



## **CALL-IN REQUEST**

Please complete this form to register a request for a decision of the Executive to be 'called in' for consideration by one of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees, in accordance with the Council's Constitution (Part 4.05 - *Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules* – paragraph 14).

### **Contact details**

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Date call-in sent: 13 Oct 2015

### **Details of the decision to be called-in**

Decision title: Coastal Community Fund - Five for Fleetwood  
Decision ref no: arm/ph/pl/cr/15/0009MR1  
Date the decision was taken: 16 October 2015

### **Reasons for call-in and issues to be considered**

We believe inadequate consultation took place. Also, The bungalows would only be accessible to a very few residents and not the community at large.

What issues would you like the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider? \* (please list):

Why the monies cannot be used to complete the skate park to replicate the original design, an extra £90,000 was required and we have £150,000 over?

The fact that the building of beach bungalows would not benefit the wider population of Fleetwood or Wyre.

Do the proposals meet set criteria for CCF? We doubt this fund was set up so councils could immediately sell off or rent something provided by such funding.

\*This will assist officers to ensure that the relevant issues are addressed during the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's consideration of the decision. Use additional sheet if necessary.

Would you like to make a statement or representation in respect of your objection?

Yes  No

**Name of objectors (please print)**

1. Cllr R Duffy
2. Cllr E Anderton
3. Cllr E Stephenson
4. Cllr L Beavers
5. Cllr R Shewan

**N.B** Please note that any request to call-in a decision must be personally **supported** by at least four individual members of the council.

**Please complete and return this form to the Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager, Civic Centre, Breck Road, Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire, FY6 7PU. Alternatively, you can email it to [Roy.Saunders@wyre.gov.uk](mailto:Roy.Saunders@wyre.gov.uk) .**

**If you have any queries or difficulties regarding completion of the form, please contact the scrutiny officer on 01253 887606 or 887481.**

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Date request received:	13 October 2015
Date committee meeting called:	16 October 2015
Date of meeting:	9 November 2015
Signature of the 'Proper Officer':	

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## Portfolio Holder Report

The portfolio holder will make a decision on this item after seven days have elapsed (including the date of publication).

Report of:	Portfolio Holder	Date of publication
Michael Ryan, Director of People and Places	Cllr Peter Murphy, Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder	9 October 2015

### Coastal Community Fund – Five for Fleetwood

#### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To consider allocating the balance of Coastal Community Funds to a further project in Fleetwood.

#### 2. Outcomes

- 2.1 Approval is given to spend the remaining grant funds prior to the deadline of 31 March 2016.

#### 3. Recommendation

- 3.1 That a project incorporating the provision of beach bungalows within part of the colonnade at the Marine Hall at an estimated cost of approximately £150,000 be approved.

#### 4. Background

- 4.1 In response to being allocated £1.55m Coastal Community Funding the Council formulated a Five for Fleetwood concept.

- 4.2 Under that banner, projects have already been delivered covering:-

- Restoration works at Euston Park
- Improvements works at Marine Lake
- Leisure Hub incorporating skate park, splash pad, cafe and extension to the existing children's play area.

- 4.3 In addition, an amount of £60,000 has been allocated as a contribution towards the creation of an Ecology Zone at Rossall as part of the current sea defence project.

- 4.4 It is now proposed to allocate a budget of up to £150,000 towards the creation of beach bungalows fronting the Council's designated bathing facilities at Marine Beach, Fleetwood.
- 4.5 The Resources Portfolio Holder considered a report 4 March, 2014, and agreed to construct ten beach bungalows at Fleetwood Promenade. These bungalows were successfully let on leases with a ten year term by way of either a one off payment or an annual rent. A similar arrangement is proposed for this project.
- 4.6 The project will require planning permission and the submission of quotations for the necessary building works. A plan of the proposed scheme is attached to the report.
- 4.7 All Coastal Community funding must be spent by 31 March, 2016.

**5. Delegated functions**

- 5.1 The matters referred to in this report are considered under the following executive function delegated to the Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder (as set out in Part 3 of the council's constitution): "To deal with issues relating to the function of the Council as the Accountable Body or leading agency, for the management, administration or reporting arrangements of organisations promoting or delivering economic development or regeneration projects".

<b>Financial and legal implications</b>	
Finance	Allocating a budget of up to £150,000 will utilise the remaining balance in the Coastal Community Fund. A tender exercise will be undertaken inviting bids for a ten year lease by way of either one off payment or annual rent. Bids must be in excess of a minimum level, still to be calculated, which will also take into account the anticipated demand and the fact that VAT is payable on the first three years of holiday lets.
Legal	The disposal of the beach bungalows will need to comply with the provisions of S123 Local Government Act 1972.

**Other risks/implications: checklist**

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a ✓ below, the report author will have consulted with the appropriate specialist officers on those implications and addressed them in the body of the report. There are no significant implications arising directly from this report, for those issues marked with a x.

risks/implications	✓ / x
community safety	x
equality and diversity	x
sustainability	x
health and safety	x

risks/implications	✓ / x
asset management	✓
climate change	x
data protection	x

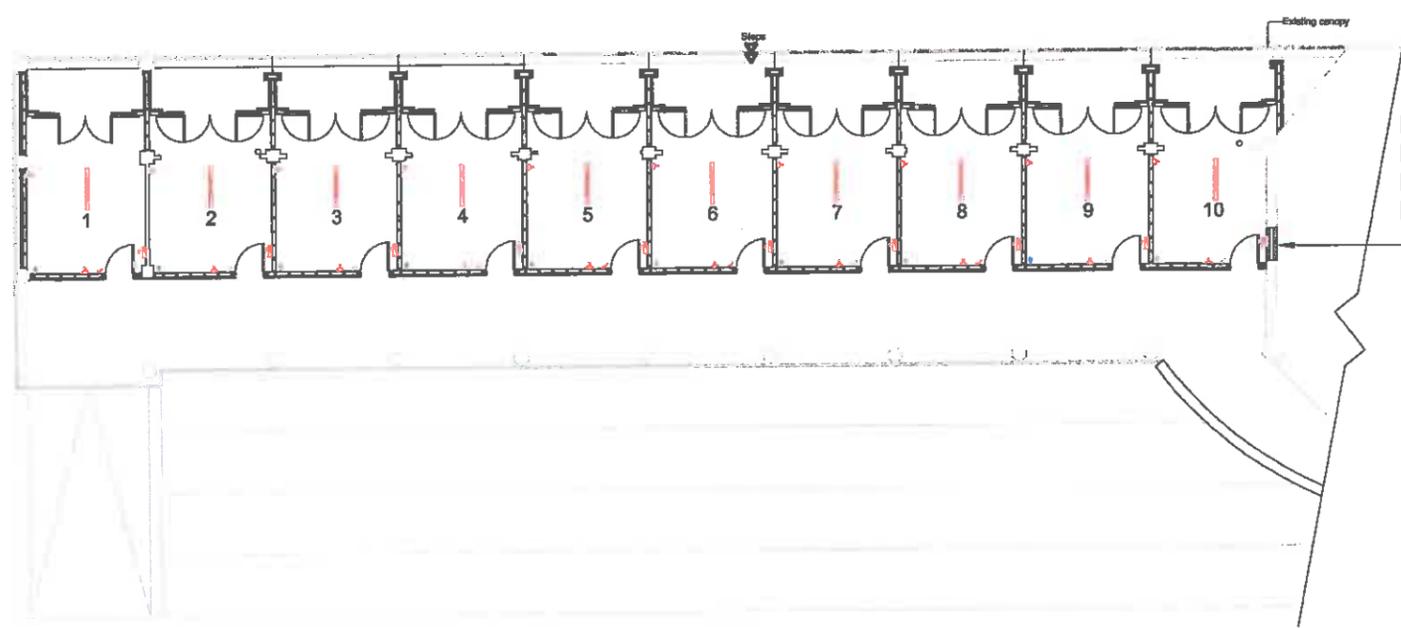
report author	telephone no.	email	date
Michael Ryan	01253 887605	Michael.ryan@wyre.gov.uk	1/10/15

List of background papers:		
name of document	date	where available for inspection

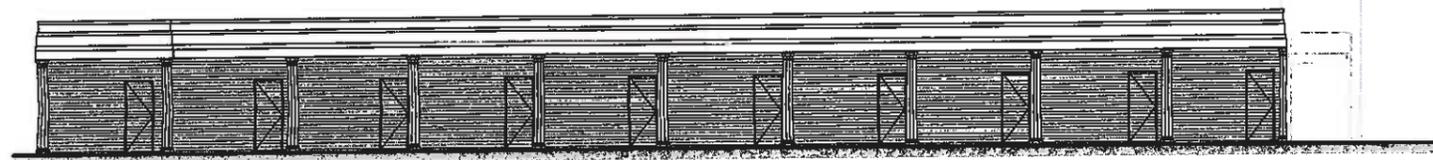
### **List of appendices**

Appendix 1 – Plan of the proposed scheme.

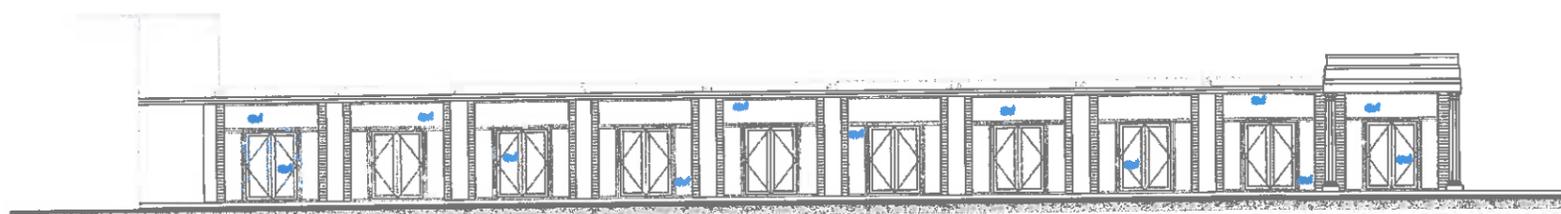
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Proposed Floor Plan



Proposed Elevation From Marine Gardens

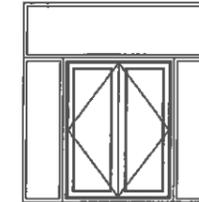
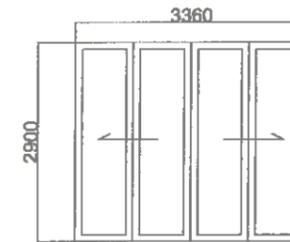


Proposed Elevation From Promenade

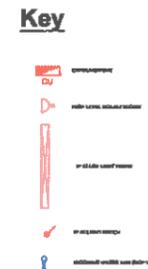
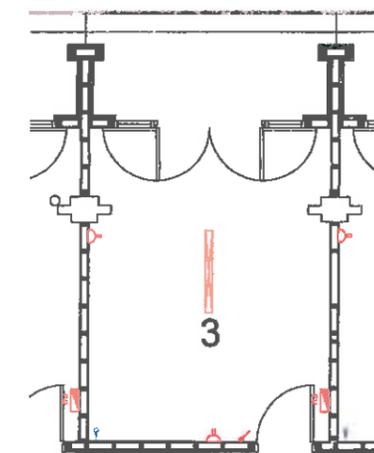
Existing door to be built up using two leaves concrete block

Proposed shutters to be constructed four panels each having a 40x75mm galvanized frame with Frake timber cladding to the center panel fixed using stainless steel tamper proof fixers

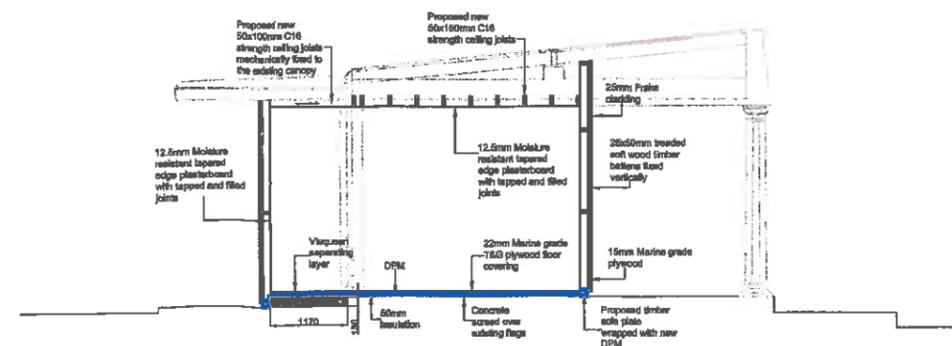
Proposed glazed uPVC screen with Ral 7016 Anthracite Gray foil to the external face. All fittings to be marine grade stainless steel



Door and Shutter Detail



Proposed Floor Plan



Typical Section

DATE:	REVISION:
Civic Centre Breck Road Poulton-le-Flyde Lancashire FY8 7PU	
Tel: 01253 891000 Fax: 01253 889000	
PROJECT: <b>PROPOSED BEACH HUTS PHASE 3</b> AT <b>MARINE HALL COLONNADE,</b> <b>FLEETWOOD</b>	
DRAWING: <b>PROPOSED PLAN</b>	
SCALE: 1:50 /1:100@A1	DATE: SEP'15
DRS. NO: 001/15/P3	



## **Record of a decision taken by the Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder**

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### **Coastal Community Fund – Five for Fleetwood**

On 9 October 2015, the Corporate Director of People and Places submitted a report asking the Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder to consider allocating the balance of Coastal Community Funds to a further project in Fleetwood.

#### **Decision taken**

The Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder approved a project incorporating the provision of beach bungalows within part of the colonnade at the Marine Hall at an estimated cost of approximately £150,000.

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**Date of Publication: 16 October 2015**

#### **What were the reasons for the recommendations and what other options were considered and rejected?**

Full details of the reasons for the recommendation and any alternative options that were considered and rejected are included in the original report.

#### **When will this decision be implemented?**

All decisions will be put into effect five working days from the date of publication, unless a decision is “called-in” by any four members of Wyre Council within that period. The “call-in” procedure is set out in [Part 4 of the Council’s Constitution](#) (Paragraph 17 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules).

The Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder’s decision was called-in on Friday 16 October 2015.

Details of the procedure that will be taken in respect of the call-in are set out below.

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## **Call-in of Portfolio Holder Decision**

The Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder's decision was subject to a call-in on 16 October 2015 and it has been agreed that the call-in will be considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at the meeting scheduled for 6pm on Monday 9 November 2015.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee will hear from the councillors opposed to the initial decision and hear from the Cabinet member who made the decision. The committee will then have the opportunity to ask questions and discuss the issue before deciding to:

- ask the decision maker to reconsider, setting out the nature of its concerns. The decision-maker may then amend the decision or not, before adopting a final decision.
- reject the call-in, in which case the decision will then take effect immediately.

If the committee considers the decision taken to have been outside the policy or budget framework, it may refer the decision to Full Council. Council may then uphold the initial decision or refer it back to the decision maker, together with its views on the decision. The decision maker may then amend the decision or not.

**Date of Publication of call-in notice: 16 October 2015**

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*Record of a decision taken by a Wyre Borough Council Portfolio Holder*

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# FLEETWOOD CIVIC SOCIETY

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21<sup>st</sup> October 2015

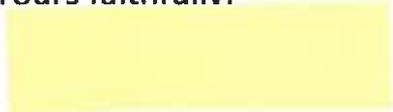
Dear Mr. Foulsham,

Re; Overview & Scrutiny Committee 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015

I refer to my correspondence to Cllr P. Murphy, Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder dated 15<sup>th</sup> October 2015 in relation to proposal to erect new beach chalets in the colonnade of the Marine Hall Fleetwood.

I understand that Cllr. Murphy's report dated 9<sup>th</sup> October 2015 has been "called in" for hearing at the above Committee and I therefore enclose a copy of my original letter for your attention.

Yours faithfully.

  
Secretary.

Enc

Mr. Peter Foulsham,  
Overview & Scrutiny Committee,  
Wyre Council,  
Civic Centre,  
Breck Road,  
Poulton le Fylde FY6 7PU



Mr. Iain M. Johnstone,

[REDACTED]  
Fleetwood, [REDACTED]

21<sup>st</sup> October 2015

Dear Mr. Foulsham,

Re'; Overview & Scrutiny Committee 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015

I refer to the above committee meeting and enclose copy of my original letter to Cllr Murphy for your attention.

Yours faithfully, \_\_\_\_\_

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Mr. Peter Foulsham,  
Overview & Scrutiny Committee,  
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Civic Centre, Breck Road,  
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Mr. Iain M. Johnstone,  
[Redacted]  
Fleetwood, [Redacted]

15<sup>th</sup> October 2015

Dear Cllr. Murphy,

Re'; Cabinet meeting 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015

I have had the opportunity of reading a report dated 9<sup>th</sup> October 2015 which will be considered at the above meeting.

Can you explain why the Council are proposing a new project, in a totally unsuitable location, with a balance of the Coastal Community Funds when the "skate park" to which Fleetwood Town Council have donated funds, is far from complete. This is not a "skate park" as Wyre have been promoting, it is only an unfinished "skate bowl". It has four long hairline cracks up its walls and the surrounding bank has not been addressed to prevent sand, earth ingress. Throughout the consultations the "bowl" was only to be a main feature along with other elements. This area is now highly popular with younger and mature skaters BUT only two or three skaters can use it at any one time which creates dangers of collisions and injuries, frustration and discriminates especially against younger users who tend to be excluded. On the consultation site visit with Mr. Ryan and Mr. Billington when asked how big the "skate park" would be Mr. Billington indicated an area three times the size of the "bowl". We have been told it has run over budget and have to question whether Wyre obtained best value for this element of the Five for Fleetwood.

It should be remembered that Fleetwood has a large population of the youth in the Borough. We would like to see a proper "skate park" completed. It would have many more visitors/users and is likely reduce ASB problems in the area, less "idle hands".

Similarly, can the Council explain why the "splash area" has not been fully completed with seating/awnings prior to undertaking a new project.

I look forward to hearing the Council's responses.

Yours faithfully,

[Redacted Signature]

Cllr. P. Murphy,  
Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder,  
Wyre Council,  
Civic Centre, Breck Road,  
Poulton le Fylde FY6 7PU

For the attention of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 9 November 2015

Email received at Wyre Council on 29 October 2015

Dear Sir

I am writing this e-mail in reference to the £175,000 that is left over from the project Five for Fleetwood and that Wyre Borough are considering using some or all of this money to build a further 10 Beach Chalets.

I believe that some of these 5 projects are still unfinished.

The island on the Boating Lake

The Skate Park

Please, Wyre Borough, you say you want to draw people back to the area to see first-hand what is on offer. Things have to be finished off properly in order to attract visitors otherwise it is seen as a half-hearted attempt to attract them to Fleetwood.

We have a beautiful promenade and a beautiful building in the Marine Hall why would we want to lose part of this to make way for more beach chalets when there is land on the other-side of the Kite Shop where they could be built.

Yours faithfully,

Di Christy  
Fleetwood resident

For the attention of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 9 November 2015

Email received at Wyre Council on 29 October 2015

29<sup>th</sup> October 2015

Dear Mr Foulsham

Can you explain why the Council are proposing a new project, in a totally unsuitable location, with a balance of the Coastal Community Funds when the "skate park" to which Fleetwood Town Council have donated funds, is far from complete? This is not a "skate park" as Wyre have been promoting, it is only an unfinished "skate bowl". It has four long hairline cracks up its walls and the surrounding bank has not been addressed to prevent sand, earth ingress. Throughout the consultations the "bowl" was only to be a main feature along with other elements. This area is now highly popular with younger and mature skaters BUT only two or three skaters can use it at any one time which creates dangers of collisions and injuries, frustration and discriminates especially against younger users who tend to be excluded.

On the consultation site visit with Mr Ryan and Mr Billington when asked how big the "skate park" would be Mr Billington indicated an area three times the size of the "bowl". We have been told it has run over budget and have to question whether Wyre obtained best value for this element of the Five for Fleetwood. It should be remembered that Fleetwood has a large population of the youth in the Borough. We would like to see a proper "skate park" completed. It would have many more visitors/users and is likely reduce ASB problems in the area, less "idle hands".

Also the Boating Lake not finished you can't walk all the way round anymore and the island is a disgrace we got told it had gone over budget, now money left what is going on. Similarly, can the Council explain why the "splash area" has not been fully completed with seating/awnings prior to undertaking a new project?

I look forward to hearing the Council's responses.

Yours faithfully,  
William Hargreaves  
Fleetwood resident



# Fleetwood Town Council

Onward to a Better Future

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30th October 2015

Dear Mr Foulsham,

**Reference: Decision of the Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder dated 9/10/2015**

The Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder approved a project incorporating the provision of beach bungalows within part of the colonnade at the Marine Hall at an estimated cost of approximately £150,000.

Fleetwood Town Council respectfully request that this letter be read out as part of the 'call in' process regarding the above decision at the meeting of the Overview & Scrutiny committee on Monday November 9th 2015.

**Fleetwood Town Council are strongly opposed to this decision for the following reasons:**

1. As the third tier authority we are disappointed at the absolute lack of consultation with the Town Council, regarding this proposal. We should not need to remind you that we are also a financial stakeholder of the Five For Fleetwood scheme, having contributed £20,000 to the Skate Bowl and £20,000 to The Mount Heritage Crest, which has been formally documented as a "landscape feature to further enhance the seafront" within the Five For Fleetwood Annual Monitoring Survey submitted to the Coastal Community Fund.

At a time when the Overview & Scrutiny Committee are conducting a Task & Finish Group on Town & Parish Councils, where the expressed "focus is on the role of elected members in building stronger relationships between Wyre Council and Town and Parish Councils, with a view to establishing closer working relationships", we find this lack of consultation could be viewed as disrespectful.

**Councillors**

T Rogers (Chairman) E. Anderton B. Glasgow M. Barrowclough (Vice Chairman) N. Stuchfield M. Stirzaker  
N. Fearon C. McLaughlan B. Stephenson E. Stephenson R. Hewitt S. Roberts T. Taylor



2. In our view, the status of three of the original projects remains unfinished or unachieved. These are: -

- a) The Boating Lake. Only one third of concrete aprons refurbished and no boats have been returned to the lake.
- b) The Splash Pad. Picnic benches and shading canopy as per the original signed off designs have not been delivered.
- c) The Skate Bowl. The original signed off design to incorporate a 'street scene' alongside the bowl has not been delivered due to a "lack of funding".

**Before any consideration should be given to adding a new, additional project to the remit, we believe the 5 original projects should be completed to the original specification.**

3. The siting of the proposed new beach chalets is unacceptable.

- a) The plans show the rear of the 'beach chalets' to face on to the Marine Hall Gardens and bowling green area. In our experience the rear of the existing chalets are used for drying washing, parking bicycles, other storage etc. and this is most definitely not the image we want visitors to Fleetwood to be greeted with on our glorious promenade.
- b) The Marine Hall itself is one of the iconic, landmark buildings of Fleetwood, celebrating its 80th anniversary in 2015. The colonnades are an original feature of the building and should not be defaced by having beach chalets built into them. This would be utterly out of keeping with the Art Deco architectural style of the building.

Fleetwood Town Council are not opposed to the principle of further beach chalets being built along the seaside in Fleetwood, however there are many more suitable sites which could be considered should you wish to consult with us on the matter. We strongly believe that any such building should be funded directly from Wyre Council budgets and not the Coastal Community Fund.

Fleetwood Town Council respectfully urges all members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee to reject this proposal and refer this decision back to the Portfolio Holder for reconsideration.

Yours sincerely

Cllr. T. Rogers Chairman to Fleetwood Town Council  
On behalf of Fleetwood Town Council

For the attention of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 9 November 2015

Email received at Wyre Council on 30 October 2015

Dear Sir,

re Fleetwood Beach Bungalows

The surplus monies granted for the 'Five for Fleetwood' project should NOT be used for more beach bungalows, as suggested. It should be spent on finishing the jobs it was granted for - the boating lake area, skate park area for younger children.

I object to the proposed beach bungalows being built under the Marine Hall colonnade. This area is totally unsuitable and not in keeping with the area. A more suitable area would be to the west of the kite club/café which is not totally a natural feature, but created, in part, by Wyre Council persistently depositing blown sand there and also when the new bungalows were built, all the sand/earth which had to be removed was deposited on top of this area.

Yours sincerely,

Keith Porter