers, Directors and Senior Officials	12,200	21.8	9.6	10.8
2) Professional Occupations	9,800	17.6	25.2	26.6
3) Associate Professional Occupations	10,800	19.4	15.3	15.3
4) Administrative and Secretarial Occupations	3,400	6.1	10.7	9.6
5) Skilled Trades Occupations	!	!	8.1	8.7
6) Caring, Leisure and other Service Occupations	6,100	10.9	9.0	8.2
7) Sales and Customer Service Occupations	5,100	9.2	7.0	6.2
8) Process, Plant & Machine Operatives	3,700	6.7	5.6	5.4
9) Elementary Occupations	!	!	9.2	9.0

! Estimate is not available since sample size is disclosive.

Numbers and % are for those aged 16+.

#### 4.8 Indicator Analysis

4.8.1 Table 4.5 illustrates how local plan policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.

**Table 4.5: Infrastructure Provision (Objective 2) Indicator Performance Analysis**

<b>Policies</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comparator / Target</b>	<b>2022/23 Output</b>	<b>2023/24 Output</b>	<b>Performance</b>
<b>SP1 SP7</b>	PMI 6	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards education	Monitor contributions	£91,552.68	£1,701,134.59	N/A
	PMI 7 SAI 2/1	Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for education, skills and training deprivation	Decrease	6 Wards	6 Wards	Green
	SAI2/3	% of working age residents with national vocational qualifications (NVQs)	Monitor change	RQF1 and above = 56,100	RQF1 and above = 54,000	N/A
	SAI2/2	Location and number of school places available	Monitor change	See table 4.2.	See table 4.2.	N/A
	SAI6/1	Employment and unemployment	Monitor change	In employment = 42,400 Unemployed = 2,100	In employment = 55,800 Unemployed = 1,900	N/A



Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
	SAI6/2	Percentage of employment and occupation	Monitor change	See para 4.7.1	See para 4.7.1	N/A

## **4.9 Policy Conclusions**

**4.9.1** The number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for education, skills and training deprivation has not decreased, however, the data is released on a 4-year cycle, and so a conclusion cannot be drawn until the next release.

**4.9.2** The number of people in employment has increased. There has also been an decrease in the number of people who are unemployed. Wyre has a higher percentage of people in managerial occupations than the regional and national figures.

**4.9.3** It is evident that the development plan (SP1) is providing opportunities for local people to access jobs. Financial contributions (SP7) are also ensuring that education needs are being supported locally. Policies will be continually reviewed.

## **5 Housing (Objective 3)**

### **5.1 Introduction**

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 3 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully and monitors the performance of policies SP1, SP2, SP7, HP1, HP2, HP3, HP7, HP8 and HP10. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI8, PMI9, PMI10, PMI11, PMI12, PMI13, PMI14, PMI15 and PMI16. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 3 states:

*'To help meet the needs of all Wyre's population; provide choice in terms of type and tenure in both market and affordable sectors that meet the requirements of young people, families and older people.'*

### **5.2 PMI8 - 5 year supply of deliverable housing**

**5.2.1** In accordance with the National Planning Practice Guidance (PPG)<sup>2</sup> and National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) §76, the council is not currently required to publish an annual report to demonstrate a 5 year housing land supply for decision making purposes. This is because the adopted Wyre Local Plan is less than 5 years old and at the time the examination of the local plan concluded, the council were able to identify at least a 5 year supply of specific deliverable sites. Therefore, the latest available evidence on housing delivery is that set out in the council's Housing Monitoring Report (HMR) 2023.

**5.2.2** The council's HMR 2023 demonstrates a deliverable housing land supply position of **11.38 years**. Table 5.1 outlines the calculation which was completed in accordance with published national guidance and policies as at April 2023.

**Table 5.1 - 5 Year housing land supply calculation**

<b>Five year housing supply calculation</b>	<b>Number of dwellings</b>
<b>A.</b> Five year requirement (296 x 5)	1,480
<b>B.</b> Completions since 1 April 2011	4,958
<b>C.</b> Shortfall since 2011 [(479 x 8) + (296 x 4) – 4,958]	58
<b>D.</b> 58 ÷ 8 years remaining of plan period	7.25

<sup>2</sup> 'Housing Supply and Delivery' Paragraph: 004 Reference ID: 68-004-20240205

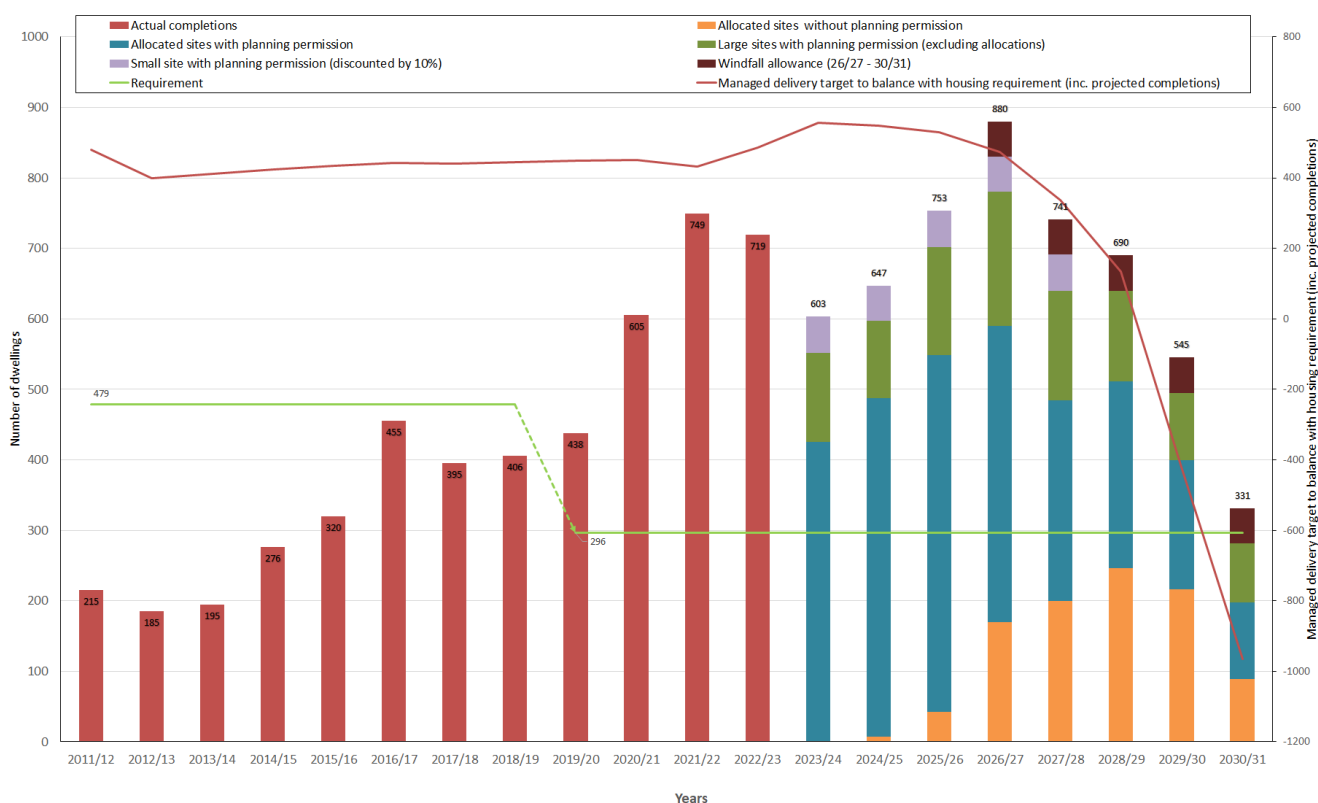
Five year housing supply calculation	Number of dwellings
E. Annual requirement (7.25) x 5 years	36.25
F. Five year requirement with shortfall (1,480 + 36.25)	1,516.25
G. 5% buffer (1,516.25 x 5%)	75.81
H Five year requirement with shortfall + 5% buffer (1,516.25 +75.81)	1,592.06
I. Annual five year requirement (1,592.06 ÷ 5 years)	318.41
J. Total supply deliverable in 5 years	3,624
<b>K. Supply in years (3,624 ÷ 318.41)</b>	<b>11.38 years</b>

5.2.3 Further information can be found on the council website here - <https://www.wyre.gov.uk/evidence-monitoring-information/housing-evidence/3>

### 5.3 PMI9 - Housing Trajectory

5.3.1 Figure 5.1 illustrates that the status and breakdown of housing supply for the borough as at April 2023. The number of dwellings completed in the year 2023-2024 is 663 and there has been 5,621 net completions since 2011.

**Figure 5.1: Housing Trajectory at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**



### 5.4 PMI10 & SAI4/1 - Net additional dwellings on each housing allocation

5.4.1 The total net additional dwellings built in Wyre between 1 April 2011 and 31 March 2024 was 5,621. In the year 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 there were 663 net new dwellings completed.

5.4.2 Table 5.2 identifies net additional dwellings on each housing allocation as at 31 March 2024. This table does not include mixed use sites.

**Table 5.2: Net additional dwellings on housing allocations**

Site Ref	Site Name	Number of dwellings allocated to be delivered by 2031	Number of dwellings expected to be delivered by 2031	Number of dwellings with extant permission at 31.03.24	Dwellings completed as at 31.03.24
SA1/1	West of Broadway, Fleetwood	25	25	44	12
SA1/2	Lambs Road/Raikes Road, Thornton	360	360	461	156
SA1/3	Land between Fleetwood Rd North and	153	153	158	0

Site Ref	Site Name	Number of dwellings allocated to be delivered by 2031	Number of dwellings expected to be delivered by 2031	Number of dwellings with extant permission at 31.03.24	Dwellings completed as at 31.03.24
	Pheasant Wood, Thornton				
SA1/4	South East Poulton, Poulton-le-Fylde	236	236	208	<b>15</b>
SA1/5	Land at Garstang Road, Poulton-le-Fylde	516	516	522	<b>376</b>
SA1/6	Land South of Blackpool Road, Poulton-le-Fylde	300	300	290	<b>117</b>
SA1/7	South Stalmine, Stalmine	180	180	293	<b>94</b>
SA1/8	North of Garstang Road, Pilling	40	40	40	<b>36</b>
SA1/9	North of Norcross Lane, Norcross	300	300	332	<b>223</b>
SA1/10	Land at Arthurs Lane, Hambleton	165	165	201	<b>69</b>
SA1/11	Inskip Extension, Inskip	85	85	85	<b>85</b>
SA1/12	North of New Holly Hotel and Bodkin Cottage, Hollins Lane	38	38	38	<b>38</b>
SA1/13	Land East of Hollins Lane, Hollins Lane	51	51	60	<b>60</b>
SA1/14	West of Cockerham Road, Garstang	260	260	0	<b>0</b>
SA1/15	Land South of Prospect Farm, West of the A6, Garstang	70	70	70	<b>58</b>
SA1/16	South of Kepple Lane, Garstang	125	125	120	<b>67</b>
SA1/17	Bowgreave House Farm, Bowgreave	27	27	27	<b>27</b>
SA1/18	Garstang Road, Bowgreave	46	46	46	<b>46</b>
SA1/19	Land South of Calder House Lane, Bowgreave	45	45	44	<b>44</b>
SA1/20	Garstang Country Hotel and Golf Course, Bowgreave	95	95	87	<b>87</b>
SA1/21	Daniel Fold Farm, Daniel Fold Lane, Catterall	117	117	130	<b>130</b>

Site Ref	Site Name	Number of dwellings allocated to be delivered by 2031	Number of dwellings expected to be delivered by 2031	Number of dwellings with extant permission at 31.03.24	Dwellings completed as at 31.03.24
SA1/22	Daniel Fold Farm Phase 2, Daniel Fold Lane, Catterall	66	66	80	<b>46</b>
SA1/23	Land off Garstang Road, Barton	72	72	74	<b>74</b>
SA1/24	Land Rear of Shepherds Farm, Barton	34	34	34	<b>0</b>
SA1/25	Land Rear of 867 Garstang Road, Barton	26	26	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>3,432</b>	<b>3,432</b>	<b>3,444</b>	<b>1,692</b>

## 5.5 PMI11 & SAI4/3 - Percentage and number of affordable homes, by type and settlement

5.5.1 The total number of affordable home completions in 2023-24 was 271 gross/ 270 net.

5.5.2 Table 5.3 illustrates sites that have contributed to the affordable housing completions. The table shows gross figures.

**Table 5.3: Sites contributing to affordable housing completions 2023-24**

		Units completed	No. of beds			
			1	2	3	4
1357A SA1/5	Garstang Road East, Poulton	24		14	10	
2260A SA4	Former Football Club, Bourne Road, Thornton	1		1		
2261B	North of Bourne Road, Thornton	87	20	25	40	2
2691C SA3/3	South of West End, Great Eccleston	4			4	
2726A SA1/2	East of Lambs Road, Thornton	26	12	9	5	
2727	North of Rosemount Avenue, Preesall	42		6	23	13

2736B SA1/11	South of Preston Road, Inskip	3		1	2	
2760 SA1/10	Land off Arthurs Lane, Hambleton	24		16	8	
2770 SA1/22	Daniel Fold Farm (Phase 2), Daniel Fold Lane, Catterall	14		6	8	
2776 SA1/4	Land off Holts Lane, Poulton	4	4			
2813 SA1/1	West of Broadway, Fleetwood	12		7	4	1
2815 SA1/6	Blackpool Road, Poulton	21		12	9	
2818 SA1/15	Prospect Farm, A6, Garstang	9		3	6	
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>16</b>

5.5.3 During the 2023-24 monitoring year, there was one planning application which proposed £44,436.00 through S106 towards affordable housing.

### 5.6 PMI12 - Percentage and number of dwellings providing housing for older people and people with restricted mobility

5.6.1 By 2040, the population aged 65 or over in Wyre is projected to reach 43,828, the largest number of any Lancashire authority. It is therefore essential to provide housing for older people and people with restricted mobility.

5.6.2 Policy HP2 of the adopted Local Plan advises at least 20% of dwellings within developments of 20 dwellings and above should be of a design suitable or adaptable for older people and people with restricted mobility. 2023-24 has been the fifth full monitoring year since the original adoption of the Local Plan (February 2019) and six planning applications have been approved in that time for developments of 20 new build dwellings and above.

5.6.3 All six of the approvals are required either to provide by condition at least 20% housing suitable for the elderly and people with restricted mobility or have an age-related condition and four provided more than required (100%, 54%, 33% and 22.7%). In addition, during 2023-24, Planning Committee resolved to approve two further applications with a recommendation to attach a planning condition for the provision of at least 20% housing suitable for the elderly and people with restricted mobility.

5.6.4 In total in 2023-24, planning approval was granted on developments of 20 dwellings and above for 245 dwellings for older people and people with restricted mobility.



## 5.7PMI13 and SAI4/2 - Net additional dwellings, by size, type and tenure

5.7.1 Local plan policy HP2 states that proposed developments should provide an appropriate mix of housing in terms of size, type, tenure of housing, in accordance with the most up-to-date Strategic Housing Market Assessment and Rural Affordable Housing Needs Survey.

5.7.2 Table 5.4 demonstrates the size and tenure of the 663 net completions in 2023-2024 against the implied size of housing required, as set out in the Wyre Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) published May 2024.

**Table 5.4: Net additional dwellings by type and tenure**

Size	Market Housing					Affordable Housing					Total Housing (regardless of tenure)				
	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4/4+ bed	Total	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4/4+ bed	Total	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4/4+ bed	Total
No.	37	50	128	178	393	35	100	119	16	270	72	150	247	194	663
%	9%	13%	33%	45%		13%	37%	44%	6%		11%	23%	37%	29%	
<i>HNA 2024 Market Housing</i>	5%	45%	40%	10%											
<i>HNA 2024 Aff. Home Ownership</i>						20%	55%	20%	5%						
<i>HNA 2024 Aff. Hsg rented – General</i>						20%	35%	35%	10%						
<i>HNA 2024 Aff. Hsg rented – Older Persons</i>						50%	50%								

5.7.3 With reference to the type of housing completed in the monitoring period, Table 5.5 illustrates the variety in the 663 net completions.

**Table 5.5: Variety of net completions**

Dwelling Type	Number of completions in 2023-24
Detached	235
Semi Detached	209

Dwelling Type	Number of completions in 2023-24
Terraced	84
Flat	90
Bungalow	45
<b>Total</b>	<b>663</b>

## **5.8 PMI14 & SAI4/6 - Amount of permanent and transit pitch provision for gypsies and travellers**

5.8.1 Evidence on the amount of permanent and transit pitch provision for gypsies and travellers has been recently reviewed and published in The Fylde Coast Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showperson Accommodation Assessment 2023/24 (GTAA). The report provides the latest available evidence to identify the accommodation needs of Gypsies and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople across Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre boroughs. The GTAA 2023/24 assesses the overall need for pitches for Gypsies and Travellers from 2022/23 and 2039/40. As with the previous report, it indicated there is currently no need for permanent pitches in Wyre for Gypsies and Travellers over the assessment period.

5.8.2 The report recommended that the three Fylde Coast councils should consider identifying areas of land across the Fylde Coast that could be used for transit provision to accommodate Travellers passing through the Fylde Coast.

## **5.9 PMI15 & SAI4/7 - Amount of permanent plot provision for travelling show people**

5.9.1 Travelling show people have specific accommodation requirements. The evidence for the current Local Plan showed that the Local Plan needed to make provision for 20 plots to meet accommodation needs for Travelling Show People for the period up to 2031. Policy SA6 allocated land at North Garstang for travelling show people.

5.9.2 This allocation, SA6, Land at Conway, West of the A6, Garstang, has 2.43 hectares available and has a capacity of 20 plots. The site is now occupied by Travelling Show people.

5.9.3 The updated evidence presented in the GTAA 2023/24 assesses the overall need for Travelling Showpeople plots from 2022/23 to 2039/40. For Wyre, it indicates there is need for 13 plots over that period for Travelling Showpeople.

## **5.10 PMI16 - Number of buildings converted in to Houses of Multiple Occupancy (HMOs)**

During the monitoring period, there were two planning permission granted to convert a building into a HMO. For more details, please see planning permission 23/00646/FUL and 23/00764/FUL.

### 5.11 SAI4/5 - Percentage of vacant dwellings (C3)

5.11.1 Table 5.6 illustrates that in 2023, 890 homes in Wyre were vacant, representing 1.6% of the total dwelling stock. This is lower than the Lancashire-14 (3.4%) and England (2.8%) figures.

5.11.2 Wyre had 15 less vacant dwellings compared to 2022 (905). This equates to an 1.7% decrease in vacant dwellings.

**Table 5.6: Vacant dwellings (C3) in Wyre, Lancashire and England (DLUHC)**

	Wyre		Lancashire-14		England	
	No.	% Dwellings Vacant	No.	% Dwellings Vacant	No.	% Dwellings Vacant
<b>Empty Homes</b>	890	1.6	23,966	3.4	699,126	2.8

### 5.12 Indicator Analysis

5.12.1 Table 5.7 illustrates how local plan policies perform against indicators where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.

**Table 5.7: Housing (Objective 3) Indicator Performance Analysis**

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
SP1 SP2 SP7  HP1 HP2 HP3 HP4 HP8 HP10	PMI 8	5 year supply of deliverable housing	100% as set out in the latest Housing Evidence	11.38 years	In accordance with national policy and guidance, there is no current requirement to identify a 5 year supply	N/A
	PMI 9	Housing Trajectory a) completions in previous years (since 2011) b) completions in reporting year c) extant planning permission from current year (up to 2031) d) managed delivery target	9,215 homes in the plan period (2011-2031)	a) 4,958 b) 719 c) 603 (current year) see graph for future years d) 5,190	a) 5,621 b) 663 c) and d) see Fig. 5.1	Green
	PMI 10 SAI 4/1	Net additional dwellings on each housing allocation a) completions since 2011 b) with extant planning permission	Monitor take up	a) 1,859 b) 2,695	a) 2,186 b) 4,503 (includes mixed use development sites)	N/A
	PMI 11 SAI 4/3	Percentage and number of affordable homes, by type and settlement a) completed annually (net) b) with extant planning permission c) financial contributions	Measure % against local plan policy standards, by settlement	a) 107 b) N/A c) £139,485.00	a) 270 b) N/A c) £44,436.00	N/A

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
	PMI 12	Percentage and number of dwellings providing housing for older people and people with restricted mobility	20% of 20+ dwellings	See para 5.6.2	See para 5.6.2	Green
	PMI 13 SAI 4/2	Net additional dwellings, by size, type and tenure	Monitor change	See para 5.7.2	See para 5.7.2	N/A
	PMI 14 SAI 4/6	Amount of permanent and transit pitch provision for gypsies and travellers	Monitor take up	No need identified	No need identified	N/A
	PMI 15 SAI 4/7	Amount of permanent plot provision for travelling show people	To meet locally identified need	20 plots delivered	20 plots delivered	N/A
	PMI 16	Number of buildings converted in to Houses of Multiple Occupancy (HMOs)	Monitor take up	1	2	N/A
	SAI 4/5	Percentage of vacant dwellings (C3)	Decrease	1.7% (905 dwellings)	1.6% (890 dwellings)	Green

### **5.13 Policy Conclusions**

5.13.1 Wyre can demonstrate a 5-year housing land supply. The authority has provided 663 net new homes, 270 of which are affordable homes, and has met the annual requirement of 296 homes. This confirms that policies are being implemented correctly to ensure the needs of the population are being met.

5.13.2 It is also promising to see that allocated sites are continuing to come forward across Wyre, with extant permission to deliver 4,503 homes, including 2,186 dwellings already delivered, thus far on housing and mixed-use allocations.

5.13.3 For more detailed housing monitoring and information, it is advised to review other evidence base documents, which outline Wyre Council's most recent housing position. Further information can be found here - <https://www.wyre.gov.uk/homepage/36/evidence-monitoring-and-information>

## **6 Town, District and Local Centres (Objective 4)**

### **6.1 Introduction**

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 4 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully and monitors the performance of policies SP2, EP4, EP5, EP6, EP7 and EP8. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI 5, PMI17, PMI 18, PMI 19 and PMI 20. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 4 states:

*'To help meet the diverse needs for services and facilities, as close to where they arise as possible, and ensure thriving and vibrant town, district and local centres serving the local community and visitors.'*

### **6.2 PMI5 and SAI6/4 - Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation**

6.2.1 From 2019 data, there were a total number of six (6) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation. Ward include: Rossall, Warren, Pharos, Mount, Park and Jubilee.

### **6.3 PMI17, PMI18 and SAI6/6 - Net additional retail floorspace developed and with extant planning permission**

6.3.1 This indicator will be introduced during the plan period as and when data becomes available. Retail monitoring is currently under review.

### **6.4 PMI19 - Changes to defined primary and secondary shopping frontages**

6.4.1 Changes to defined primary and secondary shopping frontages will only be determined once future retail monitoring takes place. Future AMRs will identify changes.

6.4.2 Therefore, there have been no changes to defined primary and secondary shopping frontages.

### **6.5 PMI20 - Ground floor vacancy rates for Cleveleys, Fleetwood, Garstang, Poulton-le-Fylde and Thornton**

Table 6.1 compares town centre vacancy rates between January 2023 and March 2024. As can be seen, there has been an increase in the vacancy rate for Cleveleys and Fleetwood but a decrease for Garstang and Poulton-le-Fylde. The average has increased by 1.14%. Shop counts are no longer carried out in Thornton, so there is no data for March 2024.

**Table 6.1: Ground floor vacancy rates in Wyre, 2023-2024**

Town Centre	January 2023 Vacancy Rate (%)	March 2024			Vacancy Rate Difference
		Total Units	Empty	Vacancy Rate (%)	
Cleveleys	8.06	349	34	9.74	1.68
Fleetwood	12.99	251	43	17.13	4.24
Garstang	10.06	160	8	5.00	-5.06
Poulton-le-Fylde	7.43	173	10	5.78	-1.65
Thornton	2.83	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Average</b>	<b>8.27</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>9.41</b>	<b>1.14</b>

## 6.6 Indicator Analysis

6.6.1 Table 6.2 illustrates how local plan policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.



**Table 6.2: Town, District and Local Centres (Objective 4) Indicator Performance Analysis**

<b>Policies</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comparator / Target</b>	<b>2021/22 Output</b>	<b>2022/23 Output</b>	<b>Performance</b>
SP2	PMI 5 SAI 6/4	Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation	Decrease over plan period	6 Wards	6 Wards	Green
EP4 EP5 EP6 EP7 EP8	PMI 17 SAI 6/6	Net additional retail floorspace developed, by type: a)in town centres b)in primary shopping areas c)in district, local and neighbourhood centres d)other	Monitor take up	Data not available	Data not available	N/A
	PMI 18 SAI 6/6	Net additional retail floorspace with extant planning permission a)in town centres b)in primary shopping areas c)in district, local and neighbourhood centres d)other	Monitor take up	Data not available	Data not available	N/A
	PMI 19	Changes to defined primary and secondary shopping frontages	Monitor change	No Change	No Change	N/A
	PMI 20	Ground floor vacancy rates for Cleveleys, Fleetwood, Garstang, Poulton-le-Fylde and Thornton	Monitor change	Average = 8.27	Average = 9.41	N/A

## **6.7 Policy Conclusions**

**6.7.1** The number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation remains at 6 wards. This is not an accurate reflection of the policies as the data is released on a 4-year cycle and the latest release was in September 2019.

**6.7.2** Wyre Council's retail and employment monitoring is currently under review and subject to change because of changes to the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended). A new employment and retail study are currently underway. There have not been any changes to the primary and secondary shop frontages which is promising in that it shows these particular policies are being implemented correctly.

**6.7.3** Vacancy rates have increased in Cleveleys and Fleetwood but decreased in Garstang and Poulton-le-Fylde. We remain cautious when monitoring these policies due to the uncertainty with the economy. Policies remain under review with the hopes of ensuring thriving and vibrant towns, districts and local centres to serve the local community and visitors.

## **7 Infrastructure Provision (Objective 5 and 6)**

### **7.1 Introduction**

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objectives 5 and 6 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully and monitors the performance of policies SP1, SP2, SP7, SP8, CDMP3, CDMP6 and EP11. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI21, PMI22, PMI23, PMI24, PMI25, PMI26, PMI27, and PMI28. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 5 states:

*'To ensure that new developments are supported by essential infrastructure, services and facilities through collaborative working with partners and stakeholders.'*

Objective 6 states:

*'To improve connectivity between housing, employment, services and recreation areas by a range in transport choices; support the development of an efficient strategic and local highway network, safe walking and cycling routes and public transport services.'*

### **7.2 PMI21 & SAI3/3 - Percentage of new dwellings approved within 1km of key services**

**7.2.1** Key services include; General Practitioner (GP), primary school, secondary school, existing employment areas (EP2) and town, district, local and neighbourhood centres (EP4).

**7.2.2** 9% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of a GP.

**7.2.3** 99% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of a primary school.

**7.2.4** 50% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of a secondary school.

**7.2.5** 47% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of an existing employment area (EP2).

**7.2.6** 92% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of town, district, local and neighbourhood centre (EP4)<sup>3</sup>.

### **7.3 PMI22 - Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards health care**

**7.3.1** The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a charge that local authorities have the power to levy on most types of development to fund infrastructure required to support new growth such as transport, education, health and open space facilities. CIL

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<sup>3</sup> This data includes Catterall as a local centre as it has been developed during the plan period.

chargers are based on the size and types of development proposed and are calculated as a charge per square metre.

7.3.2 Wyre council does not at present have an adopted CIL Charging Schedule. Therefore, there are currently no financial contributions through CIL within Wyre.

7.3.3 As part of the consideration of a planning application, section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 enables local authorities to negotiate with developers certain works, restrictions, or contributions towards a range of infrastructure and services, such as community facilities, public open space, transport improvements and/or affordable housing.

7.3.4 During the monitoring year, there were s106 contributions totalling £413,524.04 proposed towards health care from seven planning applications. Please note that this is an estimated figure as for planning application 20/01018/LMAJ, the public health contribution is to be calculated using a formula which requires the number of persons pursuant to the particular Reserved Matters Consent calculated on the basis of the number of dwellings to be provided pursuant to the planning permission and the particular reserved matters consent and the predicted occupancy rates for those dwellings. There was also an estimated £67,525.92 proposed through 18/00469/OULMAJ which was not reported in the 2021/22 AMR.

#### **7.4 PMI23 - Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards other infrastructure**

7.4.1 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a new charge that local authorities have the power to levy on most types of development to fund infrastructure required to support new growth such as transport, education, health and open space facilities. CIL chargers are based on the size and types of development proposed and are calculated as a charge per square metre.

7.4.2 Wyre council does not at present have an adopted CIL Charging Schedule. Therefore, there are currently no financial contributions through CIL within Wyre.

7.4.3 As part of the consideration of a planning application, section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 enables local authorities to negotiate with developers certain works, restrictions, or contributions towards a range of infrastructure and services, such as community facilities, public open space, transport improvements and/or affordable housing.

7.4.4 There was one financial contribution of £865,233.00 proposed during the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 for other infrastructure (community hall contribution).

#### **7.5 PMI24 - Number of community facilities, by type and settlement**

7.5.1 This indicator will be introduced during the plan period as and when data becomes available.

## **7.6 PMI25 & SAI3/5 - Length of total and new dedicated pedestrian and cycle routes**

7.6.1 There are a total of 64,758 meters of dedicated cycle routes within the borough. There are also 233,708 meters of proposed new cycle routes that are yet to be established. No figures are available for dedicated pedestrian routes.

7.6.2 These routes (and wider Lancashire routes) can be seen at Lancashire County Council's dedicated cycling webpage - <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/cycling/cycle-routes/>

7.6.3 AtkinsRéalis has been commissioned to develop stages 1 to 4 of a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) for the Fylde Coast region. The primary objective for the LCWIP is to increase the number of people walking, wheeling and cycling in the Fylde Coast, particularly for short utility journeys. This includes identifying a long-term plan to enhance active travel in the region. The Stage 1 - 4 report can be viewed at Lancashire County Council's dedicated LCWIP webpage - <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/strategies-policies-plans/roads-parking-and-travel/cycling-and-walking-strategy/>

## **7.7 PMI26 - Number of developments receiving planning permission with agreed travel plan**

7.7.1 There were 2 developments receiving planning permission with an agreed travel plan.

## **7.8 PMI27 - Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards highways**

7.8.1 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a new charge that local authorities have the power to levy on most types of development to fund infrastructure required to support new growth such as transport, education, health and open space facilities. CIL chargers are based on the size and types of development proposed and are calculated as a charge per square metre.

7.8.2 Wyre council does not at present have an adopted CIL Charging Schedule. Therefore, there are currently no financial contributions through CIL within Wyre.

7.8.3 As part of the consideration of a planning application, section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 enables local authorities to negotiate with developers certain works, restrictions, or contributions towards a range of infrastructure and services, such as community facilities, public open space, transport improvements and/or affordable housing

7.8.4 During the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024, there were financial contributions totalling £580, 898.97 through S106 towards highways proposed through four planning applications.

## **7.9 PMI28 & SAI5/2 - Percentage and number of new dwellings built within 1km of a bus stop**

7.9.1 During the monitoring period, 99.9% of new dwellings built were within 1km of a bus stop.

## **7.10 Indicator Analysis**

**7.10.1** Table 7.1 illustrates how local policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.

**Table 7.1: Infrastructure Provision (Objective 5 and 6) Indicator Performance Analysis**

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
SP2 SP7 SP8 SP17  CDMP3 CDMP6  EP11	PMI 21 SAI 3/3	Percentage of new dwellings approved within 1km of key services	Monitor take up	GP = 67% Primary school = 99% Secondary school = 8% Existing employment area = 89% Town, district, local and neighbourhood centre = 73%	GP = 9% Primary school = 99% Secondary school = 50% Existing employment area = 47% Town, district, local and neighbourhood centre = 92%	N/A
	PMI 22	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards health care	Monitor contributions	£128,549.00	£413,524.04	N/A
	PMI 23	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards other infrastructure	Monitor contributions	£0.00	£865,233.00	N/A
	PMI 24	Number of community facilities, by type and settlement a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission c) loss to alternative uses	Monitor change	Data not available	Data not available	N/A
	PMI 25 SAI 3/5	Length of total and new dedicated pedestrian and cycle routes	Increase	Total =77,215m Off-road = 30,346m	Total existing = 64,758m Proposed = 233,708m	Amber

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
				On-road =46,869m Proposed = 0		
	PMI 26	Number of developments receiving planning permission with agreed travel plan	No target	2	2	N/A
	PMI 27	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards highways	Monitor contributions	£972,000.00	£580,898.97	N/A
	PMI 28 SAI 5/2	Percentage and number of new dwellings built within 1km of a bus stop	Monitor take up	99%	99.9%	N/A



## **7.11 Policy Conclusions**

**7.11.1** It can be established that new developments are supported by essential infrastructure. 99.9% of new dwellings built were within 1km of bus stops. It is also positive that 99% and 92% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of a primary school and a town, district, local and neighbourhood centre, respectively.

**7.11.2** There have been significant financial contributions towards health care and highways. These monies must be invested into community facilities that will benefit the residents and future generations. This in turn will then be reflected in health improvements and accessibility to things such as open green spaces.

**7.11.3** It is paramount that these figures continue to rise to ensure connectivity between housing and employment is improved. It is also particularly important in ensuring residents have sustainable transport methods available to them. Should financial contributions continue to come forward, it is also equally important that these are invested to create new opportunities.

**7.11.4** It is evident that the policies are working in respect of ensuring new development are being supported by new infrastructure, services and facilities.

## **8 Natural Environment and Heritage Assets (Objective 7)**

### **8.1 Introduction**

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 7 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully and monitors the performance of policies SP1, SP2, SP5, SP7, CDMP4 and CDMP5. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI29, PMI30, PMI31, PMI32, PMI33, PMI34 and PMI35. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 7 states:

*'To protect and enhance Wyre's natural and heritage assets and amenity creating a high quality built and natural environment including through high quality design that respects, and where appropriate, improves the character of the locality and surrounding landscape.'*

### **8.2 PMI29 & SAI8/1 - Number and change in areas of biodiversity, geological and landscape importance**

**8.2.1** National Landscapes (formerly Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs)) are valuable landscapes, and it is in the interest of the nation to protect and safeguard them. The Countryside and Rights of way Act 2000 legislates for AONBs, ensuring their protection. Wyre contains approximately 5,078 hectares of the Forest of Bowland National Landscape.

**8.2.2** Wyre remains to have approximately 6,297 hectares of land designated as a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). This is distributed amongst five SSSI sites, which are wholly or partially within Wyre.

**8.2.3** Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) are strictly protected sites designated under the EC Habitats Directive. Wyre remains to have approximately 4,058 hectares of SACs which covers Morecambe Bay.

**8.2.4** Special Protection Areas (SPAs) are strictly protected sites classified in accordance with Article 4 of the EC Birds Directive. Wyre has approximately 6,229 hectares of SPAs which cover Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary and Bowland Fells.

**8.2.5** There are four Local Geodiversity Sites (LGSs) wholly or partially in Wyre. Three of these are river sections (Barnacre Brook, Knott End/Preesall drumlins and River Brock), whilst the fourth is a railway cutting (Wild Goose Wood).

**8.2.6** There are 71 BHSs under active management, either wholly or partially within Wyre, covering 3,308ha in Wyre.

### **8.3 PMI30 - Amount of new development within areas of biodiversity, geological and landscape importance**

**8.3.1** There have been 14 planning applications permitted in a National Landscape (formerly AONB) and no housing completions.

8.3.2 There has been no new development in a SSSI.

8.3.3 There has been no new development in a SAC.

8.3.4 There has been no new development in a SPA.

8.3.5 There has been no new development in a LGS.

8.3.6 There have been 11 planning applications permitted and no completions in a BHS.

#### **8.4 PMI31 & SAI8/2 - Condition of SSSIs**

8.4.1 Natural England assesses SSSI's to measure the quality of their habitats and species and to assess if the appropriate management is being carried out. If an SSSI is found to be in a favourable or recovering condition, it means that its habitats and species are being conserved by appropriate management. If an SSSI is found to be in an unfavourable condition, this means there is a current lack of appropriate management, or that there are damaging impacts (which may be out of the control of the owner) which need to be addressed. The Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) has a target to get 95% of SSSI land in England into a favourable or recovering position.

8.4.2 Wyre estuary and Lune estuary SSSI have been assessed as being 100% in favourable condition. 100% of Rough Hey Wood SSSI, 84% of Winmarleigh Moss SSSI and 79% of Bowland Fells SSSI is deemed unfavourable but recovering. 15% of Bowland Fells SSSI is assessed as being in an unfavourable declining condition. 16% of Winmarleigh Moss SSSI is deemed unfavourable with no change. However, it must be taken into account that both Bowland Fells and Winmarleigh Moss cross into neighbouring authorities.

8.4.3 SSSIs as a whole across Wyre (including the sites that cross boundaries) have declined to 93.3% and therefore does not currently meet the required 95% target set out by DEFRA. This marks no change from the previous monitoring period. Sites wholly within Wyre are 100% in favourable or recovering position and are therefore above the 95% target.

#### **8.5 PMI32 & SAI8/3 - Number of Biological Heritage Sites (BHS) under active management**

8.5.1 In Lancashire there are at present over 1,200 Biological Heritage Sites (BHSs) covering 34,294ha. BHSs contain valuable habitats such as woodland, species-rich grassland, swamp and salt marsh. There are also 'artificial' habitats including, railway embankments and the length of the Lancaster canal which runs through Wyre.

8.5.2 There are 71 BHSs under active management, either wholly or partially within Wyre, covering 3,308ha in Wyre.

#### **8.6 PMI33 - Loss of the best and most versatile agricultural land**

8.6.1 Agricultural land is classified into five grades. Grade one is best quality and grade five is poorest quality. Table 8.1 shows the varying land classifications across Wyre and shows non-agricultural and urban classifications.

8.6.2 There has been no change from the previous monitoring year.

**Table 8.1: Agricultural land classification in Wyre, 2022-2024**

<b>Agricultural Land Classification (ALC)</b>	<b>2022-2023 Area (Ha)</b>	<b>2023-2024 Area (Ha)</b>
Grade 1	0	0
Grade 2	8,367	8,367
Grade 3	12,089	12,089
Grade 4	2,532	2,532
Grade 5	2,963	2,963
Non Agricultural	60	60
Urban	2,291	2,291

### 8.7 PMI34 & SAI10/1 - Gain/Loss/Number of heritage assets

8.7.1 In Wyre there are seven conservation areas; Calder Vale, Churchtown, Dolphinholme, Fleetwood, Garstang, Poulton-le-Fylde and Scorton. Conservation areas recognise a broader character than individual listed buildings, as all features within a conservation area are part of its character.

8.7.2 There are eight scheduled monuments in Wyre – three near Bleasdale within the Forest of Bowland National Landscape, one in Garstang, one at Barnacre-with-bonds, one in Great Eccleston, one in Claughton, and one on Dolphinholme.

8.7.3 As of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, Historic England identified 309 listings<sup>4</sup> of listed buildings in Wyre. Of these, two were grade 1, seven were grade 2\*, and 300 were grade 2.

8.7.4 There remains two Grade 2 Registered Historic Parks and Gardens in Wyre – The Mount (including the surrounding cobble wall) and the Memorial Park at Fleetwood.

8.7.5 Table 8.2 illustrates the number of heritage assets in sub-categories across Wyre and the change in number from the previous monitoring year.

**Table 8.2: Heritage Assets in Wyre, 2022-24**

<b>Heritage Assets</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>Gain / Loss / No change</b>
<b>Conservation areas</b>	7	7	No Change
<b>Scheduled monuments</b>	8	8	No Change
<b>Listed buildings</b>	307	309	Gain
<b>Parks and gardens</b>	2	2	No Change

<sup>4</sup> Some listings include more than one listed building, i.e. a terraced street with individual listed buildings is included as one listing.

## **8.8 PMI35 & SAI10/2 – Number of scheduled monuments and listed buildings considered to be at risk**

8.8.1 Wyre has one scheduled monument and two grade 2 listed buildings that are considered to be at risk by Historic England<sup>5</sup>.

8.8.2 Church of St Luke, Church Lane, Winmarleigh is a grade 2 listed building that is considered to be at risk due to damage to the extensive internal stencil decoration that has been caused by water ingress. There are also significant settlement cracks to the north east corner of the chancel and the chapel and organ chamber are beneath pitched roofs with the adjacent valley gutters being complex. The condition is rated as poor and remains as a priority C case - slow decay, no solution agreed.

8.8.3 Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Heys Street, Thornton Cleveleys is also a grade 2 listed building which is considered to be at risk due to suspected inclusion of now corroding iron locating dowels within the base of tracery mullions that is causing widespread failure. The condition is rated as poor and remains as a priority A case - immediate risk of further deterioration or loss of fabric, no solution agreed.

8.8.4 Bleasdale Circle enclosed Bronze Age urnfield, Bleasdale is a scheduled monument that is deemed to be at risk. The condition is generally unsatisfactory with major localised problems, with the vulnerability due to scrub/tree growth. The monument is declining.

## **8.9 SAI8/4 – Areas of Ancient woodland**

8.9.1 Ancient Woodlands are areas which have had woodland cover and have been relatively undisturbed by human activity over hundreds of years. They have evolved into complex communities of trees, plants, fungi, microorganisms and insects. It is essential to protect and enhance these areas of biodiversity as these areas cover just 2.5% of the UK.

8.9.2 There are 20 ancient woodlands wholly or partially in Wyre.

## **8.10 Indicator Analysis**

8.10.1 Table 8.3 illustrates local plan policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.

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<sup>5</sup> Historic England Risk Register lists those sites most at risk of being lost through neglect, decay or inappropriate development.

**Table 8.3: Natural Environment and Heritage Assets (Objective 7) Indicator Performance Analysis**

<b>Policies</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comparator / Target</b>	<b>2022/23 Output</b>	<b>2023/24 Output</b>	<b>Performance</b>
SP1 SP2 SP5 SP7  CDMP4 CDMP5	PMI 29 SAI 8/1	Number and change in areas of biodiversity, geological and landscape importance	No loss (ha)	AONB = 5,078ha SSSI = 6,297ha SAC = 4,058ha SPA = 6,228ha LGS = N/A BHS = 3,308ha	AONB = 5,078ha SSSI = 6,297ha SAC = 4,058ha SPA = 6,229ha LGS = N/A BHS = 3,308ha	Green
	PMI 30	Amount of new development within areas of biodiversity, geological and landscape importance a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission	No development unless justified	a) 1 b) 16	a) 0 b) 25	Green
	PMI 31 SAI 8/2	Condition of SSSIs	95% of SSSIs in favourable or recovering condition	93.3%	93.3%	Red
	PMI 32 SAI 8/3	Number of Biological Heritage Sites (BHS) under active management	Monitor over plan period	69	71	N/A
	PMI 33	Loss of the best and most versatile agricultural land	Monitor Loss	Grade 2 = 8,367ha Grade 3 = 12,089ha	Grade 2 = 8,367ha Grade 3 = 12,089ha	Green

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
				Grade 4 = 2,532ha Grade 5 = 2,963 NA = 60 Urban = 2,291	Grade 4 = 2,532ha Grade 5 = 2,963 NA = 60 Urban = 2,291	
	PMI 34 SAI 10/1	Gain/Loss/Number of heritage assets a) conservation areas b) scheduled monuments c) listed buildings d) parks and gardens	Monitor Change	a)7 b)8 c)307 d)2	a)7 b)8 c)309 d)2	N/A
	PMI 35 SAI 10/2	Number of scheduled monuments and listed buildings considered to be at risk	No increase	3	3	Green
	SAI 8/4	Areas of Ancient woodland	No loss	20	20	Green

## **8.11 Policy Conclusions**

**8.11.1** As is evident from the natural environment and heritage assets chapter, through the implementation of indicators, the policies (SP and CDMP) are overall performing successfully and meeting the objectives set out.

**8.11.2** There has been no losses to areas of biodiversity, geological and landscape importance. The condition of the SSSIs remains healthy, although does not score green due to not meeting national requirements.

**8.11.3** Wyre also remains to have just 3 scheduled monuments and listed buildings considered to be at risk. This highlights further that policies are ensuring the protection and enhancement of Wyre's natural and heritage assets.



## **9 Spatial Development (Objective 8)**

### **9.1 Introduction**

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 8 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully and monitors the performance of policies SP1, SP2, SP3, SP4, HP4, HP5, HP6, HP7 and EP8. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI36 and PMI37. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 8 states:

*“To protect the separate identity of individual settlements.”*

### **9.2 PMI36 – Number of new developments (by type) in the Green Belt**

9.2.1 There have been no new completions in the Green Belt.

9.2.2 In the monitoring year, there have been 7 planning permissions permitted in the green belt. This equates to 1.5% of all planning applications permitted in the monitoring year.

9.2.3 Of the granted permissions, 4 were for residential purposes and 3 were for 'other' purposes.

### **9.3 PMI37 - Number of new developments (by type) in the Countryside**

9.3.1 There have been 21 completions in the Countryside. This equates to 3.1% of all completions in the monitoring year.

9.3.2 In the monitoring year, there were 158 developments granted planning permission in the countryside. This equates to 33.1% of all planning applications granted in the monitoring year.

9.3.3 Of the granted permissions, 49.4% were for residential purposes, 5.1% for employment, 4.4% for leisure, 3.2% for retail and 38.0% fall into the 'other' category. Applications which fall into the 'other' category typically include the construction and extension of agricultural and equine buildings (stables).

### **9.4 Indicator Analysis**

9.4.1 Table 9.1 illustrates local plan policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.

**Table 9.1: Spatial Development (Objective 8) Indicator Performance Analysis**

<b>Policies</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comparator / Target</b>	<b>2022/23 Output</b>	<b>2023/24 Output</b>	<b>Performance</b>
SP1 SP2 SP3 SP4	PMI 36	Number of new developments (by type) in the Green Belt a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission	No development unless justified	a) 0 b) 6	a) 0 b) 7	Amber
HP4 HP5 HP6 HP7  EP8	PMI 37	Number of new developments (by type) in the Countryside a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission	No development unless justified	a) 82 b) 119	a) 21 b) 158	Amber

## **9.5 Policy Conclusions**

**9.5.1** There have been 0 new completions in the green belt. This is extremely important as the green belt is used to prevent merging of neighbouring settlements and to protect the special character of a settlement.

**9.5.2** There has been considerable development permitted in countryside areas (examples include householder applications, agricultural applications, and private equestrian development). The open and rural character of the countryside is intrinsic to the identity of and 'sense of place' in Wyre. Policies could be misinterpreted as not being effective as the granted permissions data relates to all types of development and not specifically new dwellings.

## **10 Green Infrastructure and Health (Objective 9)**

### **10.1 Introduction**

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 9 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully and monitors the performance of policies SP1, SP2, SP7, SP8, CDMP3, CDMP4, CDMP6 and HP9. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI 38, PMI39, PMI40, PMI41, PMI42, PMI43 and PMI44. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 9 states:

*'To achieve a healthy environment with accessible high quality green infrastructure with opportunities for active recreation that contributes to the improvement in the general health and well-being of the population and promotes healthy lifestyle choices.'*

### **10.2 PMI38 & SAI5/3- Length of total and new dedicated public rights of way (PROW)**

**10.2.1** At the time of writing, Wyre has approximately 1,129 PROWs in total. This figure includes bridleways, footpaths, byways open to all traffic, and public path order applications. The total number of PROWs in Wyre equates to a total combined length of over 424.32km's.

**10.2.2** This includes 370.0km's of footpaths and 26.53km's of bridleways. There is currently a total of 6.44km of public path order applications. The data is a snapshot taken from dynamic data and so is under constant review by Lancashire County Council and is subject to change as part of a continuous review programme.

### **10.3 PMI39 & SAI9/2 - Number of total and new green flag status parks**

**10.3.1** Green flags are awarded by The Green Flag Reward® scheme to well managed parks and green spaces that have attained the benchmark standard for the management of recreational outdoor spaces across the United Kingdom.

**10.3.2** Wyre has a total of five parks that have been recognised as meeting this requirement. These are Poulton's Vicarage Park, Hawthorne Park and Wyre Estuary Country Park (Stanah Picnic Site) in Thornton, Memorial Park and The Mount in Fleetwood

### **10.4 PMI40 and SAI9/1 – Amount of Green Infrastructure lost to development (ha)**

**10.4.1** There will be a total of 0.35ha of green infrastructure lost due to development permitted in 2023-24.

### **10.5 PMI41 - Amount of new green infrastructure (including public open space) provided through new development**

**10.5.1** Green infrastructure (GI) should be provided on site. Where appropriate, the Council will accept a financial contribution towards improving the quality and accessibility of nearby existing green infrastructure in lieu of on-site provision.

10.5.2 Policy HP9 required 6.98ha of Green Infrastructure to be provided across eight planning applications. 13.37ha of Green Infrastructure has been proposed and subsequently approved (including public open space).

10.5.3 It should be noted that 20/01018/LMAJ (A hybrid application which included a full planning permission for 80 dwellings (phase 2) and an outline application for 194 dwellings (phase 3)) at Land off Lambs Road (SA1/2) required 2.26ha of GI and proposed 2.62ha. There was a subsequent planning application (22/00815/FULMAJ) granted permission within the same monitoring year for Phase 3 which required 1.88ha of GI and proposed 1.86ha. For clarity, Phase 3 has not been double counted in paragraph 10.5.2.

10.5.4 In the monitoring year, there have been proposed financial contributions of £198,320.70 towards green infrastructure from permitted applications.

### 10.6 PMI42 & SAI3/4 - Number of open space sites above 80% quality score

10.6.1 The GI evidence base has been updated with a new Green Infrastructure Audit, Green Infrastructure Strategy, and Playing Pitch and Outdoor Sports Study. The refreshed GI evidence base will provide a strong basis for corporate policies designed to promote sustainable environments (including biodiversity and climate change adaptation and mitigation) and improve health and well-being across Wyre and be sufficiently robust to support the emerging Wyre Local Plan. The refreshed evidence base complements Wyre Council strategies to address health and wellbeing (Wyre Moving More Strategy) and climate change (Climate Change Strategy). The evidence is available to view on the Council's website at <https://www.wyre.gov.uk/evidence-monitoring-information/environment-evidence/3>.

### 10.7 PMI43 & SAI3/2 - Number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation

10.7.1 From 2019 data, there were a total number of seven (7) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation. Wards included: Rossall, Warren, Pharos, Mount, Park, Jubilee and Bourne.

### 10.8 PMI44 - Number of Health Impact Assessments (HIA)

10.8.1 There have been zero Health Impact Assessments.

### 10.9 Life Expectancy

10.9.1 At the age of 65, Wyre has some of the longest life expectancy averages in Lancashire for both men and women. Table 10.1 illustrates life expectancy averages at 65 years old for males and females against regional and national averages.

**TABLE 10.1 LIFE EXPECTANCY AT 65 YEARS, REGIONALLY AND NATIONALLY, 2015 – 2022 (PHE)**

	Wyre		Lancashire		North West		England	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
<b>2015-2017</b>	83.6	85.9	83.4	85.6	83.0	85.2	83.8	86.1
<b>2016-2018</b>	83.5	86.0	83.4	85.6	83.2	85.3	83.9	86.2

<b>2017-2019</b>	83.4	86.3	83.4	85.6	83.3	85.5	84	86.3
<b>2018-2020</b>	83.1	86.0	83.1	85.4	82.9	85.2	83.7	86.1
<b>2019-2021</b>	82.8	85.8	83.0	85.3	82.7	85.1	83.5	86.0
<b>2020-2022</b>	83.1	85.5	82.9	85.3	82.6	85.0	83.4	85.9

**10.9.2** There are slight differences in life expectancy across the borough and these generally correlate with areas of high deprivation. Compared to 2019-2021, life expectancy at 65 years in 2020-2022 has increased by 0.3 for males but decreased by 0.3 for females. Wyre has a higher life expectancy in both males and females compared with Lancashire and the North West.

**10.9.3** COVID-19 led to increased mortality in 2020 and 2021, and the impact of this is seen in the life expectancy estimates for 2020 to 2022.

**10.9.4** The 2021 census identified that 10.1% of the population in Wyre have their day-to-day activities limited 'a lot' by some form of long-term physical or mental health condition or illness. This was the highest in the Lancashire and is higher than regional and national figures, as shown in table 10.2.

**TABLE 10.2: LIMITING LONG-TERM ILLNESS, REGIONALLY AND NATIONALLY, 2011 AND 2021 CENSUS**

	<b>Wyre (%)</b>	<b>Lancashire (%)</b>	<b>North West (%)</b>	<b>England and Wales (%)</b>
<b>2011</b>	11.7	9.8	10.3	8.5
<b>2021</b>	10.1	8.5	8.9	7.5

**10.9.5** The percentage of people in Wyre with a long-term illness has declined by 1.6% between 2011 to 2021. The figure has also declined regionally and nationally.

**10.9.6** There was a change to the terminology in the 2021 Census. Census 2021 asked residents to report if they had a long-term physical or mental health condition or illness, whilst Census 2011 asked residents whether they had a long-term health problem or disability.

## **10.10 SAI3/1 - Percentage of resident population who consider themselves to be in good health**

**10.10.1** The 2021 census identified that 44.3% of people in Wyre rated their health as 'very good' which is lower than regional and national figures, as shown in table 10.3. However, this is higher than the percentage in the 2011 Census (43.2%). At the other end of the scale, 6.9% of people reported their health as 'bad' or 'very bad', compared to 7.2% in 2011.

**10.10.2** 77.6% of residents in Wyre consider themselves to be in at least good health.

**10.10.3** Census 2021 was conducted during the Covid-19 pandemic. This may have influenced how people perceived and rated their health, and therefore may have affected how people chose to respond.

**TABLE 10.3: SELF-REPORTED HEALTH, REGIONALLY AND NATIONALLY, 2021 CENSUS**

	<b>Very good (%)</b>	<b>Good (%)</b>	<b>Fair (%)</b>	<b>Bad (%)</b>	<b>Very bad (%)</b>
<b>Wyre</b>	44.3	33.3	15.5	5.3	1.6
<b>Lancashire</b>	47.1	33.5	13.7	4.5	1.3
<b>North West</b>	47.7	32.7	13.4	4.8	1.4
<b>England and Wales</b>	48.4	33.6	12.7	4.0	1.2

### 10.11 Indicator Analysis

10.11.1 Table 10.4 illustrates how local plan policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.

**Table 10.4: Green Infrastructure and Health (Objective 9) Indicator Performance Analysis**

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
SP1 SP2 SP7 SP8	PMI 38 SAI 5/3	Length of total and new dedicated public rights of way (PROW)	Increase	Approx. 1,119 Over 422km's	Approx. 1,129 Over 424km's	Green
CDMP3	PMI 39 SAI 9/2	Number of total and new green flag status parks	Increase	5	5	Green
CDMP4 CDMP6	PMI 40 SAI 9/1	Amount of Green Infrastructure lost to development (ha)	No loss (ha)	0.06ha	0.35ha	Amber
HP9	PMI 41	Amount of new green infrastructure (including public open space) provided through new development a) on site b) off-site contributions through CIL and/or S106 agreements	Monitor provision/contributions	a) 4.76ha b) £277,001.48	a) 13.37ha b) £198,320.70	N/A
	PMI 42 SAI 3/4	Number of open space sites above 80% quality score	Increase	Data not available	Data not available	N/A
	PMI 43 SAI 3/2	Number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation	Decrease	7	7	Green
	PMI 44	Number of Health Impact Assessments (HIA)	Monitor take up	None (0)	None (0)	N/A
	SAI 3/1	Percentage of resident population who consider themselves to be in good health	Increase	77.6%	77.6%	Green



## **10.12 Policy Conclusions**

**10.12.1** The length of PROWs has increased and Wyre continues to have 5 parks with green flag status.

**10.12.2** There has been minimal green infrastructure lost to new development, 13.37ha proposed to come forward and over £198,000 in off-site contributions. This is a positive outcome as it is providing much needed green space, which can help to improve overall health. Although on-site provision is preferred, the financial contributions are vitally important in ensuring high quality green infrastructure is still accessible to those in existing residential areas by using said monies to update/replace and improve the necessary green infrastructure.

**10.12.3** Due to the increase in green infrastructure that has been provided, it is evident that policies are being implemented correctly and are performing sufficiently. It is essential that this is continued to ensure healthy lifestyles can be maintained and promoted.

## 11 Climate Change (Objective 10)

### 11.1 Introduction

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 10 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully monitors the performance of policies SP2, CDMP1, CDMP6 and EP12. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI45, PMI46 and PMI47. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 10 states:

*'To respond to the challenge of climate change encouraging best use of resources and assets minimising wastage and ensuring the Borough adapts to climate change.'*

### 11.2 PMI45 - Per capita amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the LA area

11.2.1 In responding to climate change, there is a need to understand and adapt to the impacts this is likely to have on the environment and to seek ways in which carbon emissions can be reduced. Ensuring that adaptation and mitigation measures do not adversely affect natural beauty and maximising opportunities to improve environmental resilience, such as improving habitat condition and enhancing connectivity, are a priority.

11.2.2 Table 11.1 illustrates that the largest estimated source of carbon emissions in Wyre in 2021 and 2022 was the transport sector. Per capita carbon emissions for Wyre are higher than the regional and national figures but have decreased on the previous year.

11.2.3 These statistics are revised each year to take account methodological improvements, so the estimates presented below for 2021 supersede the ones shown in the previous AMR.

**Table 11.1: Carbon Emissions Estimates at Local, Regional and National Level, 2021-2022 (DESNZ)\***

	Year	Industry Total (kt)	Commercial Total (t)	Domestic Total (kt)	Public Sector Total (kt)	Transport Total (kt)	Land Use Change and Forestry Net Emissions (kt)	Agriculture total (kt)	Waste Total (kt)	Total (kt)	Per Capita (t)
Wyre	2021	93.0	67.4	177.1	11.4	204.9	22.3	19.7	0.1	596.1	5.3
	2022	84.7	59.8	151.7	10.4	205.2	22.2	19.5	0.1	553.8	4.8
	Change (%)	-8.92	-11.28	-14.34	-8.77	0.15	-0.45	-1.02	0	-7.10	-9.43
Lancashire	2021	1,538.4	594.0	1,846.0	218.8	2,297.8	293.1	186.3	1.4	6,975.8	5.6
	2022	1,409.9	548.5	1,576.4	203.2	2,295.2	288.6	176.7	1.4	6,500.0	5.2
	Change (%)	-8.35	-7.66	-14.60	-7.13	-0.11	-1.54	-5.15	0	-6.82	-7.14
North West	2021	7,656.2	3,899.9	10,490.2	1,463.0	12,072.5	33.4	618.5	105.5	36,339.1	4.9
	2022	6,504.7	3,666.2	8,964.7	1,346.7	12,055.7	33.1	588.4	130.7	33,290.1	4.4
	Change (%)	-15.04	-5.99	-14.54	-7.95	-0.14	-0.90	-4.87	23.89	-8.39	-10.20

	Year	Industry Total (kt)	Commercial Total (t)	Domestic Total (kt)	Public Sector Total (kt)	Transport Total (kt)	Land Use Change and Forestry Net Emissions (kt)	Agriculture total (kt)	Waste Total (kt)	Total (kt)	Per Capita (t)
England	2021	44,917.5	29,654.5	76,628.9	10,109.3	93,479.9	-2,382.8	6,800.0	315.9	259,523.3	4.6
	2022	40,903.1	28,162.5	66,653.5	9,457.6	93,986.5	-2,304.2	6,449.9	332.5	243,641.3	4.3
	Change (%)	-8.94	-5.03	-13.02	-6.45	0.54	-3.30	-5.15	5.25	-6.12	-6.52

\*If a larger version of this table is required, please contact the Planning Policy team.

### 11.3 PMI46 – New renewable energy installations, by type (Feed in tariff in Mega Watts)

11.3.1 The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) previously confirmed that following the closure of the Feed-in-Tariff scheme in March 2019, the data released in January 2020 would be the final release and data discontinued.

11.3.2 Table 11.2 below, indicates the most recently available data in Wyre. This data relates to the monitoring period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

**Table 11.2: Feed in Tariff Installations in Wyre, 2018-2019 (OFGEM)**

Technology	Photovoltaic		Wind		Total Installations	Total Capacity (MW)
	Installations	Capacity (MW)	Installations	Capacity (MW)		
Domestic	19	0.139	0	0	19	0.139
Commercial	0	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial	0	0	0	0	0	0
Community	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	19	0.139	0	0	19	0.139

### 11.4 PMI47 & SAI12/3 – Number of Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCP)

11.4.1 At the time of writing and based on the data displayed in Zapmap, Wyre had 152 charge points available. This is an increase of 39 from the previous year. Table 11.3 illustrates the location of these EVCP's.

**Table 11.3 - Location of EVCP's in Wyre**

Location	No. Chargers Available
Fleetwood	27
Thornton	14
Cleveleys	30
Poulton-le-Fylde	26
Garstang	16
Great Eccleston	4
Hambleton	2
Knott End	6
Moto Lancaster M6 Services (Northbound and Southbound)	27

## **11.5 SAI12/1 – Local rail patronage**

11.5.1 Wyre remains to have one operating train station – Poulton-le-Fylde. The train station is an integral part of the community which acts as a direct link between the West Coast Mainline at Preston, through to Blackpool. In the period 2022-2023, Poulton-le-Fylde station saw a total of 509,880 passengers. This is a significant increase from the previous year (2021-22) where there was a total of 425,336 passengers.

## **11.6 SAI12/2 – Indicators used to monitor the implementation of the Local Transport Plan**

11.6.1 Indicators currently being used to monitor the implementation of the local transport plan that relate to climate change are not applicable. New monitoring indicators may be introduced with the review of the Local transport plan, and so if then applicable, these indicators may be introduced.

## **11.7 Indicator Analysis**

11.7.1 Table 11.3 illustrates how local plan policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.

**Table 11.3: Climate Change (Objective 10) Indicator Performance Analysis**

<b>Policies</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comparator / Target</b>	<b>2022/23 Output</b>	<b>2023/24 Output</b>	<b>Performance</b>
SP2	PMI 45	Per capita amount of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions in the LA area	<6.1(t)	2021 = 5.3 (t)	2022 = 4.8 (t)	Green
CDMP1 CDMP6	PMI 46	New renewable energy installations, by type (Feed in tariff in Mega Watts)	Increase	Data Discontinued	Data Discontinued	N/A
EP12	PMI 47 SAI 12/3	Number of Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCP)	Increase	113	152	Green
	SAI 12/1	Local rail patronage	Increase	2021/22 = 425,336	2022/23 = 509,880	Green
	SAI 12/2	Indicators used to monitor the implementation of the Local Transport Plan	To be developed	N/A	N/A	N/A

## **11.8 Policy Conclusions**

11.8.1 As is evident from the climate change chapter, through the implementation of indicators, the policies (SP, CDMP and EP) are performing successfully and meeting the objectives set out.

11.8.2 It is evident that Wyre as an authority is progressing in terms of reducing climate change. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have been decreasing, whilst there has been a considerable emphasis put upon the introduction of electric vehicle charging points. At the time of writing, there were 152 EVCPs in Wyre.

11.8.3 There has been a significant increase in rail use compared to the previous monitoring year's output.

11.8.4 More information on how the wider Wyre organisation is tackling climate change can be found here - <https://www.wyre.gov.uk/climate-change/climate-change-wyre-council>

## 12 Environmental Impact (Objective 11)

### 12.1 Introduction

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 11 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully monitors the performance of policies SP1, SP2, SP4, SP7, CDMP1, CDMP2 and CDMP4. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI48, PMI49, PMI50, PMI51, PMI52, PMI53, PMI54, PMI55, PMI56 and PMI57. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

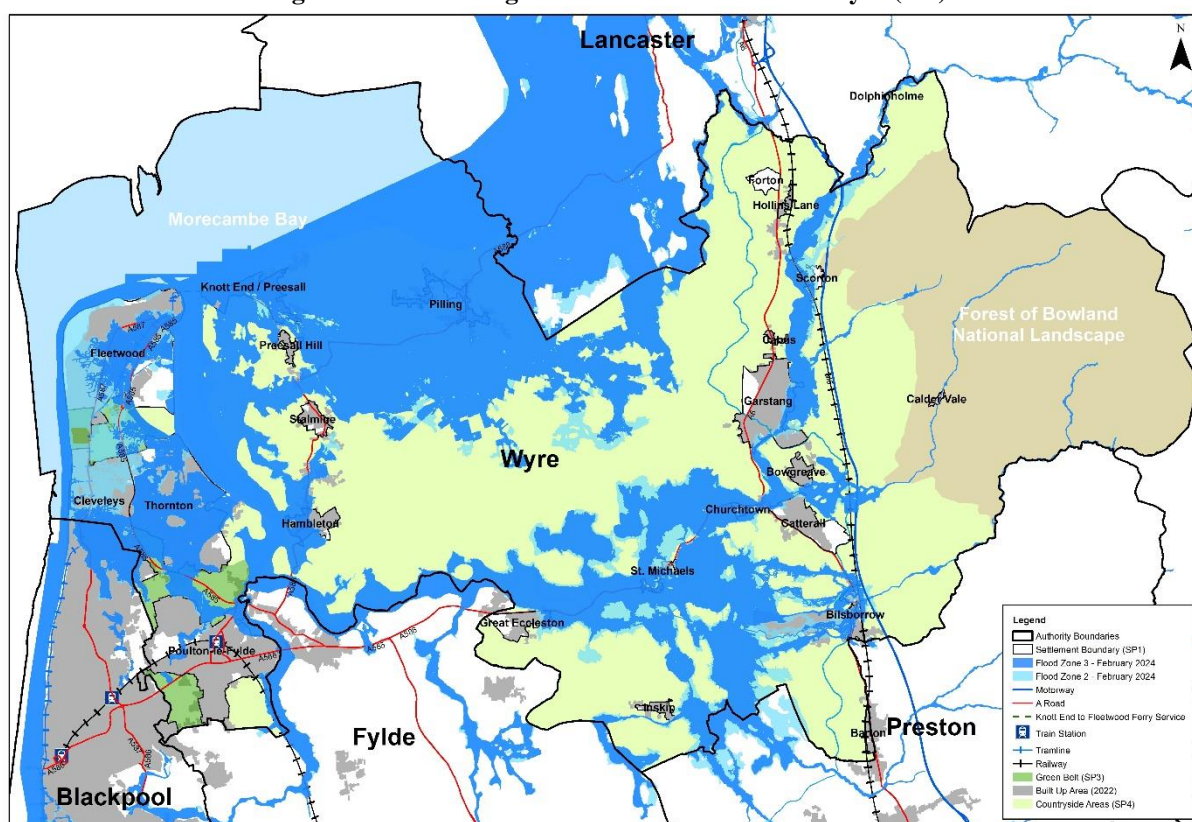
Objective 11 states:

*'To minimise environmental impact including flood risk and pollution and where necessary ensure appropriate mitigation, compensation and enhancement measures.'*

### 12.2 PMI48 & SAI11/2 – Number of planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice in areas at risk from flooding

12.2.1 With much of Wyre relatively low-lying, coastal and riparian land, the risk of coastal and river flooding is considerable, with much of the coastal area to the west and north of the borough and land around the River Wyre classified as Flood Zone 3 by the Environment Agency (EA) as shown in Figure 12.1 below.

Figure 12.1: EA Designated Flood Zone 2 & 3 in Wyre (EA)



12.2.2 In the year 2023 to 2024, there were 21 planning applications initially objected to by the EA due to flood risk.

12.2.3 Of the 21 initially objected to, 7 were permitted following the submission of an acceptable Flood Risk Assessment, which resulted in the initial objection being removed. 8 were refused, 2 were withdrawn by the applicant and 4 were pending consideration at the time of writing.

12.2.4 Therefore, at the time of writing, zero planning permissions have been granted contrary to Environment Agency advice on flood risk grounds.

### **12.3 PMI49 – Number of planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice on water quality grounds**

12.3.1 Between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024, two initial water quality objections were made by the EA in relation to the planning applications 23/00574/FULMAJ and 23/00883/FUL. Both planning applications were permitted after the initial objection was withdrawn by the EA.

12.3.2 Therefore, zero planning permissions were granted contrary to Environment Agency advice on water quality grounds.

### **12.4 PMI50 – Upgrading of flood defences to 1 in 200 year standard**

12.4.1 The upgrading of flood defences located from Rossall Hospital to Fleetwood Golf Course were completed June 2018. The scheme was completed on schedule and below target cost.

12.4.2 The Environment Agency (EA) have completed an Outline Business Case (OBC) for the raising and upgrading of the flood defences located at Fleetwood Docks. This does not extend from the docks to Hillhouse, which is seen as a lower risk. Several sources have been identified to meet the funding gap for the Fleetwood Docks scheme. It still remains an EA priority and work on the Full Business Case has commenced.

12.4.3 Flood defences located from Fleetwood docks to Stannah Embankment are yet to be upgraded. The site is not within the future capital programme and is not seen as an EA priority. However, circumstantial changes could occur and monitoring is being undertaken with any required works undertaken accordingly. This scheme is yet to commence.

12.4.4 Wyre Beach & Dune Management Scheme was approved (February 2020) by the Environment Agency. Due to inflationary increases, the scheme costs have risen to £62 million and funding approval has been granted by the EA. The scheme has been split into two phases. The rock revetment at Rossall beach, part of Phase 1, was completed in June 2023 with the wall completed in December 2023. Phase 2 - rock groynes between Cleveleys and the Rossall scheme and rock revetment and groynes from the Rossall scheme to Fleetwood Marine Lakes - commenced on 31 July 2023 and is anticipated to be completed by end of 2026. This is currently on programme, with work to the northern area due for completion in January 2025.

12.4.5 Our Future Coast Flood and Coastal Resilience Innovation Programme OFC FCRIP are undertaking Nature Based Solution works at Fleetwood Dock, Piling, Preesall and Stannah to improve the resilience of the defences and coastal communities through restoration and improvement to saltmarshes and coastal land.



12.4.6 At the time of writing, there is a pending application (23/00960/LMAJ) for an EA flood defence scheme in Hambleton, with raised defences between Wardley's Pool in the north and the southern extent of Peg's Pool in the south. The proposed scheme will provide a Standard of Protection up to the 1 in 200-year event with an allowance for climate change and freeboard, which will reduce flood risk to approximately 651 residential and 62 non-residential properties at various locations near the shoreline that are subject to tidal events on the eastern bank of the River Wyre Estuary.

### **12.5 PMI51 – Number of planning permissions incorporating Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)**

12.5.1 There have been 27 planning permissions granted which incorporate SuDS. This equates to 5.31% of all planning permissions granted. This data does not include discharge of condition applications.

### **12.6 PMI52 – Inappropriate development in the Coastal Change Management Area (CCMA)**

12.6.1 There have been zero (0) new completions or planning applications permitted in the CCMA.

### **12.7 PMI53 – Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards flood prevention**

12.7.1 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a new charge that local authorities have the power to levy on most types of development to fund infrastructure required to support new growth such as transport, education, health and open space facilities. CIL chargers are based on the size and types of development proposed and are calculated as a charge per square metre.

12.7.2 Wyre council does not at present have an adopted CIL Charging Schedule. Therefore there are currently no financial contributions through CIL within Wyre.

12.7.3 As part of the consideration of a planning application, section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 enables local authorities to negotiate with developers certain works, restrictions, or contributions towards a range of infrastructure and services, such as community facilities, public open space, transport improvements and/or affordable housing

12.7.4 There were no s106 contributions proposed during the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 for flood prevention.

### **12.8 PMI54, SAI13/1 & SAI13/2 – Measure air pollutants within Air Quality Management Areas (AQMA)**

12.8.1 Wyre has one Air Quality Management Area (AQMA), which was introduced in 2009. This is an area encompassing Chapel Street, in Poulton-le-Fylde, along with the junctions with Higher Green/Queens Square, and Breck Road/Vicarage Road/Ball Street.

12.8.2 The pollutant measured within this AQMA is Nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) with an air quality objective of 40µg/m<sup>3</sup> (measured as annual mean).

12.8.3 Monitoring results from 2022 show that concentrations within the Chapel Street AQMA at Site R1-3 and Site R4-6 remain significantly below the national objective at just 21.1µg/m<sup>3</sup> and 20.1 µg/m<sup>3</sup> respectively. This marks slight decreases from 2021's monitoring data where there were recorded values of 22.0µg/m<sup>3</sup> and 21.2µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

12.8.4 Monitoring data from 2023 has also been published and shows that concentrations within the Chapel Street AQMA at Site R1-3 and Site R4-6 remain substantially below the national objective at just 20.3µg/m<sup>3</sup> and 19.5µg/m<sup>3</sup> respectively. This is an indication that the Air Quality Action Plan 2011 is providing positive impact.

12.8.5 Additional air quality information can be found at: <https://www.wyre.gov.uk/pollution/air-quality>

## **12.9 PMI55 – Number of total and new AQMAs designated in the Borough**

12.9.1 There have been no new AQMAs designated in the borough. Therefore, Wyre remains to have one AQMA designated.

12.9.2 The continued decline in NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations within the Chapel Street AQMA provide the council with the reassurance it was seeking to revoke the AQMA. Whilst the AQMA has been compliant with the national objective for NO<sub>2</sub> for many years now, the council has up to now chosen to retain it as a precaution, as a result of concerns regarding the amount of residential development underway in and around Poulton-le-Fylde, and the degree of traffic congestion resulting from the substantial roadworks associated with the construction of the A585 Windy Harbour to Skippool bypass. Works to the bypass have however now been recently completed, as has the majority of planned development within close proximity to the town, with no adverse impact on local air quality. It is therefore considered safe to assume that the actions implemented from the Chapel Street Air Quality Plan (which included the construction of a link road to divert traffic away from the AQMA), have been successful in the long term. There is therefore no justifiable reason for retaining the AQMA any longer, and the council will hereby commence the consultation process in order to enable its revocation.

## **12.10 PMI56 & SAI11/3 – Bathing water quality**

12.10.1 The Environment Agency takes up to twenty water samples at each of England's designated bathing waters during the bathing water season between May and September each year. A classification for each bathing water is calculated annually based on samples from the previous four years. These classifications are, from best to worst:

Excellent – the highest cleanest seas

Good – generally good water quality

Sufficient – the water meets minimum standards

Poor – the water has not met the minimum standards. Work is planned to improve bathing waters not yet reaching Sufficient.

12.10.2 In Wyre, there are two designated bathing waters; Cleveleys and Fleetwood. Table 12.1 illustrates the latest bathing water quality compared to the previous year.

12.10.3 Both designated bathing waters have been classified as being good for 2022 and 2023.

**Table 12.1: Bathing Water Quality in Wyre, 2022-2023 (EA)**

Designated Bathing Water	2022 Classification	2023 Classification
Cleveleys	Good	Good
Fleetwood	Good	Good

**12.11 PMI57 – Number of planning permissions granted contrary to HSE advice**

12.11.1 There have been zero (0) new planning permissions granted contrary to HSE advice.

**12.12 SAI11/1 – Rivers reaching Good Ecological Status (GES)**

12.12.1 Since 2009, standards of river water have been measured according to standards set in the Water Framework Directive (WFD). The quality of river water is important for aquatic life. Unlike bathing water quality, which has direct health implications for humans, river water quality is less critical for most residents of Lancashire.

12.12.2 Ecological Status is classified in all Water Bodies, expressed in terms of five classes (high, good, moderate, poor and bad). These classes are established on the basis of specific criteria and boundaries defined against biological, physico-chemical and hydromorphological elements.

12.12.3 Biological assessment – uses numeric measures of communities of plants and animals (for example, fish and rooted plants). Physico-chemical assessment – looks at elements such as temperature and the level of nutrients, which support the biology. Hydromorphological quality looks at water flow, sediment composition and movement, continuity (in rivers) and the structure of physical habitat.

12.12.4 Chemical status is calculated by assessing 52 different chemical elements (individual and groups of chemicals). Water bodies are classified as good or failing.

12.12.5 The target for ‘good’ status of England’s water bodies has been extended from 2021 to 2027. The third cycle ‘River Basin Management Plans’ produced by the EA and Government set Environmental Objectives to achieve Good Ecological Status for 77% (3,591 of 4,658) of surface water bodies by 2027.

12.12.6 The latest data available shows that in 2019, Wyre had 0% of rivers reach good status. 76% reached moderate status and 24% were classified as being poor/bad overall. 2019 results can be seen in table 12.2. Unfortunately there has not been any further data released.

**Table 12.2: Rivers reaching Good Ecological Status in Wyre Operational Catchments, 2016 and 2019 (EA)**

Operational Catchment	River/ Watercourse	2016 Overall Status	2019 Ecological Status*	2019 Chemical Status	2019 Overall Status
Brook and Trib	Barton (Westfield) Brook	Poor	Poor	Fail	Poor

Operational Catchment	River/ Watercourse	2016 Overall Status	2019 Ecological Status*	2019 Chemical Status	2019 Overall Status
	Brock	<b>Good</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	New Draught Brook	<b>Poor</b>	Poor	Fail	<b>Poor</b>
	Woodplumpton Brook	<b>Poor</b>	Poor	Fail	<b>Poor</b>
Fleetwood Peninsula Trib	Hillylaid Pool - Main Dyke	<b>Moderate</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	Hillylaid Pool - Tidal Wyre	<b>Moderate</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	Lords Brook	<b>Poor</b>	Bad	Fail	<b>Bad</b>
	Thistleton Brook	<b>Moderate</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
Wyre and Calder	Calder (Wyre)	<b>Moderate</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	Marshaw Wyre	<b>Good</b>	Good	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	Tarnbrook Wyre	<b>Moderate</b>	Good	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	Wyre - conf R Brock to tidal	<b>Moderate</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	Wyre - Upper	<b>Good</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	Wyre DS Grizedale Brook confl	<b>Moderate</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
Lune	Cocker Lune	<b>Moderate</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	Pilling Water	<b>Moderate</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>
	Ridgy Pool	<b>Moderate</b>	Moderate	Fail	<b>Moderate</b>

\*Ecological status takes into consideration biological quality elements, hydromorphological elements, physico-chemical elements and specific pollutants.

### 12.13 Indicator Analysis

12.13.1 Table 12.3 illustrates how local plan policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.

**Table 12.3: Environmental Impact (Objective 11) Indicator Performance Analysis**

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
SP1 SP2 SP4 SP7  CDMP1 CDMP2 CDMP4	PMI 48 SAI 11/2	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice in areas at risk from flooding	None (0)	One (1)	None (0)	Green
	PMI 49	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice on water quality grounds	None (0)	None (0)	None (0)	Green
	PMI 50	Upgrading of flood defences to 1 in 200 year standard 1) Rossall hospital to Fleetwood Golf Course 2) Fleetwood Docks to Hillhouse 3) Hillhouse to Stannah	Anticipated completion date 1)2018 2)2021 3)2021	1) Completed 2) Yet to commence 3) Yet to commence	1) Completed 2) Yet to commence 3) Yet to commence	Red
	PMI 51	Number of planning permissions incorporating Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)	Monitor improvement	30	26	N/A
	PMI 52	Inappropriate development in the Coastal Change Management Area (CCMA) a) completed annually b)with extant planning permission	Monitor take up	a) None (0) b) One (1)	a) None (0) b) None (0)	N/A
	PMI 53	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards flood prevention	Monitor contributions	£0	£0	N/A
	PMI 54 SAI 13/1 SAI 13/2	Measure air pollutants within Air Quality Management Areas (AQMA)	<40 ug/m <sup>3</sup>	2021 = 22ug/m <sup>3</sup> (Site R1-3) and	2022= 21.1ug/m <sup>3</sup> (Site R1-3)	Green

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2023/24 Output	Performance
				21.2ug/m <sup>3</sup> (Site R4-6)	and 20.1ug/m <sup>3</sup> (Site R4-6) 2023= 20.3ug/m <sup>3</sup> (Site R1-3) and 19.5ug/m <sup>3</sup> (Site R4-6)	
	PMI 55	Number of total and new AQMAs designated in the Borough	Monitor change	Remains 1 AQMA No new (0)	Remains 1 AQMA No new (0)	N/A
	PMI 56 SAI 11/3	Bathing water quality	Improve to "excellent"	2022 = Good	2023 = Good	Amber
	PMI 57	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to HSE advice	None (0)	None (0)	None (0)	Green
	SAI 11/1	Rivers reaching Good Ecological Status (GES)	60% of Rivers to be Improve to 'Good' status by 2021	Latest available data is from 2019	Latest available data is from 2019	Red

## **12.14 Policy Conclusions**

**12.14.1** As is evident from the environmental impact chapter, through the implementation of indicators, the policies (SP and CDMP) are overall performing successfully and meeting the objectives set out.

**12.14.2** The borough has a rich resource of environmental assets which provide significant economic, social and environmental benefits. It is important that growth proposed in the Local Plan does not adversely impact on the quality of the existing assets.

**12.14.3** Bathing water quality remains at status good and there has been no development granted contrary to the advice from the Environment Agency on flood risk or water quality grounds.

**12.14.4** It was ambitious to assume that the target of 60% of rivers to improve to 'good' status by 2021 could be achieved. This is an area of concern as this is contrary to the objective of minimising pollution and this national target has not been met due to insufficient investment.

## **13 Society (Objective 12)**

### **13.1 Introduction**

This chapter provides an accurate indication that objective 12 of the Local Plan is being implemented correctly and successfully and monitors the performance of policies SP1, SP2, CDMP1, CDMP3 and CDMP6. These are monitored using the following Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI); PMI58, PMI59, PMI60, PMI61 and PMI62. Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI) are also used where appropriate. The Local Plan policies can be viewed in Appendix A, PMI's can be viewed in Appendix B and SAI's in Appendix C.

Objective 12 states:

*“To provide the basis to work with partners and stakeholders to make Wyre an attractive place to live, work, do business and visit as an integral part of the Fylde Coast sub-region.”*

### **13.2 PMI58 & SAI1/1 - Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for crime deprivation**

13.2.1 From 2019 data, there were a total number of three (3) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for crime deprivation. Wards included; Mount, Pharos and Park.

### **13.3 PMI59 & SAI5/1 - Number of LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for barriers to housing and services provision deprivation**

13.3.1 From 2019 data, there were zero (0) LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for barriers to housing and services provision deprivation.

### **13.4 PMI60 & SAI4/4- Number and location of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for Living Environment deprivation**

13.4.1 From 2019 data, there were a total of two (2) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for living environment deprivation. Wards included; Pharos and Mount.

### **13.5 PMI61 & SAI6/4 - Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for income deprivation**

13.5.1 From 2019 data, there were six (6) wards in the bottom 10% most deprived for income deprivation. Wards included: Rossall, Warren, Pharos, Mount, Park and Jubilee.

### **13.6 PMI62 & SA1/2 - Crime rates per 1,000 of the population for key offences**

13.6.1 Table 13.1 contains data showing recorded crime rates for key offences in Wyre between April 2022 and March 2024.



**TABLE 13.1: RECORDED CRIME FOR KEY OFFENCES IN WYRE, APRIL 2022 - MARCH 2023 & APRIL 2023 – MARCH 2024 (ONS)**

<b>Offence Categorisation</b>	<b>April 2022 - March 2023</b>	<b>April 2023 - March 2024</b>	<b>Per 1,000 Population</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Violence against the person	3,033	3,153	27.5	+3.96
Sexual Offences	249	286	2.5	+14.86
Robbery	27	39	0.3	+44.44
Theft Offences	2,014	2,062	18.0	+2.38%
Criminal damage and arson	792	842	7.3	+6.31
<b>Total recorded crime - excluding fraud</b>	<b>6,934</b>	<b>7,233</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>+4.17</b>

13.6.2 As can be seen, total recorded crime has increased (4.17%) from the previous monitoring period. All categories have seen increases; Violence against the person (3.96%), Theft (2.38%) and Criminal damage and arson (6.31%) with small increases whilst there has been considerably more Sexual offences (14.86%) and Robbery (44.44%).

### 13.7 Indicators Analysis

13.7.1 Table 13.2 illustrates how local plan policies perform against indicators, where possible, comparing data from the previous year and where targets have been set out by the council.

**Table 13.2: Society (Objective 12) Indicator Performance Analysis**

<b>Policies</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comparator / Target</b>	<b>2022/23 Output</b>	<b>2023/24 Output</b>	<b>Performance</b>
SP1 SP2	PMI 58 SAI 1/1	Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for crime deprivation	Decrease	3	3	Green
CDMP1 CDMP3 CDMP6	PMI 59 SAI 5/1	Number of LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for barriers to housing and services provision deprivation	Decrease	None (0)	None (0)	Green
	PMI 60 SAI 4/4	Number and location of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for Living Environment deprivation	Decrease	2	2	Green
	PMI 61 SAI 6/4	Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for income deprivation	Decrease	6	6	Green
	PMI 62 SAI 1/2	Crime rates per 1,000 of the population for key offences	Decrease	April 2022 – March 2023 = 61.7	April 2023 – March 2024 = 63.0	Red

## **13.8 Policy Conclusions**

**13.8.1** Progress will become more apparent when the next data is released in relation to the indices of multiple deprivation. This will inform the council as to whether the policies (SP and CDMP) are performing effectively or not.

**13.8.2** Total recorded crime (excluding fraud) across Wyre has increased by 4.17% from the previous year. The most common offences are violence against the person (3,153) and theft (2,062). Areas suffering from deprivation for both crime and living environment remain the same due to the data being released on a 4-year cycle and so, further conclusions can be drawn when the new indices are published.

**13.8.3** Wyre remains to be an integral part of the Fylde Coast sub-region and will continue to remain an attractive place to live and work due to the low number of wards in the lowest 10% for deprivation.

## **14 Progress against the Local Development Scheme (LDS)**

14.1.1 Government legislation and guidance sets out the procedure for the statutory stages that councils should follow and undertake when preparing and reviewing their adopted development plan documents. The legislation does not include specifics on how councils should carry out the early stages of the preparation and consultation. The council sets out how it intends to consult in its Statement of Community Involvement.

14.1.2 Amendments to that legislation, including the publication of the Town and Country (Local Planning) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, set out that Councils must review certain documents within a five year period from adoption. This monitoring report and subsequent reports could therefore act as substantial triggers for some of those reviews.

14.1.3 The current LDS was published in October 2023 and sets out the main local planning documents the council will produce, including setting out the timescales for the preparation of a new Local Plan.

14.1.4 Table 14.1 indicates the timescales involved with the Local Plan.

**Table 14.1: Local Plan Timetable**

<b>Regulation</b>	<b>Stage Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Status</b>
Reg 18	Preparation of a local plan	January 2022 to Summer 2024	Ongoing
	Scoping consultation	January 2022	Complete
	Issues and Options consultation	Summer 2024	Complete
Reg 19	Publication of a local plan	Spring 2025	
Reg 20	Representations relating to a local plan	Spring 2025	
Reg 22	Submission of documents and information to the Secretary of State	June 2025	
Reg 23 & 24	EIP Hearing Sessions	Autumn 2025	
Reg 25	Publication of the recommendations of the appointed person <sup>6</sup>	Spring 2026	
Reg 26	Adoption of a local plan	Late summer 2026	

<sup>6</sup> See Procedural Practice in the Examination of Local Plans, Planning Inspectorate 2016 (4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

14.1.5 The council adopted the latest version of the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) in April 2022.

## **15 Progress against the Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP)**

15.1.1 The IDP is a supporting document to the Wyre Local Plan 2011-2031. The IDP sets out what level of new or improved infrastructure will be required to deliver the growth proposed in the Wyre Local Plan.

15.1.2 An important part of creating sustainable communities is ensuring that the necessary supporting infrastructure is provided. The IDP identifies physical, social and environmental infrastructure.

15.1.3 Physical infrastructure includes, transport, utilities, electricity, gas, water, waste water and drainage and telecommunications. Social infrastructure includes, health, educational facilities, emergency services, cemeteries, libraries and community facilities. Environmental infrastructure includes, green infrastructure, sport, open space and recreating, flood defence attenuation and waste management and minerals production.

15.1.4 In terms of the IDP content, it is not appropriate to include every scheme or project planned by every infrastructure provider or service operator in the Borough. For this reason Table 15.1 illustrates an update on the IDP for infrastructure that has been categorised as critical.

**Table 15.1: IDP update on critical projects**

<b>Infrastructure Category</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>2024 Position</b>
<b>Transport. Update has been provided by LCC Highways.</b>		
Transport	Skippool to windy harbour junction improvements (Bypass)	Complete.
Transport	Victoria road junction improvements	Highways England Scheme.
Transport	Norcross Road/Fleetwood Road junction improvements	Under review.
Transport	Thistleton Road/Mile Road junction improvements	Highways England Scheme.
Transport	M55 junction 3 improvements	Highways England Scheme.
Transport	A6 Barton to Garstang Sustainable Transport Strategy	Additional funding secured. Cabinet approval. With Road Safety.
Transport	Wider Improvement of A6 Preston Lancaster New Road/Croston Barn Road/Green Lane West/B5272 Cockerham Road/Croston Road Signalised Junction	Additional funding secured. Cabinet approval. With Road Safety.

Infrastructure Category	Project	2024 Position
Transport	Improvement of Moss Lane/Longmoor Lane Priority Junction	Additional funding secured. Cabinet approval. With Road Safety.
Transport	Improvement of A6/A586, 'The Avenue' priority junction	Additional funding secured. Cabinet approval. With Road Safety.
Transport	A6/M55 Jct. 1, Westbound off Slip Improvement. Additional lane on westbound off slip	Under review.
Transport	A6/M55Jct. 1, Eastbound off Slip Improvement. Additional lane on eastbound off slip	Under review.
Transport	Improvements to Hardhorn Road with Highcross Road/Beech Drive junction	Part of the Poulton Mitigation Strategy- Ongoing.
Transport	Improvements to Hardhorn Road/Garstang Road East	Part of the Poulton Mitigation Strategy- Ongoing.
Transport	Improvements to Garstang Road East and junction with Lower Green	Part of the Poulton Mitigation Strategy- Ongoing.
Transport	Traffic management measures, sustainability town centre car park and town centre changes in Poulton-le-Fylde	Part of the Poulton Mitigation Strategy - Ongoing.
Transport	Access road to residential allocation in Thornton	Ongoing.
<b>Education. Update has been provided by LCC Education.</b>		
Education	Additional primary school places in Thornton – new school	There is an ongoing dialogue around land contribution and equalisation between LCC and WBC. The application granted planning permission and has identified the location and size of a school site. This is reserved for such a purpose, if required.
Education	Additional primary school places in Poulton – new school	There is an ongoing dialogue around land contribution and equalisation between LCC and WBC. The application granted planning permission and has identified the location and size of a school site. This is reserved for such a purpose, if required.
Education	Additional primary school places in Hambleton/Stalmine – new school/extension to existing school (as required)	It was determined at application stage that no school site was required on this allocation. There is provision for land (if

Infrastructure Category	Project	2024 Position
		required) to accommodate a school expansion.
Education	Additional primary school places in Great Eccleston – new school	A Masterplan has been approved by WBC. Ongoing dialogue around the need for school places in this area. This is currently under review and will be shared with WBC in due course.
Education	Additional primary school places in Inskip – extension to existing school	Ongoing dialogue around the need for schools places in this area. This is currently under review and will be shared with WBC in due course.
Education	Additional primary school places required in Forton - Extension to existing school	LCC has reserved land for provision of a school extension should this be needed against this development site. Conversations with the developer are taking place and movement on this site will be shared with WBC in due course. Currently under review.
Education	Additional primary school places in Garstang – new school	Early discussions have been had with the developer. This is currently under review and will be shared with WBC in due course.
Education	Additional secondary school places - expansion of existing schools	If there is a need for secondary school places, LCC would have identified these at Local Plan stage and reiterated at individual Masterplan Consultations, as and when they were consulted on.
<b>Healthcare. Update has been provided by the Integrated Care Board.</b>		
Healthcare	Expansion to GP practices in Thornton and/or Poulton as necessary	Queensway relocation still under review for the Civic centre site.
Healthcare	Relocation of Great Eccleston GP surgery	Land secured but development cannot proceed until developer has completed all of the infrastructure, roads, drainage, utilities etc
Healthcare	Expansion to GP practice in Garstang as necessary	Details still being agreed with Landlord. Plans prepared finances being agreed.



<b>Infrastructure Category</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>2024 Position</b>
Healthcare	Establish GP branch surgery at Forton as necessary	Forton is no longer an option.
Healthcare	Alterations at Beechwood surgery	Works to complete this year for additional clinical rooms
Healthcare	Expansion of Lockwood surgery	Works to complete this year for additional clinical rooms
Healthcare	Expansion of Over Wyre Medical centre	Plans approved for 2 storey extension. Funding route being explored.
<b>Flood Risk Management. Update has been provided by the Environment Agency (EA).</b>		
Flood Risk Management	Upgrade/replace with duckbill flap Horsebridge Dyke	No update required as scheme complete.
Flood Risk Management	Upgrade/replace with duckbill flap Main Dyke	Not on current EA programme.
Flood Risk Management	Install new top hung flap valve at Yoad Pool outfall	Currently in design process for construction 25/26
Flood Risk Management	Install new top hung flap valve at Wardleys Creek outfall	Planned to be upgraded in Hambleton scheme.
Flood Risk Management	Construction of new outfall and installation of duckbill flap Ramper Pot	No update required as scheme completed by Wyre BC.
Flood Risk Management	Management and maintenance of local water courses (various locations)	Ongoing annual programme.
Flood Risk Management	Repair Rivermede embankment. St.Michaels	Currently in design process for construction 25/26
Flood Risk Management	Repair Broadfleet outfall flap	Currently in design process for construction 25/26
Flood Risk Management	Replace Catterall Footbridge	In Construction, due to be completed Feb 2025
Flood Risk Management	Repair Garstang FSB East Gate	In construction, due to be completed Oct 2025
Flood Risk Management	Install new top hung flap valve at Wild Boar outfall	Currently in design process for construction 25/26
<b>Community Facilities</b>		
Community Facilities	Neighbourhood Centre including community/village hall, Forton	A Masterplan has been approved by WBC. A pending planning application for the village hall has been received.
Community Facilities	Local convenience stores (various locations)	Retail Monitoring is currently under review. A local retail centre has been built at Joe Lane (SA3/2) and a Co-op has been granted planning permission at Lambs Road

Infrastructure Category	Project	2024 Position
		(SA1/2). A new retail study is currently underway.
Community Facilities	Community/village hall, including small local convenience store, Great Eccleston	A Masterplan has been approved by WBC.

15.1.5 With regards to those non critical infrastructure projects, and also categories including telecoms, energy, water and wastewater, emergency services and cemeteries – the council is considering methodology to be implemented in order to monitor the progress. This is due to these services coming forward by the relevant service provider as and when they are required.

## 16 Duty to Co-operate

16.1.1 The Localism Act (2011) imposes a duty on councils to co-operate with other councils and bodies on planning issues that cross administrative boundaries. Paragraph 25 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2023) (NPPF) outlines:

*“Strategic Policy-making authorities should collaborate to identify the relevant strategic matters which they need to address in their plans.”*

16.1.2 Those strategic priorities identified as requiring cross boundary cooperation include:

- Housing (including affordable housing), employment, retail, leisure and other commercial development.
- Infrastructure for transport, telecommunications, security, waste management, water supply, wastewater, flood risk and coastal change management, and the provision of minerals and energy (including heat).
- Community facilities (such as health, education and cultural infrastructure)
- Conservation and enhancement of the natural, built and historic environment, including landscapes and green infrastructure, and planning measures to address climate change mitigation and adaptation.

16.1.3 NPPF Paragraph 27 states that:

*“In order to demonstrate effective and on-going joint working, strategic policymaking authorities should prepare and maintain one or more statements of common ground, documenting the cross-boundary matters being addressed and progress in cooperating to address these.”*

16.1.4 The duty seeks to ensure that all of the bodies involved in planning and development work cohesively on issues that are bigger than local significance.

16.1.5 Figure 16.1 illustrates neighbouring local authorities to Wyre. Other bodies most relevant to Wyre include:

National Highways;

Environment Agency;

Historic England;

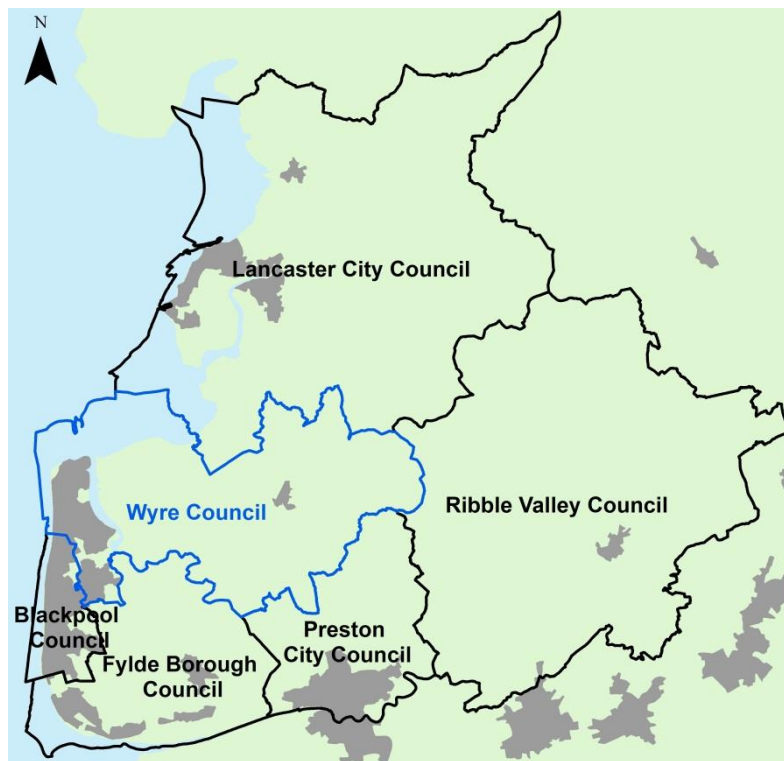
Natural England;

Integrated Care Board;

Lancashire County Council as Local Highway Authority, Local Education Authority and Local Lead Flood Authority;

Marine Management Organisation.

**Figure 16.1 – Neighbouring Authorities to Wyre Council**



16.1.6 Local authorities are also required to have regard to Local Enterprise Partnerships and Local Nature Partnerships. Those of relevance to Wyre are:

- Lancashire Local Enterprise Partnership;
- Lancashire Local Nature Partnership; and
- Morecambe Bay Local Nature Partnership.

16.1.7 The Town and Country (Local Plan) (England) Regulations 2012 require the Duty to Cooperate to be monitored as part of the AMR. The council submitted a Duty to Co-operate Statement of Compliance which set out the background to the Partial Update, the pertinent strategic matters, and an overview of the engagement and cooperation that has taken place. The Local Inspector was satisfied that the council had met the legal requirement to co-operate as the council had engaged constructively, actively and on an on-going basis in the preparation of the Plan. The Inspector’s Report can be found here: <https://www.wyre.gov.uk/planning-policy/local-plan-partial-review-2011-2031-1/6>

16.1.8 The Duty to cooperate is on-going and the council remains engaged in ongoing collaborative working under Duty to Co-operate with adjoining local authorities and other bodies.

16.1.9 The council are currently fulfilling the Duty to Cooperate in the following ways:

- Under the Fylde Coast Memorandum of Understanding between Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre councils and Lancashire County Council, the council has

continued to have regular meetings with Fylde and Blackpool councils and Lancashire County Council in relation to cross boundary matters.

- Through joint evidence gathering with neighbouring authorities where appropriate.
- Through the operation of various stakeholder and topic based working groups such as the Making Space for Water, Wyre Flood Forum and Forest of Bowland National Landscape Partnership.
- Officers from the council's Planning Policy team attend meetings with LCC Highways and Education Authorities, the Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB and National Highways as required discussing strategic matters.
- Council officers also attend the Lancashire Planning Policy Officers Group and Lancashire Economic Development Officer Group. The groups are made up of representatives from each of the planning policy and economic development teams across Lancashire and the County Council and meet quarterly to discuss various strategic issues.

## **17 Neighbourhood Planning**

**17.1.1** Neighbourhood planning gives town and parish councils or newly formed neighbourhood forums the opportunity to prepare, with the community they represent, a planning document to shape the future of the places where they live and work. Neighbourhood planning allows communities to set planning policies through a neighbourhood development plan or grant planning permission through a neighbourhood development order. A neighbourhood plan cannot be used to prevent or stifle development.

At the start of the neighbourhood planning process, the neighbourhood area which the community intend to produce a plan for has to be formally agreed. The neighbourhood planning regulations set out the detailed process for the preparation of neighbourhood plans. Once a neighbourhood plan is 'made' (adopted) it becomes part of the statutory development plan for that area and is used alongside local and national planning policy and guidance to determine planning applications within the neighbourhood area.

**17.1.2** As can be seen in Table 17.1, at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, there remains to be three approved neighbourhood plans in Wyre. No new neighbourhood areas have been submitted for the monitoring year 2023-24.

**17.1.3** The Barton Neighbourhood Plan is the only Plan to have progressed from the early stage of designation of the neighbourhood area. It was submitted to the local authority in November 2022. Following public consultation an Independent Examiner was appointed and the Plan and consultation responses received by the local authority were submitted to the Examiner. The formal process of Independent Examination of the Barton Neighbourhood Plan commenced in March 2023. The Examiners report was received by the council in June 2023 and included recommended modifications. The Examiner recommended that the Plan, once modified, proceeded to local referendum (based on the Neighbourhood Plan area as approved by Preston and Wyre councils on 8 September 2017). The council's relevant Portfolio Holder considered the recommendations made by the Examiner on 14 September 2023. The Council confirmed that the modified BNP would proceed to a Neighbourhood Planning Referendum. This Referendum took place on 9 November 2023. More than 50% (94.4%) of the votes cast in the Referendum were in favour of the Council using the Barton Neighbourhood Plan to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area. On 30 November 2023, following on from the results of the Referendum, the council determined to 'make' (adopt) the Barton Neighbourhood Plan. It now forms part of the Authority's Development Plan and will be used by the council in the determination of planning applications in the designated area of the Barton Neighbourhood Plan.

**Table 17.1: Neighbourhood plan status at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

<b>Neighbourhood Plan</b>	<b>Neighbourhood area applicants</b>	<b>Neighbourhood Area Status</b>	<b>Neighbourhood Plan Stage</b>
Dolphinholme Neighbourhood Plan	Nether Wyresdale and Ellel Parish Council	Approved – 1 February 2017	-
Barton Neighbourhood Plan	Barton and Myerscough and Bilsborrow Parish Council	Approved – 8 September 2017	Adopted 30 November 2023
Garstang Neighbourhood Plan	Garstang Town Council	Approved - 28 February 2018	-

17.1.4 More information is available on the council’s website using the link below.

<https://www.wyre.gov.uk/local-plan/neighbourhood-plans/1>

## 18 Self-build and custom build housing

18.1.1 The Government wants to enable more people to build their own home and Local Planning Authorities in England and Wales are required under the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 (c.17) to keep a register of individuals and associations of individuals seeking to acquire land to build a home.

18.1.2 In keeping a register, Wyre Council is under no obligation to find or provide registered individuals with self-build or custom build plots. The register is not a public document and is treated as confidential. However, the council does publish headline data (i.e. location, type and/or demand) from the register. The council will use the register to inform policies in the emerging Local Plan.

18.1.3 Table 18.1 displays a varied selection of headline data of registered applicants. At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, Wyre had seven (17) individuals registered. This is an increase of one from the previous monitoring year (2022-2023).

**Table 18.1: Headline data from Wyre Self-build Register**

Registered individual/ associations	Type of build	Preferred area(s)	Type of dwelling	Bedrooms
Individual (Single Plot)	Self-build one-off home	Hambleton, Stalmine	Detached, Large Garden	2
Individual (Single Plot), Plot on a larger scheme	Contractor built one-off Home, Self-built one-off home, Kit or package home	Garstang, Bowgreave, Bilsborrow	Bungalow, Large Garden	3
Individual (Single Plot)	Self-build one-off home	Barton, Bilsborrow, Barton	Detached, Large Garden	5
Individual (Single Plot), Plot on a larger scheme	Contractor built one-off home	Thornton Cleveleys, Poulton-le-Fylde	Detached, Bungalow, Large Garden	3 or 4

18.1.4 At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, there was extant planning permission for 6 dwellings, all on single plots, which referenced self-build or custom build in the approved planning application.

18.1.5 Please note that approvals for self-build or custom build dwellings which were already under construction were excluded from the figures.

18.1.6 Further information is available on the Councils website using the link below.

<https://www.wyre.gov.uk/general-information/self-build-custom-build-register/1>



## **19 Brownfield Register**

19.1.1 The government wants to maximise the number of new homes built on brownfield (previously developed) land and has therefore made a commitment to introduce local brownfield registers through the Town and Country Planning (Brownfield Land Register) Regulations 2017.

The councils register (provided in a standard format set nationally) provides publicly available information on brownfield sites that are suitable for housing.

At the time of writing, there are currently 15 sites on the register. The register is updated at least once per annum. The register and associated map is available using the link below.

<https://www.wyre.gov.uk/general-information/brownfield-land-register/1>

19.1.2 The sites that have been identified are considered to be suitable, available, achievable, and have an area of at least 0.25ha or are capable of supporting at least five dwellings.

## **Appendix A: Schedule of Local Plan Policies**

### **Strategic Policies (SP)**

- SP1 – Development Strategy
- SP2 – Sustainable Development
- SP3 – Green Belt
- SP4 – Countryside Areas
- SP5 – Forest of Bowland AONB
- SP6 – Viability
- SP7 – Infrastructure provision & Developer contributions
- SP8 – Health and wellbeing

### **Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)**

- CDMP1 – Environmental protection
- CDMP2 – Flood Risk and Surface water management
- CDMP3 – Design
- CDMP4 – Environmental Assets
- CDMP5 – Historic Environment
- CDMP6 – Accessibility and Transport

### **Housing Policies (HP)**

- HP1 – Housing Land Supply
- HP2 – Housing Mix
- HP3 – Affordable Housing
- HP4 – Rural Exceptions
- HP5 – Residential Curtilages
- HP6 – Replacement dwellings in the countryside
- HP7 – Rural workers accommodation in the countryside
- HP8 – Accommodation for Gypsy, travellers and travelling show people
- HP9 – Green Infrastructure in new residential developments
- HP10 – Houses in multiple occupation

### **Economy Policies (EP)**

- EP1 – Employment Land Supply
- EP2 – Existing Employment Areas
- EP3 – Existing Employment sites
- EP4 – Town, District, Local and Neighbourhood centres
- EP5 – Main Town Centre uses
- EP6 – Development in defined primary and secondary frontages
- EP7 – Local convenience stores
- EP8 – Rural Economy
- EP9 – Holiday accommodation
- EP10 – Equestrian Development
- EP11 – Protection of community facilities
- EP12 – Renewable Energy
- EP13 – Telecommunications
- EP14 – Outdoor advertisements and directional signs
- EP15 – Security Shutters

## Appendix B: Schedule of Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMIs)

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
<b>Objective 1</b>						
<b>PMI1</b>	Available employment land, by area (ha)	No target, monitor availability	1			1
<b>PMI2</b>	Amount of gross employment land (Ha) and net floorspace (smq) developed, by type: a) on allocated employment sites (including mix use) b) in existing employment areas c) Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone d) other	43 hectares	1, 2			1, 2, 3, 8
<b>PMI3</b>	Amount of gross employment land (Ha) and net floorspace (sqm) with extant planning permission, by type: a) on allocated employment sites (including mix use)	To meet requirements	1, 2			1,2, 3, 8

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	b) in existing employment areas c) Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone d) other					
<b>PMI4</b>	Amount of gross employment land (Ha) and net floorspace (sqm) lost to alternative uses (non B use class): a) on allocated employment sites (including mix use) b) in existing employment areas c) Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone (regarding employment sites only) d) other	No overall loss				1, 2, 3
<b>PMI5</b>	Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation	Decrease over plan period	1, 2			
<b>Objective 2</b>						

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
<b>PMI6</b>	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards education	No Target. Monitor contributions	7			
<b>PMI7</b>	Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for education, skills and training deprivation	Decrease over plan period	1			
<b>Objective 3</b>						
<b>PMI8</b>	5 year supply of deliverable housing	100% as set out in the latest HIS			1	
<b>PMI9</b>	Housing Trajectory: a) completions in previous years (since 2011) b) completions in reporting year c) extant planning permission from current year (up to 2031) d) managed delivery target	Meet local minimum target of providing 9,285 net new homes 2011-2031 (464 per annum)	1		1	
<b>PMI10</b>	Net additional dwellings on each housing allocation	Monitor take up against the housing trajectory as set out in the latest HIS	1		1	

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	a) completions since 2011 b) with extant planning permission					
<b>PMI11</b>	% and amount of affordable homes, by type and settlement: a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission c) financial contributions	Measure % against Local Plan Policy Standards, by settlement	1, 2, 7		3, 7	
<b>PMI12</b>	Percentage and number of major developments providing housing for older people and people with restricted mobility	20% of 20+ dwellings	1, 2		2	
<b>PMI13</b>	Net additional dwellings, by size, type and tenure: a) in current year b) with extant planning permission	Monitor take up/change			2	
<b>PMI14</b>	Amount of permanent and transit pitch	Monitor take up	1, 2		8	

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	provision for gypsies and travellers					
<b>PMI15</b>	Amount of permanent plot provision for travelling showpeople	To meet locally identified need (GTAA as minimum)	1, 2		8	
<b>PMI16</b>	Number of buildings converted in to Houses of Multiple Occupancy (HMOs)	Monitor take up			10	
<b>Objective 4</b>						
<b>PMI17</b>	Net additional retail floorspace developed, by type: a) in town centres b) in primary shopping areas c) in district, local and neighbourhood centres d) other	No Target. Monitor take up	2			4, 5, 6, 7, 8
<b>PMI18</b>	Net additional retail floorspace with extant planning permission, by type: a) in town centres b) in primary shopping areas c) in district, local and	No Target. Monitor take up	2			4, 5, 6, 7, 8

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	neighbourhood centres d) other					
<b>PMI19</b>	Changes to defined primary and secondary shopping frontages	Monitor change				6
<b>PMI20</b>	Ground floor vacancy rates for Cleveleys, Fleetwood, Garstang, Poulton and Thornton	No Target. Monitor change	2			4
<b>Objective 5</b>						
<b>PMI21</b>	Percentage of new dwellings approved within 1km of key services	Monitor take up	2			
<b>PMI22</b>	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards health care	No Target. Monitor contributions	7			
<b>PMI23</b>	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards other infrastructure	No Target. Monitor contributions	7			



Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
<b>PMI24</b>	Number of community facilities, by type and settlement: a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission c) loss to alternative uses	No target. Monitor change				11
<b>Objective 6</b>						
<b>PMI25</b>	Length of total and new dedicated pedestrian and cycle routes	Increase	2, 7, 8	3, 6		
<b>PMI26</b>	No. of developments receiving planning permission with agreed travel plan	No target		6		
<b>PMI27</b>	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards highways	No Target. Monitor contributions	1, 7	6		
<b>PMI28</b>	Percentage and number of new dwellings built within 1km of a bus stop	Monitor take up	2	6		
<b>Objective 7</b>						

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
<b>PMI29</b>	Number and change in areas of biodiversity, geological and landscape importance (i.e. loss or additions (ha) of AONB, SSSIs, GHS, BHS etc.)	No Loss (ha)	1, 2, 5	4		
<b>PMI30</b>	Amount of new development within areas of biodiversity, geological and landscape importance: a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission	No development unless justified	1,2, 5, 7	4		
<b>PMI31</b>	Condition of SSSIs	95% of SSSIs in favourable or recovering condition	1, 2	4		
<b>PMI32</b>	Number of Biological Heritage Sites (BHS) under active management.	Monitor over plan period	1, 2	4		
<b>PMI33</b>	Loss of the best and most versatile agricultural land*	No target. Monitor loss	1, 2	4		
<b>PMI34</b>	Gain/Loss/Number of: a) conservation Areas b) scheduled monuments	Monitor Change		5		

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	c) listed buildings d) parks and Gardens					
<b>PMI35</b>	Number of scheduled monuments and listed buildings considered to be at risk	No increase		5		
<b>Objective 8</b>						
<b>PMI36</b>	Number of new developments (by type) in the Green Belt: a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission	No development unless justified	2, 3			
<b>PMI37</b>	Number of new developments (by type) in the Countryside: a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission	No development, unless justified	1, 2, 4		4, 5, 6, 7	8
<b>Objective 9</b>						
<b>PMI38</b>	Length of total and new dedicated public rights of way (PROW)	Increase	2, 7, 8	3, 4, 6		
<b>PMI39</b>	Number of total and new green flag status parks	Increase over plan period	1, 2	4		

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
<b>PMI40</b>	Amount of Green Infrastructure lost to development (ha)	No Loss (ha)	1, 2	4	9	
<b>PMI41</b>	Amount of new green infrastructure (including public open space) provided through new development: a) on-site b) off-site contributions through CIL and/or S106 agreements	Monitor provision/contributions against Local Plan Policy Standards	1, 7,8	3, 4	9	
<b>PMI42</b>	Number of open space sites above 80% quality score	Increase over plan period	1, 2	3, 4	9	
<b>PMI43</b>	Number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation	Decrease over plan period	1, 2, 8			
<b>PMI44</b>	Number of Health Impact Assessments (HIA)	Monitor take up	8			
<b>Objective 10</b>						
<b>PMI45</b>	Per capita amount of CO2 emissions in the LA area	No target, monitor change				12

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
<b>PMI46</b>	New renewable energy installations, by type (Feed in tariff in MW)	Increase	2			12
<b>PMI47</b>	Number of Electric Vehicle Recharging Points	Increase over plan period	2	1, 6		12
<b>Objective 11</b>						
<b>PMI48</b>	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice in areas at risk from flooding	None (0)	2	2		
<b>PMI49</b>	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice on water quality grounds	None (0)	2	2		
<b>PMI50</b>	Upgrading of flood defences to 1 in 200 year standard at: 1) Rossall Hospital to Fleetwood Golf Course 2) Fleetwood Docks to Hillhouse 3) Hillhouse to Stanah	Anticipated Completion by 1) 2018 2) 2021 3) 2021	2, 7	2		

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
<b>PMI51</b>	Number of planning permissions incorporating SuDS	No Target. Monitor improvement	2, 7	2		
<b>PMI52</b>	Inappropriate development in the Coastal Change Management Area: a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission	Monitor take up	4			
<b>PMI53</b>	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards flood prevention	No Target. Monitor contributions	7	2		
<b>PMI54</b>	Measure air pollutants within Air Quality Management Areas (AQMA)	Monitor change	1	1		
<b>PMI55</b>	Number of total and new AQMAs designated in the Borough	Monitor change		1		
<b>PMI56</b>	Bathing water quality	Improve to 'Excellent' rating	1	4		

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
<b>PMI57</b>	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to HSE advice	None (0)		1		
<b>Objective 12</b>						
<b>PMI58</b>	Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for crime deprivation.	Decrease over plan period	1	3		
<b>PMI59</b>	Number of LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for barriers to housing and services provision deprivation.	Decrease over plan period	1, 2	6		
<b>PMI60</b>	Number and location of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for Living Environment deprivation	Decrease over plan period	1, 2	1		
<b>PMI61</b>	Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for income deprivation	Decrease over plan period	1			
<b>PMI62</b>	Crime rates per 1,000 of the population for key offences.	Decrease over plan period		3		

## Appendix C: Schedule of Sustainability Appraisal Indicators (SAI)

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
SAI1/1	To reduce crime, disorder and fear of crime	Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for crime deprivation.	Reduce the number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 30% most deprived
SAI1/2	To reduce crime, disorder and fear of crime	Crime rates per 1,000 of the population for key offences.	Reduce the number of crimes per 1,000 population
SAI2/1	To improve levels of educational attainment for all age groups and all sectors of society	Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for education, skills and training deprivation	Ensure sufficient school places are available to meet the needs of new development
SAI2/2	To improve levels of educational attainment for all age groups and all sectors of society	Location and number of school places available	Ensure sufficient school places are available to meet the needs of new development
SAI2/3	To improve levels of educational attainment for all age groups and all sectors of society	% of working age residents with national vocational qualifications (NVQs)	Ensure sufficient school places are available to meet the needs of new development
SAI3/1	To improve physical and mental health and wellbeing for all and reduce health inequalities	Percentage of resident population who consider themselves to be in good health	Reduce the number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation
SAI3/2	To improve physical and mental health and wellbeing for all and reduce health inequalities	Number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation	Reduce the number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation



SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
SAI3/3	To improve physical and mental health and wellbeing for all and reduce health inequalities	Percentage of new dwellings within 1km of key services	Reduce the number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation
SAI3/4	To improve physical and mental health and wellbeing for all and reduce health inequalities	Number of open space sites within 80% quality score.	Target (if appropriate to the indicator) to be developed
SAI3/5	To improve physical and mental health and wellbeing for all and reduce health inequalities	Length of new dedicated pedestrian and cycle routes	Target (if appropriate to the indicator) to be developed
SAI4/1	To ensure housing provision meets local needs	Net additional dwellings on each housing allocation	Annual dwelling completions against requirement target of 460 per annum.
SAI4/2	To ensure housing provision meets local needs	Net additional dwellings by size, type and tenure	Number of homes within developments of 11 or more designed to specifically accommodate or adaptable for older people
SAI4/3	To ensure housing provision meets local needs	% and number of affordable homes by type and settlement	Number of market housing schemes of 10 or more dwellings that provide 30% affordable homes
SAI4/4	To ensure housing provision meets local needs	Number and location of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for Living Environment deprivation	Reduce number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% for living environment deprivation
SAI4/5	To ensure housing provision meets local needs	Percentage of vacant dwellings (C3)	Decrease number of vacant dwellings

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
SAI4/6	To ensure housing provision meets local needs	Amount of permanent and transit pitch provision for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople.	Target (if appropriate to the indicator) to be developed
SAI4/7	To ensure housing provision meets local needs	Amount of permanent plot provision for travelling showpeople	Target (if appropriate to the indicator) to be developed
SAI5/1	To improve sustainable access to basic goods, services and amenities for all groups]	Number of LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for barriers to housing and services provision.	Reduce number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% for barriers to housing and services provision
SAI5/2	To improve sustainable access to basic goods, services and amenities for all groups]	Percentage and number of new dwellings built within 1km of a bus stop	Target (if appropriate to the indicator) to be developed
SAI5/3	To improve sustainable access to basic goods, services and amenities for all groups]	Length of Public Rights of Way (PROW)	No loss of PROW
SAI6/1	To encourage sustainable economic growth, inclusion and business development across the borough	Economic activity rate	Target (if appropriate to the indicator) to be developed
SAI6/2	To encourage sustainable economic growth, inclusion and business development across the borough	Percentage of employment and occupation	Target (if appropriate to the indicator) to be developed

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
SAI6/3	To encourage sustainable economic growth, inclusion and business development across the borough	Available of employment land	Target (if appropriate to the indicator) to be developed
SAI6/4	To encourage sustainable economic growth, inclusion and business development across the borough	Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation and income deprivation	To reduce number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% for employment and income deprivation.
SAI6/5	To encourage sustainable economic growth, inclusion and business development across the borough	Employment land take-up	Cumulative take-up of land for employment development to plan period requirement of 43ha.
SAI6/6	To encourage sustainable economic growth, inclusion and business development across the borough	Retail take-up	Target (if appropriate to the indicator) to be developed
SAI7/1	To deliver urban renaissance	Indicators proposed for other objectives should be monitored as they all make a contribution to the achievement of this SA Objective.	n/a
SAI8/1	To protect and enhance biodiversity	Number and change in areas of biodiversity, geological importance and landscape	Maintain and improve condition of designated sites
SAI8/2	To protect and enhance biodiversity	Condition of SSSIs	Increase area of habitat provided across the district  No net loss of biodiversity

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
SAI8/3	To protect and enhance biodiversity	Number of BHSs under Active Management.	Increase area of habitat provided across the district  No net loss of biodiversity
SAI8/4	To protect and enhance biodiversity	Areas ancient woodland	No loss of ancient woodland as a result of new development
SAI9/1	To protect and enhance the borough's landscape and townscape character and quality	Amount of green infrastructure lost to development	No net loss of green infrastructure to development (without appropriate mitigation).
SAI9/2	To protect and enhance the borough's landscape and townscape character and quality	Number and total of Green Flag Award parks	Increase number of Green Flag Award parks
SAI9/3	To protect and enhance the borough's landscape and townscape character and quality	Some biodiversity indicators are also relevant in relation to greenspace access.	n/a
SAI10/1	To protect and enhance the cultural heritage resources	Gain/loss/number of heritage assets	No loss of Listed Buildings, Scheduled Monuments, Conservation Areas and Registered Parks and Gardens

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
SAI10/2	To protect and enhance the cultural heritage resources	Number of scheduled monuments and listed buildings at risk	Reduce number of heritage assets at risk
SAI11/1	To protect and enhance the quality of water features and resources and reduce the risk of flooding	Rivers reaching Good Ecological Status	Prevent deterioration of the status of all surface water and groundwater bodies  Protect, enhance and restore all bodies of surface water and groundwater with the aim of achieving Good Status for surface water and groundwater
SAI11/2	To protect and enhance the quality of water features and resources and reduce the risk of flooding	Number of planning applications granted permission contrary to Environment Agency advice regarding flooding.	No planning permissions to be granted contrary to EA advice on flooding
SAI11/3	To protect and enhance the quality of water features and resources and reduce the risk of flooding	Bathing water quality	To meet EU bathing water standards
SAI12/1	To limit and adapt to climate change	Local rail patronage	Rail usage to increase
SAI12/2	To limit and adapt to climate change	Indicators used to monitor the implementation of the Local Transport Plan	Targets to be developed
SAI12/3	To limit and adapt to climate change	Number of Electric Vehicle Recharging Points	Increase

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
SAI13/1	To protect and improve air quality	Number and distribution of Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs).	<p>No new AQMAs to be designated in the Borough.</p> <p>Achievement of UK Air Quality Strategy objectives for specific pollutants</p>
SAI13/2	To protect and improve air quality	Local air quality monitoring results for nitrogen and particulates	<p>No new AQMAs to be designated in the Borough.</p> <p>Achievement of UK Air Quality Strategy objectives for specific pollutants</p>
SAI14/1	To ensure sustainable use of natural resources	Impact of new development on Mineral Safeguarding Areas and number of appropriate surveys taken prior to development.	n/a

## **Appendix D: Glossary of terms and abbreviations**

**Appropriate Assessment:** An appropriate assessment, also known as a Habitat Regulation Assessment is required in order to assess the potential effect of the Local Plan on the integrity of a Natura 2000 site e.g. Special Protection Area (SPA) or Special Areas of Conservation (SAC).

**Authorities Monitoring Report (AMR):** A report produced by a local planning authority that assesses the progress and the effectiveness of specified planning policies in development plan documents. It also includes a review of the Local Development Scheme's (LDS) timetable.

**Biological Heritage Site (BHS):** In Lancashire, Local Authorities are required to identify and provide protection to the natural heritage within their districts. These are the most important non-statutory wildlife sites. For example; ancient woodland, species rich grassland and bogs.

**Coastal Change Management Area (CCMA):** An area identified in Local Plans as likely to be affected by coastal change (physical change to the shoreline through erosion, coastal landslip, permanent inundation or coastal accretion).

**Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL):** The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a new charge that local authorities have the power to levy on most types of development to fund infrastructure required to support new growth such as transport, education, health and open space facilities. CIL chargers are based on the size and types of development proposed and are calculated as a charge per square metre.

**Conservation Areas:** areas formally designated by local planning authorities for their special architectural or historical interest.

**Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS):** BEIS was established July 2016 and brings together responsibilities for business, industrial strategy, science, innovation, energy, and climate change, merging the functions of the former BIS and DECC.

**Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG):** DCLG is the Government Department responsible for planning matters, with the responsibility to promote community cohesion and equality, as well as housing, urban regeneration, planning and local government.

**Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ):** DESNZ is the Government Department responsible for delivering security of energy supply, ensuring properly functioning energy markets, encouraging greater energy efficiency and promoting net zero.

**Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA):** DEFRA is a Government Department in the UK.

**Department for Transport (Dft):** The Dft provides leadership across the transport sector to achieve a transport system, which balances the needs of the economy, the environment and society.

**Development Plan Document (DPD):** A document identifying the Council's planning policies and proposals. Development Plan Documents include the Local Plan, Site-Specific Allocations Documents, Area Action Plans and Proposals Map. They are subject to community involvement, consultation and independent examination. A sustainability appraisal is required for each development plan document.

**Duty to Co-operate:** a legal duty on local planning authorities to engage constructively and actively to address strategic cross-boundary matters in preparing Local Plans.

**Environment Agency (EA):** The Environment Agency is a government body responsible for protecting and improving the effects of pollution on the environment in England and Wales. To make sure that air, land and water are looked after.

**Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA):** and EqIA is a systematic way of examining whether a new or existing function, policy or process differentially affects any person or group of persons.

**Evidence Base:** The information and data gathered by the local planning authority to justify the policy approach set out in the Local Plan.

**Examination:** The local planning authority must submit the Local Plan for examination. The examination is carried out by an independent Planning Inspector to consider whether the local plan is 'sound' and meets the 'legal compliance'.

**Green Belt:** An area of land largely around built up areas designated to protect the land from development. The purposes are to restrict urban sprawl safeguard the countryside, preserve the character of historic towns and to encourage the use of Brownfield sites for development.

**Greenfield Site:** Land not previously developed (PDL), usually agricultural land.

**Habitats Regulation Assessment:** Please see *Appropriate Assessment*.

**Health Impact Assessment (HIA):** A combination of procedures, methods and tools by which a policy, programme or project may be judged as to its potential effects on the health of a population and the distribution of those effects within the population.

**Highways Authority:** A highway authority is a name given to a body responsible for the administration of public roads. In Lancashire, LCC are the highway authority.

**Highways England:** Highways England is the government company responsible for operating, maintaining and improving the strategic road network of England.

**Historic England:** Historic England are the public body that helps people care for, enjoy and celebrate England's historic environment. It was first established in 1984 and until 1 April 2015 was commonly known as English Heritage. It looks after the National Heritage Collection of more than 400 state-owned historic sites and monuments across England.

**Homes and Community Agency (HCA):** The HCA is the non-departmental public body that helps fund new affordable housing and regulates social housing providers in



England. They also help create successful communities by making more homes and business premises available to residents and business who need them.

**Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD):** The IMD is a set of six indicators (income; employment; health deprivation and disability; education; skills and training; housing; and geographical access to services) to help identify areas for regeneration, at ward level.

**Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP):** The IDP is a plan produced in parallel to preparing the Local Plan which assess the impacts of the proposed development on infrastructure and sets out the necessary infrastructure required to support proposed development.

**Integrated Care Board (ICB):** ICBs are statutory bodies that are responsible for planning and funding most NHS services in an area. They replaced clinical commissioning groups in the NHS in England from 1 July 2022.

**Lancashire County Council (LCC):** LCC is the upper-tier (part of a 'two tier' system of local government) local authority for the non-metropolitan county of Lancashire. Residents who live in Lancashire (excluding Blackpool Council and Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council) will also have a district council providing some of the council services.

**Local Development Documents (LDDs):** These include any document within the Local Development Framework, They comprise Development Plan Documents, Supplementary Planning Documents and the Statement of Community Involvement.

**Local Development Scheme (LDS):** The LDS is a three-year programme, which shows the councils time scale for the preparation and production of Local Development Documents.

**Local Geodiversity Sites (LGSs):** LGSs are protected in the same way as important biological sites, to recognise and protect the importance of certain landforms.

**Localism Act:** A major piece of new legislation, which includes wide-ranging changes to local government, housing and planning. Significantly, the Act abolishes regional planning, and introduces the possibility of Neighbourhood Plans as part of the development plan.

**Local Plan (2011-2031) (incorporating partial update of 2022):** On 26 January 2023 Wyre Council adopted the Wyre Local Plan (2011-2031) (incorporating partial update of 2022). Wyre's new Local Plan is a revised replacement of the Wyre Local Plan (2011-2031) retaining all of its policies except those revised by the partial update.

**Lower Layer Super Output Area (LSOA):** a geographic hierarchy designed to improve the reporting of small area statistics in England and Wales.

**Marine Management Organisation (MMO):** The MMO is an executive non-departmental public body in the United Kingdom which license, regulate and plan marine activities in the seas around England so that they're carried out in a sustainable way.

**National Landscapes:** Previously known as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, a National Landscape is one of 46 Areas within England Wales and Northern Ireland safeguarded in the national interest for its distinctive character and beauty.

**National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF):** The NPPF sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied. It sets out the Government's requirements for the planning system only to the extent that it is relevant, proportionate and necessary to do so. It provides a framework within which local people and their accountable councils can produce their own distinctive local and neighbourhood plans, which reflect the needs and priorities of their communities.

**Natural England (NE):** NE was formed in 2006 and is a non-departmental public body sponsored by DEFRA. It is responsible for ensuring that England's natural environment, including its land, flora and fauna, freshwater and marine environments, geology and soils, are protected and improved. It also has a responsibility to help people enjoy, understand and access the natural environment.

**Neighbourhood Planning:** gives town and parish councils or newly formed neighbourhood forums the opportunity to prepare with the community they represent a planning document to shape the places where they live and work.

**Office for National Statistics (ONS):** ONS is the executive office of the UK statistics Authority and is the UK Government's single largest statistical producer. ONS produces independent information to improve our understanding of the UK's economy and society.

**Office of Rail and Road (ORR):** As of 1 April 2015, the ORR is the economic regulator of Britain's mainline railway and health and safety regulator on Britain's railways. They also monitor England's Strategic Highways network. It was previously the Office of Rail Regulation.

**Previously Developed Land (PDL), also known as Brownfield:** Land previously developed on or was occupied by a permanent structure. Usually associated with derelict urban land. Excludes agriculture or forestry land and previously used land which now has nature conservation or recreation value.

**Public Health England (PHE):** PHE was established on 1 April 2013 to bring together public health specialists from more than 70 organisations into a single public health service. They are an executive agency of the Department of Health, and a distinct delivery organisation with operational autonomy to advise and support government, local authorities and the NHS in a professionally independent manner.

**Ramsar:** Sites designated under the European Ramsar Convention which provide a framework for national and international co-operation to protect wetlands and their resources of international importance, particularly as waterfowl habitats.

**Section 106 Agreement (S106):** A legal agreement under Section 106 of the 1990 Town & Country Planning Act. Section 106 agreements are legal agreements made between a planning authority and a developer, or undertakings offered unilaterally by the developer, that ensure that extra works related to a development are undertaken.

**Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs):** An SSSI is an area that has been identified under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as an area of special interest. Related to the natural heritage of wildlife habitats, geological or physiological features of the site.

**Special Areas of Conservation (SACs):** SACs are designated sites protected under the European Community Habitats Directive, to protect internationally important natural habitats and species.

**Special Protection Areas (SPAs):** SPAs are designated sites protected under the European Community Directive on the conservation of wild birds, also known as the Birds Directive.

**Statement of Community Involvement (SCI):** The statement of Community Involvement is an essential part of the new-look Local Development Framework. The SCI sets out the Council will involve the community at every stage in the preparation, alteration and production of the LDF. The SCI is not a development plan document but will still be subject to an independent examination.

**Statement of Consultation (SoC):** It is a legal requirement of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) 2012 Regulations (SI No.767) that a Statement of Consultation accompanies the submission of the local plan to the Secretary of State. Regulation 22 of the regulations requires the statement to demonstrate:

- who was invited to make representations;
- how they were invited to do so;
- a summary of the main issues raised by the representations; and
- How these have been addressed in the Local Plan.

**Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA):** In accordance with advice from the Environment Agency and in line with Planning Policy statement 25: Development and Flood risk (PPS25), Councils are required to undertake a Strategic Flood Risk Assessment to inform preparation of the LDF and also to provide further details to developers of varying levels of flood risk within the area.

**Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA):** SHLAA is a key component of the evidence base to support the delivery of sufficient land for housing to meet the communities need for more homes.

**Strategic Location for Development (SLD):** A strategic Location for Development is an area identified as a priority for large-scale mixed-use development.

**Sustainability Appraisal (SA):** These are required under new legislation and assess all the policies development plan. They include consideration of social and economic impacts as well as impacts on the environment.

**Super Output Area (SOA):** A SOA is a unit of geography designed for the collection and publication of small area statistics.

**Use Class Order (UCO):** The Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended) and the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development

(England) Order 2015 puts uses of land and buildings into various categories. Planning permission is not required for changes of use within the same use class.

Use Class Order (UCO) from 6 April 2018 – 31 August 2020

- **A1 Shops** – Shops, post offices, travel agents, hairdressers, funeral directors, dry cleaner.
- **A2 Financial and professional services** – Banks, building societies, betting offices, and other financial and professional services.
- **A3 Food and drink** – Restaurants and cafes.
- **A4 Food and drink** – Hot food take-away.
- **B1 Business**
  - (b1a) Offices
  - (b1b) Research and development
  - (b1c) light industry appropriate in a residential area
- **B2 General Industrial**
- **B8 Distribution, including open air storage**
- **C1 Hotels** – Hotels, boarding and guest houses where no significant element of care is provided.
- **C2 Residential institutions** – Residential care homes, hospitals, nursing homes, boarding schools, residential colleges and training centres.
- **C3 Dwelling houses** – Family houses, or houses occupied by up to six residents living together as a single household, including a household where care is provided for residents.
- **D1 Non-residential institutions** – Surgeries, nurseries, day centres schools, art galleries, museums, libraries halls and also churches.
- **D2 Assembly and leisure** – Cinemas, concert halls, bingo and dance halls, casinos, swimming baths, skating rinks, gymnasiums or sports arenas (except for motor sport, or where firearms are used).

Use Class Order (UCO) from 1 September 2020

- **B2 General Industry**
- **B8 Storage and Distribution**
- **C1 Hotels** - Hotels, boarding and guesthouses (where no significant element of care is provided).
- **C2 Residential Institutions** - Residential care homes, hospitals, nursing homes, boarding schools, residential colleges and training centres.
- **C2a Secure Residential Institutions** – Prisons, young offenders’ institutions, detention centres, secure training centres etc.
- **C3 Dwelling houses** – Family houses, or houses occupied by up to six residents living together as a single household, including a household where care is provided for residents.
- **C4 Houses in Multiple Occupation**
- **E Commercial, Business and Service** – Previously Use Classes A1 (Shops (part)), A2 (Financial and professions services), A3 (Food and drink), B1 (Business a,b and c), D1 (Non-residential institutions (part)) and D2 (Assembly and leisure (part)).

- **F1 Learning and non-residential institutions** – Schools, non-residential education and training centres, museums, public libraries, public halls, exhibition halls, places of worship, law court.
- **Class F2 Local Community Uses** – Previously D2 (Non-residential institutions (part)) and A1 Shops (part).
- **Sui Generis (SG)** – Previously A4 (Pub or drinking establishment), A5 (Hot food takeaway), D2 (Assembly and leisure (part)) and Sui Generis (SG).