

Report of:	To:	Date	Item no.
Cllr. Roger Berry, Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder	Council	7 September 2017	8(e)

Executive Report: Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1** To inform Council of progress on key objectives and the current position on issues within the Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio as set out below.

2. Community Safety

2.1 Public Space Protection Orders and Community Safety

As reported by the Health and Community Engagement Portfolio Holder we are looking at introducing a Public Space Protection Order to control the feeding of seagulls. Public Space Protection Orders are a community safety measure and is an example of how the Council will use all of the legal tools at its disposal when dealing with neighbourhood nuisance problems. The gathering of quality evidence will be crucial in any subsequent enforcement if the PSPO is adopted.

2.2 Preesall Police Community Safety Event – supported by Wyre Council

The police supported by partners, including ourselves, held a consultation and community safety event on Saturday 29 July at Preesall Fire Station and Preesall Police Office.

I attended to highlight Lancashire Victim Services together with representatives from our Streetscene Service providing advice relating to fly tipping, graffiti and dog fouling. There were lots of freebies for cyclists that included free bike lights, locks and covers together with bike coding provided by the Police Cadets. There was also free dog chipping. The Garstang and Over Wyre Police Team were also present providing advice about Crime Prevention. The event coincided with the Lancashire Constabulary campaign concerning safe passing distances for cyclists.

3. Rossall Coastal Defence Improvement Scheme

- 3.1** Works are now complete to the bridge crossing over the United Utilities outfall. This is a major achievement consisting of 30 tubular steel piles of up to 30m in length with 15 beams and a reinforced concrete deck. The construction took five difficult months of tidal working with tight tolerances for vibration and settlement. This represents the final high risk item.
- 3.2** All three access ramps and groyne cross over ramps are now complete and the landscaping works to the rear of the seawall are progressing well. The only issue to completion remains the wet weather which has restricted placement of the concrete pavements.
- 3.3** Visits have taken place from John Curtin, the Environment Agency's Executive Director of Flood and Coastal Risk. Lancashire County Council and the Armourstone Rock conference have also visited the site.
- 3.4** The final visit from Considerate Constructors gave the site a score of 45 for the second time - one of the highest scores in the country.

4. Comments and questions

- 4.1** 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.