

Report of:	To:	Date	Item No.
Cllr. David Henderson, Street Scene, Parks and Open Spaces Portfolio Holder	Council	7 September 2017	8(c)

<b>Executive Report: Street Scene, Parks and Open Spaces Portfolio Holder</b>
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## 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To inform Council of progress on key objectives and the current position on issues within the Street Scene, Parks and Open Spaces Portfolio as set out below.

## 2. Street Scene

- 2.1 The consultation for the transition to Public Space Protection Orders for Dog Control has now concluded and the findings are currently being analysed and will be presented to Cabinet next month.
- 2.2 Operatives from the street cleansing and grounds teams have been heavily involved in assisting in the recent clean-up work following the oil pollution incident that affected much of our shoreline.

## 3. Waste and Recycling

- 3.1 I am pleased to report that Council Officers and representatives from Veolia are tonight attending a National Awards Ceremony, where the Waste and Recycling Service has been shortlisted for two awards; the Best Team of the Year and The Best Public / Private Sector Partnership with Veolia.
- 3.2 Officers are working with the Police to assist in promoting safety messages for the Waste and Recycling Operatives following one team member being struck by a car when the driver became impatient and a number of other recent near misses putting operatives and other pedestrians at risk.

## 4. Parks and Open Spaces

- 4.1 'Discovery Club' sessions at the Mount were held each Saturday in August and have proved very popular with children. Fleetwood Civic Society will open the Mount Pavilion this weekend (9-10 September) and activities have been planned to attract visitors and engage them with the proposals for the restoration work and activity programme. The plans reflect the site surveys, consultation with groups and historic research

undertaken so far - some of which has been made possible by the help of volunteers and the library service.

- 4.2** Improvements to Royles Brook at King George's Playing Fields in Thornton are being planned with the help of Wyre Rivers Trust so that the flow is improved and pollutants reduced. When implemented, the Trust hope that this will act as an example of good practice which might lead to further projects to restore the brook.
- 4.3** The results from consultation focussing on Wyre Estuary Country Park have been analysed with problems and opportunities identified. Our future approach to improving facilities in the future is being developed and will be the focus of further consultation starting this autumn.
- 4.4** Events on Parks have been very busy this summer, with August being no exception. Memorial Park hosted its annual dog show and continues with Crafty Afty days of workshops, explorer sessions and the gardening club. Today is the start of the four day Heritage Open Days which is a series of free walks and tours around our local heritage, including the Mount Pavilion and Memorial Park.

## **5. Comments and questions**

- 5.1** In accordance with procedure rule 11.3 any member of council will be able to ask me a question or make a comment on the contents of my report or on any issue, which falls within my area of responsibility. I will respond to any such questions or comments in accordance with procedure rule 11.5.

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