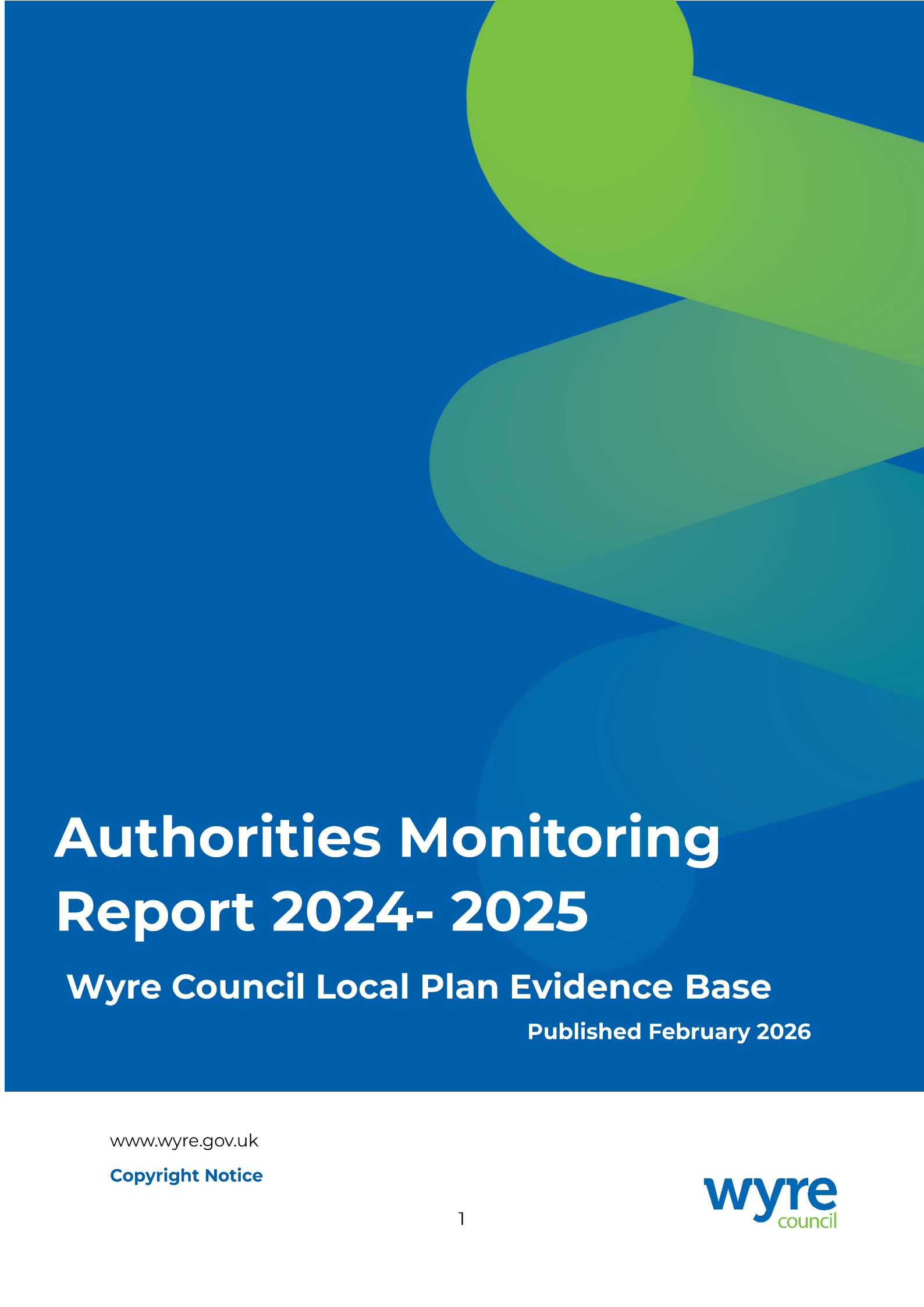




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1 Introduction

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 21st AMR for Wyre Borough and covers the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025. 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 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

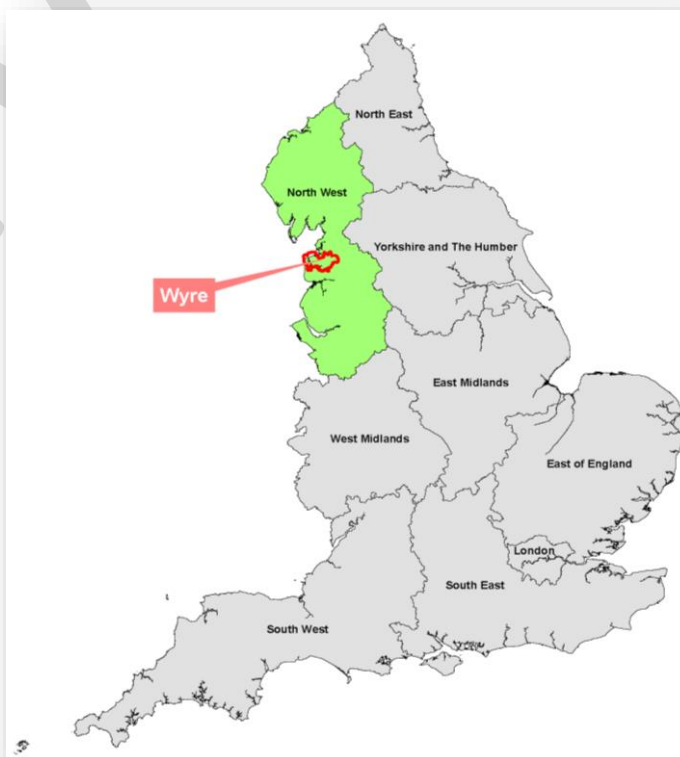
- 2.2.1 Wyre is a Lancashire coastal district bounded by the sea along parts of its western and northern boundaries. It shares a common land boundary with the City of Lancaster to the north, with the Boroughs of Ribble Valley, Preston and Fylde to the east and south respectively, and with Blackpool Unitary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

Figure 2.1: Wyre Council



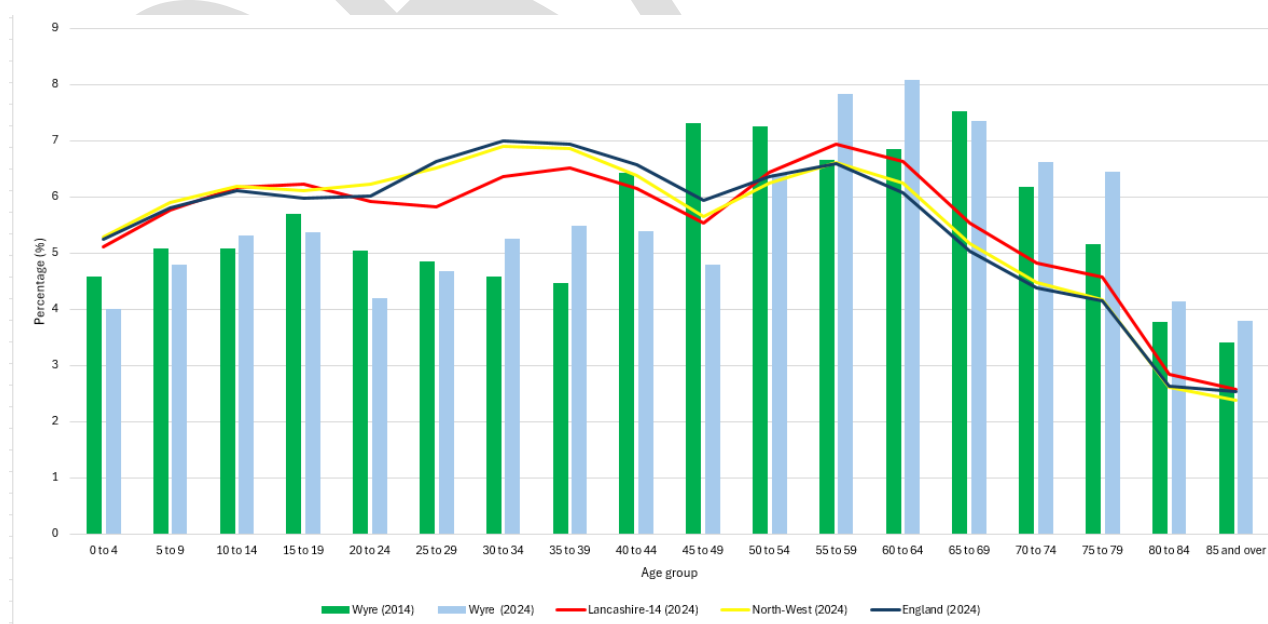
farmland scattered with small villages and hamlets, and east of the M6, the Bowland Fells which is designated a National Landscape.

2.3 Current Population

2.3.1 The population of Wyre based on the mid-2024 estimates is 118,743. This represents a 6.1% increase from the 2021 Census figure of 111,946 and an 8.8% increase from the mid-2014 figure of 108,594. 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 (8.6%) and England (7.8%) between 2014 and 2024.

2.3.2 Wyre's population age structure is somewhat different in comparison to Lancashire-14 (including Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool), the Northwest and England. Figure 2.2 illustrates how Wyre's population structure (mid-2014 and mid-2024) compares against Lancashire, the Northwest and England. Wyre has a much 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-2014 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 2014 and Mid 2024 (ONS)



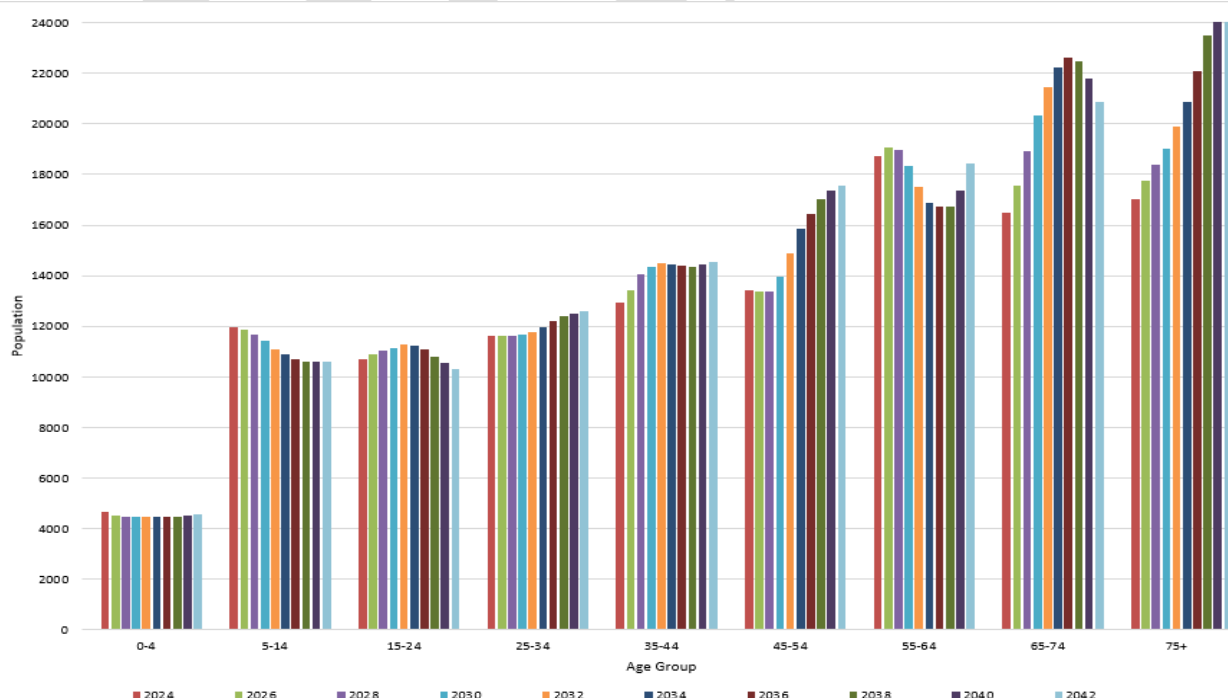
2.4 Projections

2.4.1 Table 2.1 shows the 2022-based population projection figures for Wyre, compared to regional and national figures. Wyre has a much higher percentage rate of growth compared to Lancashire and compared to the national figures. Wyre's population is projected to increase to approx. 135,651 by the year 2042.

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
2026	120,112	0.88	1,598,080	1.00	7,754,200	1.00	59,107,676	1.00
2028	122,491	2.00	1,612,655	0.90	7,825,035	0.90	59,596,218	0.80
2030	124,737	1.80	1,628,200	1.00	7,902,774	1.00	60,161,922	0.90
2032	126,858	1.70	1,642,846	0.90	7,978,086	1.00	60,712,991	0.90
2034	128,851	1.60	1,656,643	0.80	8,050,134	0.90	61,240,292	0.90
2036	130,685	1.40	1,669,864	0.80	8,119,916	0.90	61,747,511	0.80
2038	132,419	1.30	1,682,666	0.80	8,188,059	0.80	62,239,162	0.80
2040	134,059	1.20	1,695,163	0.70	8,254,598	0.8	62,718,618	0.80
2042	135,651	1.20	1,707,451	0.70	8,319,631	0.8	63,187,244	0.70

2.4.2 As shown in Figure 2.3, Wyre's population is also projected to age considerably by the year 2042, especially the 75+ age group which has a significant projected increase of approx. 9,166 (representing a 34.9% increase) when compared to the population estimate for 2024. The age group 65-74 is also expected to increase considerably by approx. 4,369 (20.9%). The projections also indicate that the number of people between the ages of 0-34 are set to decrease significantly by a collective percentage of 16.3%.



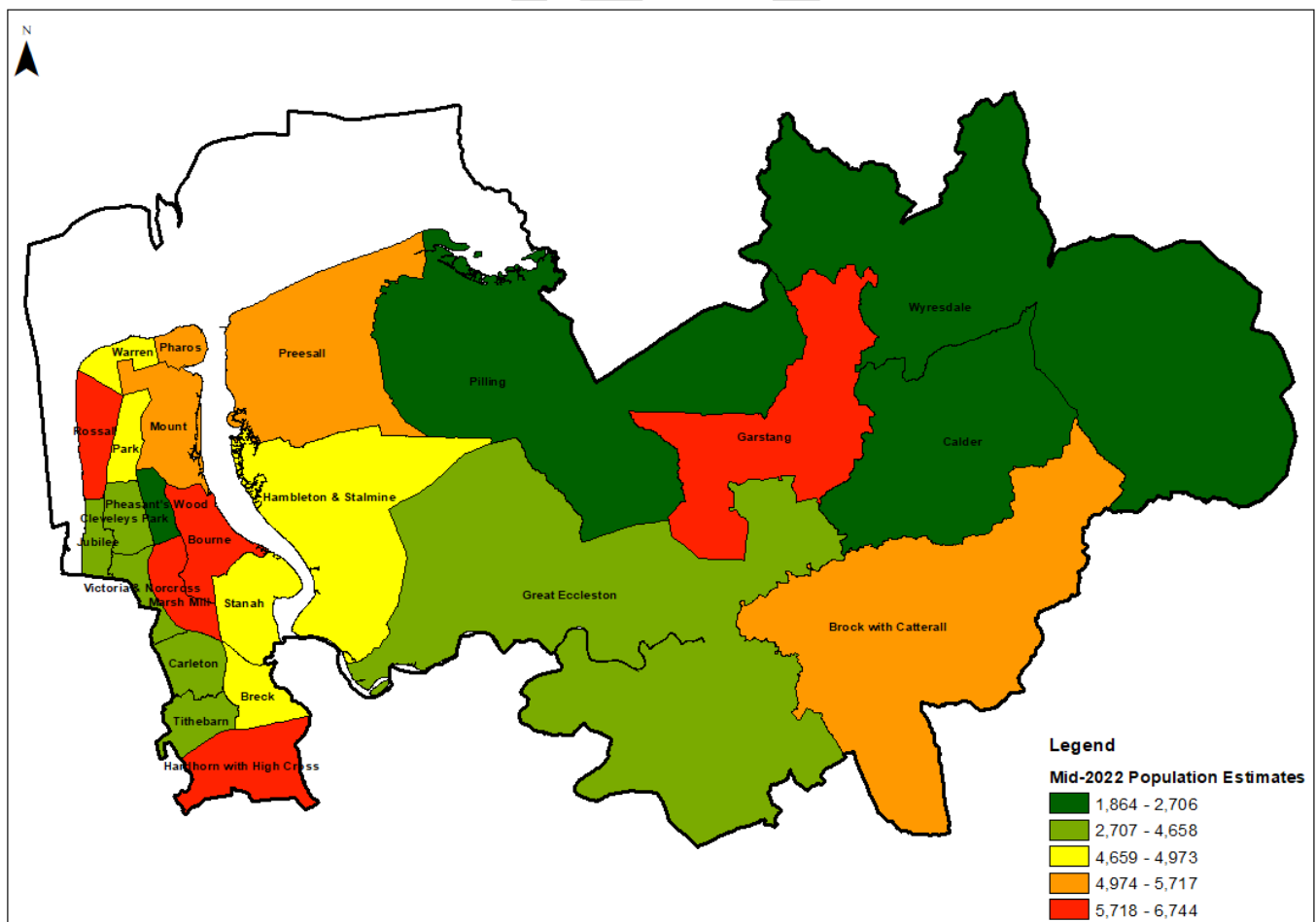
2.5 Population Density

2.5.1 Table 2.2 illustrates that Wyre has a lower population density compared to regional and national population densities. Population density for Wyre has increased from the previous monitoring year from a population of 413 per sq.km to 421 per sq.km. 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, 2024 (ONS)

	Wyre	Lancashire -14	North West	England
Population	118,743	1,601,645	7,737,414	58,620,100
Area (sq. km.)	282	3,066	14,108	130,311
Population per sq. km.	421	522	548	450

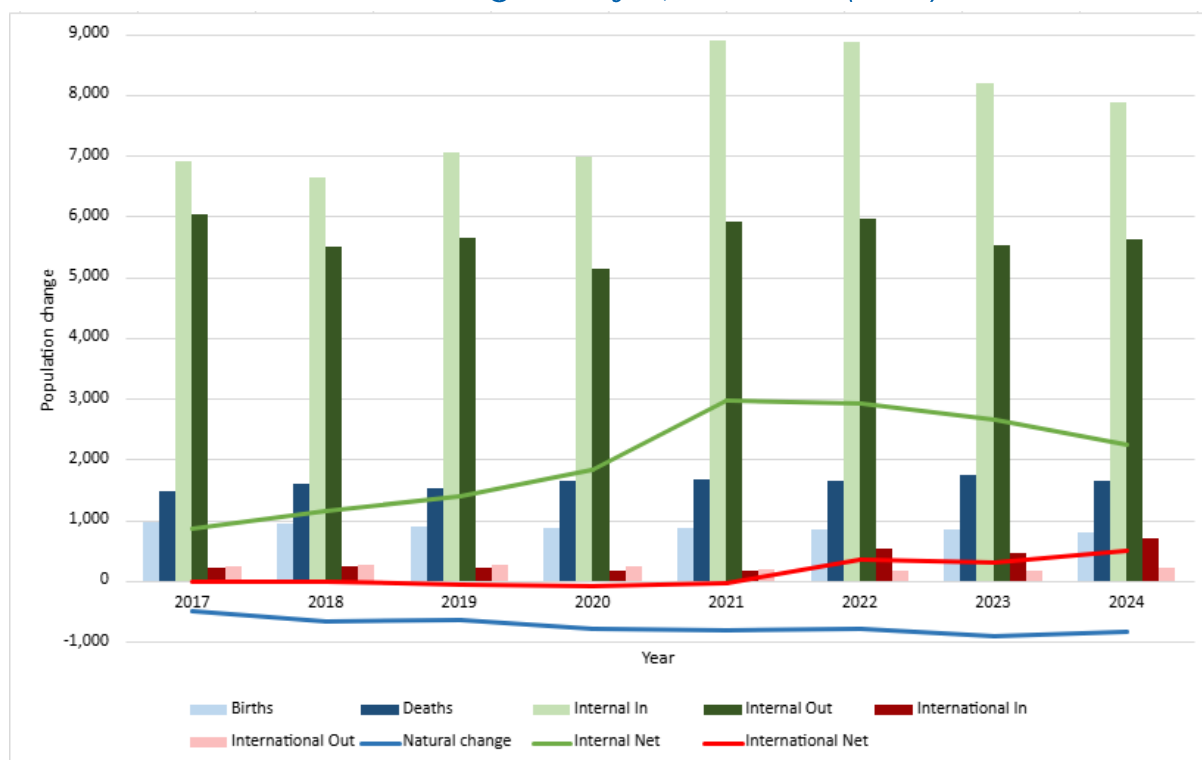
Figure 2.4: Population by Ward in Wyre, Mid-2020



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 2024. In 2024, there was a total net gain of 2,768 in-migrants. Of that, 91.7% have moved from somewhere within the UK, and 8.3% from overseas.

Figure 2.5: International and Internal Migration and Natural Change in Wyre, 2017-2024 (ONS)



2.6.2 Between 2017 and 2024, there has been an increase in international net migration, and a decrease in internal net migration. Natural change has also gradually decreased. In 2024, there were 801 births and 1,641 deaths in Wyre, resulting in a natural change of -840.

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)

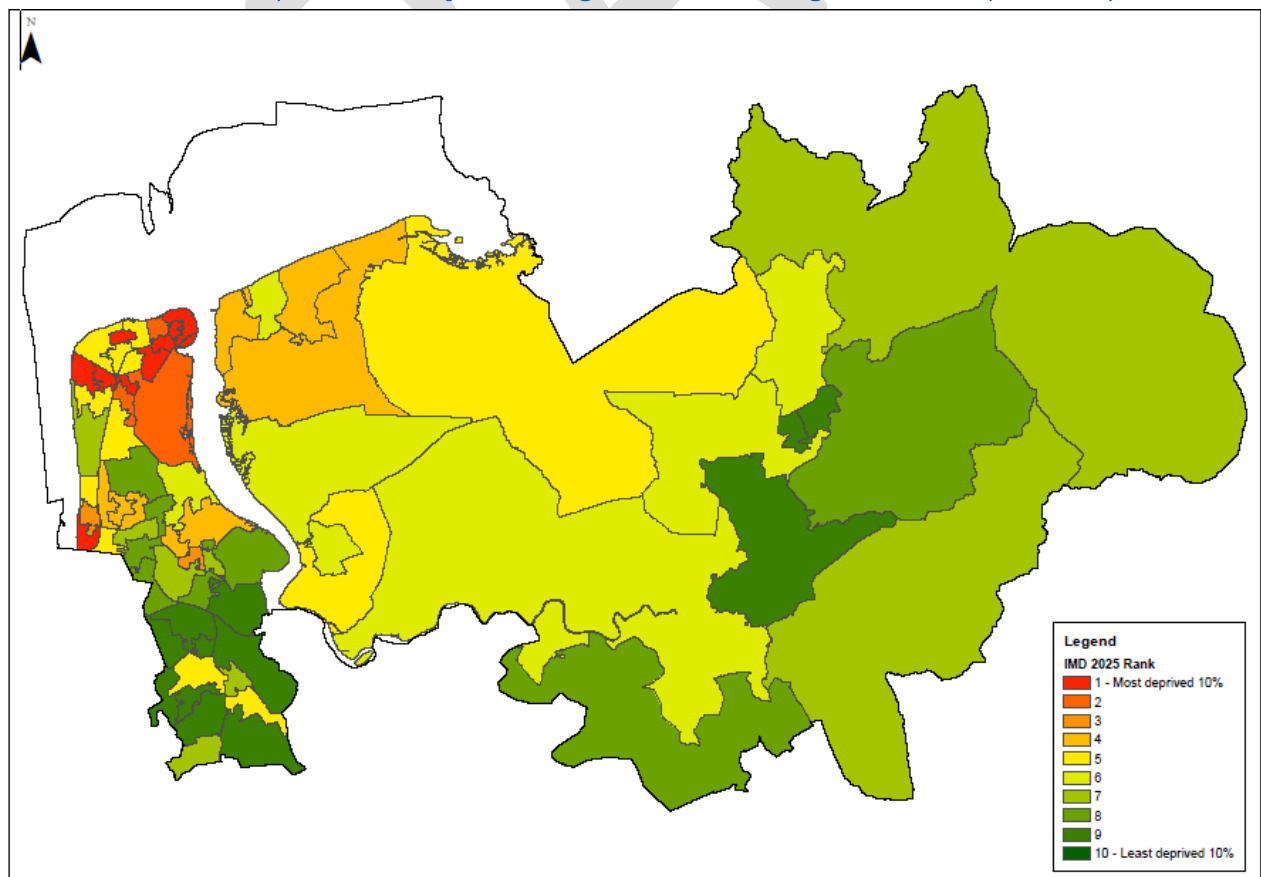
Ethnic Group	Wyre		Lancashire		North West		England	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
White	98.2	97.5	92.3	88.9	90.2	85.6	85.4	81.0
Mixed/multiple ethnic group	0.6	1.0	1.1	1.6	1.6	2.2	2.3	3.0
Asian/Asian British	0.9	1.0	6.1	8.1	6.2	8.4	7.8	9.6
Black/African/Caribbean/Black British	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.6	1.4	2.3	3.5	4.2
Other ethnic group	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.6	1.5	1.0	2.2

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 an area. The IMD is a weighted aggregation index of the relative deprivation of an area.

Figure 2.6: Indices of Multiple Deprivation (all IMD domains) for Wyre, Lower Super

Output Areas by Ranking Position in England, 2025 (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 ranking in the least deprived 10%. Several areas in Fleetwood and one area in Thornton Cleveleys 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 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 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 1st 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 The Fylde Coast Economic Needs Update and Employment Land Review (ELR) was approved in January 2025. This updates employment evidence and includes a review of Wyre Borough's employment land and the employment monitoring process. One of the recommendations of the ELR is that the Council makes a minor amendment to its monitoring approach. Developments which are so far commenced that the site cannot be used for any other use other than that granted by the planning permission being implemented will now be recorded as complete in accordance with the recommendations of the ELR.

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 32.04ha of available employment land available on allocated sites in Wyre.

Table 3.1: Available Employment Land on Allocated Sites

	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	0.50
SA3/1	Fleetwood Dock and Marina, Fleetwood	8.1
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
Total Employment Land Available on Allocated Sites		32.04

3.2.2 Whilst the total area allocated in the Adopted Local Plan for site SA3/1, and some development has taken place on this site since the Plans adoption, a planning permission has been granted in the year 2024/25 over a larger site area demonstrating there is currently 8.1ha available for employment.

3.2.3 For site SA2/3 planning permission has been granted for a mixed use of employment and commercial retail. At the time of writing, land preparatory works are taking place on the site, therefore whilst there is technically no material commencement in planning terms, there is a strong indication this development will be delivered. This therefore reduces the amount of land available for employment to 0.50ha.

3.2.4 In addition to this, there is also a total of 4.78ha of committed employment land on unallocated sites. Therefore, the overall employment land available across Wyre totals 36.82ha (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 a take up of B2 use 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	
SA4- Hillhouse Technology	0	0	0	0	420	0	420
Total	0	0	0	0	420	0	420

3.3.2 Table 3.3 indicates there has been 0ha (zero) of new land take up in Existing Employment Areas. There has been a take up of 693.2sqm in Existing Employment Areas 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	
Poulton Industrial Estate (WY11)	0	194.7	0	0	194.7	0	389.4
Brockholes Way (WY24)	0	0	0	0	0	1.8	1.8
Creamery Industrial Estate	0	0	0	0	252	50	302
Total	0	194.7	0	0	446.7	0	693.2

3.3.3 Table 3.4 indicates there has been a take up of 420sqm 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	
22/00226/FUL	0	0	0	0	420	0	420
Total	0	0	0	0	420	0	420

3.3.4 Table 3.5 indicates there has been 0.56ha 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	
11	0.56	457	0	0	668	3130	4255

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 16.90 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)(ii)	E(g)(iii)	B2	B8	
SA3/1	8.1	1772.5	30,888.7	0	0	271	32,932.2
SA2/3*	0.50	692	0	0	0	969.5	1661.5
SA3/3*	1.00	445	445	444	1,333	1,333	4,000
SA3/4*	1.00	667	667	666	2,000	0	4,000
SA3/5*	4.68	3,120	3,120	3,120	0	9,360	18,720
SA4	0.93	47	0	0	365.7	1489.4	855.1
SA1/25	0.69	201	0	1828	0	0	2029
Total	16.9	6944.5	35,120.7	6,058	3,698.7	13,422.9	65,244.8

3.4.2 Table 3.7 indicates that there is 0.55 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	
St. Georges Lane (WY02)	0.00	0	0	0	0	160	160
Red Marsh Industrial Estate (WY07)	0.00	0	0	0	0	582	582
Copse Road (WY08)	0.00	0	0	0	3,118	0	3,118
Poulton Industrial Estate (WY11)	0.00	0	0	465.71 0	0	1,066	1531.71
Robson Way (WY12)	0.10	0	0	0	392	0	392
Longacres Business Park	0.00	0	0	0	0	120	120
The Old Coal Yard (WY16)	0.00	0	0	0	0	272	272
Taylors Lane Industrial Estate (WY20)	0.20	0	0	0	0	506	506
Brockholes Industrial Estate (WY24)	0.25	0	0	0	0	1,053	1,053
Total	0.55	0	0	465.71	3,172	84,151	7,734.71

3.4.3 Table 3.8 indicates that there is 0.93ha of land, and 1,855.1sqm 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	0.93	47	0	0	365.7	1489.4	1,855.1
Total	0.93	47	0	0	365.7	1489.4	1,855.1

3.4.4 Table 3.9 indicates that there is 4.77 gross hectares of land, and 11,911.88sqm, 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	
23	4.77	1,360.2	335	336	3,949.25	5,931.43	11,911.88

3.5 PMI4 - 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 10.04ha of employment land lost to alternative uses and 39,430.3 net square metres lost to alternative uses. This includes the loss of the former DWP site at Norcross which has planning permission for housing with all phases either complete or well under construction. There is one site where there has been a change of use from B class to Sui Generis use, one site where change of use has been to Use Class D2, two sites where there has been a loss of B class to Use class C3, and one site where there has been a loss of a B use to Use Class E.

- 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	
24/00219/FUL	WY11	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	584	584
24/00128/LAWP	-	0.052	0.052	222	0	0	0	0	222
23/01223/COUMA	-	0.0121	0.0121	121	0	0	0	0	121
22/01259/FUL	-	0.28	0.28	0	0	0	0	92.6	92.6
13/00200/OULMAJ, 17/00268/OULMAJ And 18/00775/REMAJ	-	9.00	6.21	36,000	0	0	0	0	36,000
14/00772/FULMAJ	-	0.7	0.7	0	0	0	0	2,800	2,800
Total		10.04	7.25	36,343	0	0	0	3,476	39,430.3

3.6 PMI5 & SAI6/4 - Number of Wards with LSOAs in Bottom 10% Most Deprived for Employment Deprivation

- 3.6.1 From 2025 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 21.56ha. The take up for 2024-25 is 0.56ha.

Table 3.11: Employment Land Take-Up

Year	Allocated Sites	Existing Employment Areas (Unallocated Sites)	Other (Unallocated Sites)	Total Take Up (Ha)
2011-12	2.74	0	0.02	2.76
2012-13	0	0	1.75	1.75
2013-14	0	0	0.40	0.40

Year	Allocated Sites	Existing Employment Areas (Unallocated Sites)	Other (Unallocated Sites)	Total Take Up (Ha)
2014-15	0	0.1	0.7	0.80
2015-16	0.84	0.35	0	1.19
2016-17	0.23	1.07	1.05	2.35
2017-18	0.46	0	2.90	3.36
2018-19	0	3.58	0.09	3.67*
2019-20	0	0	0.51	0.51
2020-21	0	0.1	0	0.1
2021-22	0	0	0.53	0.53
2022-23	1.18	0	1.98	3.16
2023-24	0	0	0.42	0.42
2024-25	0	0	0.56	0.56
Total	5.45	5.2	10.91	21.56

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

3.8 Indicator Analysis

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

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
SP1 SP2	PMI 1 SAI 6/3	Available employment land, by area (ha)	Monitor availability	37.86ha	36.82	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) Zero (0) b) 0ha, 2049sqm c) Zero (0) d) 0.42ha, 2284sqm	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	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	a) 16.90ha, 65,244.8sqm b) 0.55ha, 7,734.71sqm c) 0.93ha, 1,855.1sqm d) 4.77ha, 11,911.88sqm	Green
	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	No overall loss	Please see para 3.5.1	Please see Table 3.10	Red

		sites (including mix use) b) in existing employment areas 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	Amber
	SAI 6/5	Employment land take up	43 ha over plan period	0.42ha	0.56ha	Green

3.9 Policy Conclusions

- 3.9.1 The 2024-25 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 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 developer's 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 2024 and 31 March 2025, one planning application proposed £3,937,060.56 through S106 towards primary and secondary education. Please note that this is an estimated figure as for planning application 22/00423/OULMAJ, the education contribution is to be calculated using a formula which requires the number of new admissions for the school year.

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 2025 data, there were a total number of five (5) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for education, skills and training deprivation. Wards included Rossall, Warren, Pharos, Mount and Park.

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 2024 to December 2024.

Table 4.1: Wyre Residents with Registered Qualifications Framework (RQFs), Jan 2024- Dec 2024 (ONS)

	Wyre (Number)	Wyre (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
RQF4 and above	26,100	43.1	42.3	47.2
RQF3 and above	39,700	64.1	63.6	67.6
RQF2 and above	57,100	92.1	85.0	86.5
RQF1 and above	57,800	93.1	87.4	88.9
Other qualifications	5,500	8.8	4.4	4.3
No qualifications	#	#	8.2	6.8

! Estimate is not available since sample size is disclosive.

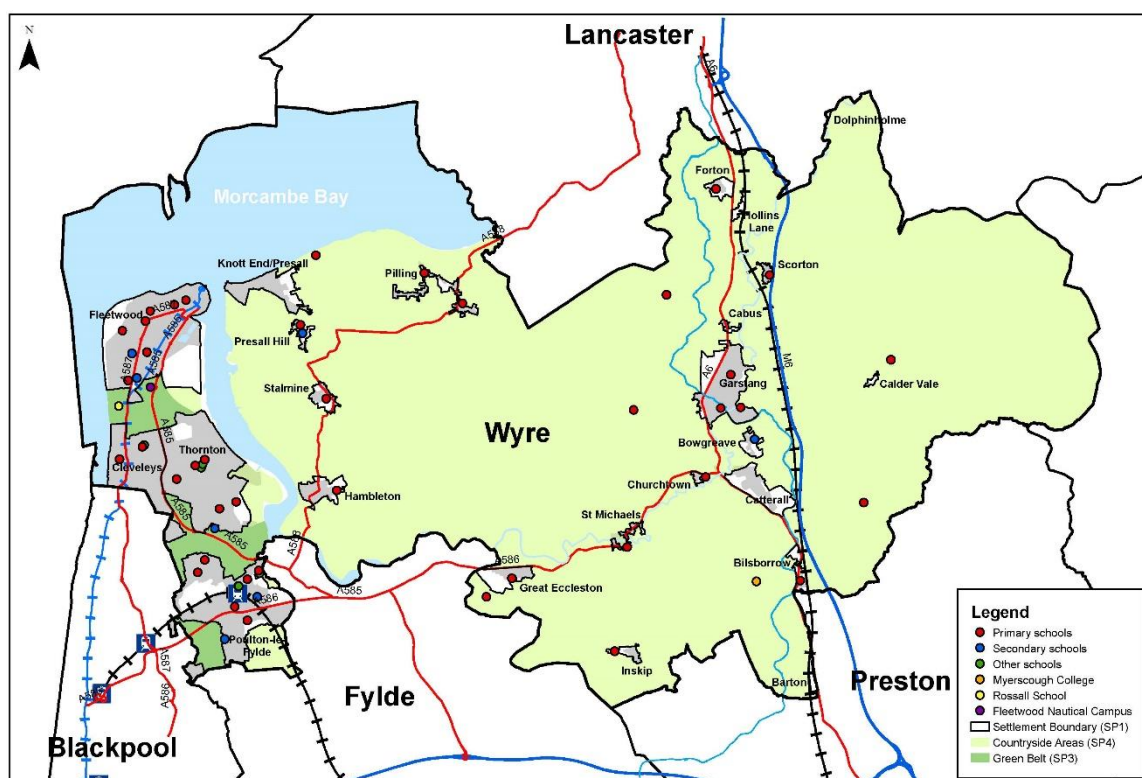
Sample size too small for reliable estimate.

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



4.5.2 The Lancashire “School Place Provision Strategy 2022-2025”¹ outlines the short, medium and long-term delivery strategy for Lancashire schools, 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 & Cloughton - Area of reduction
- Garstang & surrounding area – Hotspot
- Poulton-le-Fylde – Hotspot

¹ 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 4.2: Delivery, Phase and Summary of Contribution (LCC)

Delivery	Phase	Summary of contribution
Short Term	Primary	N/A
Short Term	Secondary	N/A
Medium Term	Primary	N/A
Medium Term	Secondary	N/A
Long Term: Local Plans	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.
Long Term: Local Plans	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 2024 and March 2025. As can be seen, Wyre has a higher percentage (84.7%) of economically active people than regionally (76.7%) and nationally (78.5%).

Table 4.3: Employment and Unemployment in Wyre, North West and Great Britain, April 2024 – March 2025 (ONS)

	Wyre	Wyre (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
Economically Active*	53,800	84.7	76.7	78.5
In employment*	53,300	84.1	73.7	75.4
Employees*	44,500	71.2	65.5	65.7
Self Employed*	8,200	11.9	8.0	9.4
Unemployed (aged 16 and over)	1,200	2.3	3.7	3.9

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

Sample size too small for reliable estimate

4.7 4.7 SAI6/2 – Percentage of Employment and Occupation

4.7.1 Table 4.4 illustrates Wyre's employment by occupation between April 2024 and March 2025. As can be seen, Wyre had a higher percentage of groups 1, 3, and 4 compared to the rest of the North West.

Table 4.4: Employment and occupations in Wyre, April 2024 – March 2025 (ONS)

	Wyre	Wyre (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
1) Managers, Directors and Senior Officials	6,400	12.0	10.0	10.8
2) Professional Occupations	13,100	24.6	25.8	11.1
3) Associate Professional Occupations	9,400	17.6	14.3	26.6
4) Administrative and Secretarial Occupations	6,300	11.7	9.4	9.2
5) Skilled Trades Occupations	#	#	8.2	8.5
6) Caring, Leisure and other Service Occupations	#	#	9.3	8.6
7) Sales and Customer Service Occupations	#	#	6.5	5.8
8) Process, Plant & Machine Operatives	#	#	6.2	5.6
9) Elementary Occupations	#	#	9.8	9.1

Sample size too small for reliable estimate
 Numbers and % are for those aged 16+
 % is a proportion of all persons in employment

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

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
SP1 SP7	PMI 6	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards education	Monitor contributions	£1,701,134.59	£3,937,060.56	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	5 Wards	Green
	SAI2/3	% of working age residents with national vocational qualifications (NVQs)	Monitor change	RQF1 and above = 54,000	RQF1 and above = 57,800	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 = 55,800 Unemployed = 1,900	In employment = 53,800 Unemployed = 1,200	N/A

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
	SAI6/2	Percentage of employment and occupation	Monitor change	See para 4.7.1	See para 4.7.1	N/A

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4.9 Policy Conclusions

- 4.9.1 According to the latest 2025 data, the number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for education, skills and training deprivation has decreased from six (6) to five (5).
- 4.9.2 The number of people in employment has decreased in Wyre from 55,800 in 2023/24 to 53,800, a drop of 5.3%. There has also been a decrease in the number of people who are unemployed from 1,900 in 2023/24 to 1,200. 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 5.2 PMI8 - 5-Year Supply of Deliverable Housing

5.2.1 In accordance with the National Planning Practice Guidance (PPG)² 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

Five Year Housing Supply Calculation		Number of Dwellings
A. Five-year requirement (296 x 5)		1,480
B. Completions from 1 April 2011		4,958
C. Shortfall since 2011 [(479 x 8) + (296 x 4) – 4,958]		58

² 'Housing Supply and Delivery' Paragraph: 004 Reference ID: 68-004-20240205

Five Year Housing Supply Calculation		Number of Dwellings
D. $58 \div 8$ years remaining of plan period		7.25
E. Annual requirement $(7.25) \times 5$ years		36.25
F. Five year requirement with shortfall $(1,480 + 36.25)$		1,516.25
G. 5% buffer $(1,516.25 \times 5\%)$		75.81
H Five year requirement with shortfall + 5% buffer $(1,516.25 + 75.81)$		1,592.06
I. Annual five year requirement $(1,592.06 \div 5 \text{ years})$		318.41
J. Total supply deliverable in 5 years		3,624
K. Supply in years $(3,624 \div 318.41)$		11.38 years

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 2024-2025 is 632 and there has been 6,253 net completions since 2011.

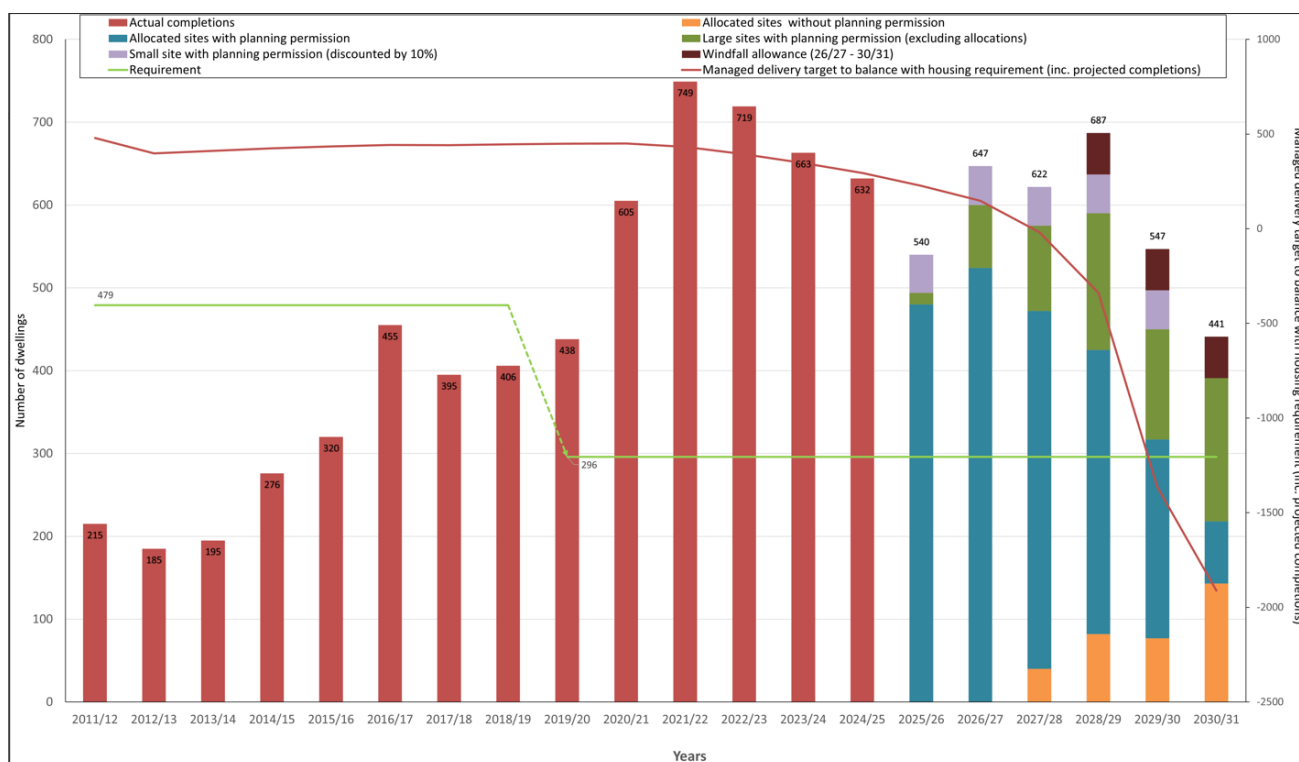


Figure 5.1: Housing Trajectory at 31st March 2025

5.4 PM10 & 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 2025 was 6,253. In the year 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025 there were 632 net new dwellings completed.

5.4.2 Table 5.2 identifies net additional dwellings on each housing allocation as at 31 March 2025. 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 31.03.25	Dwellings completed as at 31.03.25
SA1/1	West of Broadway, Fleetwood	25	25	44	44
SA1/2	Lambs Road/Raikes Road, Thornton	360	360	461	182

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 31.03.25	Dwellings completed as at 31.03.25
SA1/3	Land between Fleetwood Rd North and Pheasant Wood, Thornton	153	153	158	0
SA1/4	South East Poulton, Poulton-le-Fylde	236	236	208	88
SA1/5	Land at Garstang Road, Poulton-le-Fylde	516	516	528	450
SA1/6	Land South of Blackpool Road, Poulton-le-Fylde	300	300	248	155
SA1/7	South Stalmine, Stalmine	180	180	293	139
SA1/8	North of Garstang Road, Pilling	40	40	40	36
SA1/9	North of Norcross Lane, Norcross	300	300	332	271
SA1/10	Land at Arthurs Lane, Hambleton	165	165	201	113
SA1/11	Inskip Extension, Inskip	85	85	85	85
SA1/12	North of New Holly Hotel and Bodkin Cottage, Hollins Lane	38	38	38	38
SA1/13	Land East of Hollins Lane, Hollins Lane	51	51	60	60
SA1/14	West of Cockerham Road, Garstang	260	260	0	0
SA1/15	Land South of Prospect Farm, West of the A6, Garstang	70	70	70	70
SA1/16	South of Kepple Lane, Garstang	125	125	120	70
SA1/17	Bowgreave House Farm, Bowgreave	27	27	27	27
SA1/18	Garstang Road, Bowgreave	46	46	46	46

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 31.03.25	Dwellings completed as at 31.03.25
SA1/19	Land South of Calder House Lane, Bowgreave	45	45	44	44
SA1/20	Garstang Country Hotel and Golf Course, Bowgreave	95	95	87	87
SA1/21	Daniel Fold Farm, Daniel Fold Lane, Catterall	117	117	130	130
SA1/22	Daniel Fold Farm Phase 2, Daniel Fold Lane, Catterall	66	66	80	80
SA1/23	Land off Garstang Road, Barton	72	72	74	74
SA1/24	Land Rear of Shepherds Farm, Barton	34	34	34	0
SA1/25	Land Rear of 867 Garstang Road, Barton	26	26	0	0
Total		3,432	3,432	3,408	2,289

5.5 PM11 & SA14/3 - Percentage and Number of Affordable Homes, by Type and Settlement

5.5.1 The total number of affordable home completions in 2024-25 was 301 gross/ 300 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 2024-25

		Units completed	No. of beds			
			1	2	3	4
1357A SA1/5	Garstang Road East, Poulton	26		8	18	
2260A SA4	Former Football Club, Bourne Road, Thornton	6		6		

2261B	North of Bourne Road, Thornton	103	65	21	13	4
2568B	East Of Carr End Lane, Stalmine	17	6	5	6	
2687A	Noth Of Norcross Lane, Thornton Cleveleys	9		9		
2726B	Land Off Lambs Road, Thornton Cleveleys	18		2	16	
2760 SA1/10	Land off Arthurs Lane, Hambleton	1		1		
2770 SA1/22	Daniel Fold Farm (Phase 2), Daniel Fold Lane, Catterall	10		6	4	
2792	Land Off Brockholes Crescent, Poulton	59		26	31	2
2813 SA1/1	West of Broadway, Fleetwood	32		19	10	3
2815 SA1/6	Blackpool Road, Poulton	12	2	3	7	
2819 SA3/4	Land Off School Lane, Forton	7	3	4		
	Totals	300	71	110	105	9

5.5.3 During the 2024-25 monitoring year, there were zero (0) planning applications which proposed a Section 106 contribution towards affordable housing.

5.6 PM12 - Percentage and Number of Dwellings Providing Housing for Older People and People with Restricted Mobility

- 5.6.1 By 2042, the population aged 65 or over in Wyre is projected to reach 47,067, 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. 2024-25 has been the sixth full monitoring year since the original adoption of the Local Plan (February 2019) and seven planning applications have been approved in that time for developments of 20 new build dwellings and above.
- 5.6.3 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 one has provided more than required (100%).

5.6.4 In total in 2024-25, planning approval was granted on developments of 20 dwellings and above for 133 dwellings for older people and people with restricted mobility.

5.7 PM13 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 632 net completions in 2024-2025 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

	Market Housing					Affordable Housing					Total Housing (regardless of tenure)				
Size	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.	8	50	124	149	331	73	109	110	9	301	81	159	234	158	632
%	3%	15%	37%	45%		24%	37%	36%	3%		13%	25%	37%	25%	
HNA 2024 Market Housing	5%	45%	40%	10%											
HNA 2024 Aff. Home Ownership						20%	55%	20%	5%						
HNA 2024 Aff. Hsg rented – General						20%	35%	35%	10%						
HNA 2024 Aff. Hsg rented – Older Persons						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 632 net completions.

Table 5.5: Variety of Net Completions

Dwelling Type	Number of completions in 2024-25
Detached	220
Semi Detached	208
Terraced	81
Flat	74
Bungalow	49
Total	632

5.8 PM14 & 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 PM15 & 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 PM16 - Number of Buildings Converted into Houses of Multiple Occupancy (HMOs)

During the monitoring period, there were three planning permissions granted and one lawful certificate of proposed lawfulness to convert a building into a HMO. For more details, please see permissions 24/00383/LAWP, 24/00450/FUL, 24/00521/FUL and 24/00797/FUL.

5.11 SAI4/5 - Percentage of Vacant Dwellings (C3)

5.11.1 Table 5.6 illustrates that in 2024, 918 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 28 more vacant dwellings compared to 2023 (890). This equates to an 3.1% increase 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
Empty Homes	918	1.6	24,501	3.4	719,470	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	2023/24 Output	2024/25 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) 5,621 b) 663 c) and d) see Fig. 5.1	a) 6253 b) 632 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) 2186 b) 4,543 (includes mixed use development sites)	A) 2810 b) 4,934 (includes mixed use development sites)	N/A
	PMI 11 SAI 4/3	Percentage and number of affordable homes, by type and settlement	Measure % against local plan policy	a) 270 N/A £44,436.00 b) c)	a) 301 b) N/A c) £0.00	N/A

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
		a) completed annually (net) b) with extant planning permission c) financial contributions	standards, by settlement			
	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	2	4	N/A
	SAI 4/5	Percentage of vacant dwellings (C3)	Decrease	1.6% (890 dwellings)	1.6% (918 dwellings)	Amber

5.13 Policy Conclusions

- 5.13.1 Wyre can demonstrate a 5-year housing land supply. The authority has provided 632 net new homes, 301 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 4,934 homes, including 2,810 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 2025 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 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 and Poulton-le-Fylde

- 6.5.1 Table 6.1 compares town centre vacancy rates between March 2024 and July 2025. As can be seen, there has been an increase in the vacancy rate for

Garstang and Poulton Le Fylde, but a decrease for Cleveleys and Fleetwood. The 2023-24 average vacancy rate was an increase of 1.14%. For 2024-25, the average has increased by 2.99%, Since 2023, shop counts are no longer carried out in Thornton.

Table 6.1: Ground floor vacancy rates in Wyre, 2024-2025

Town Centre	March 2024 Vacancy Rate (%)	July 2025			Vacancy Rate Difference
		Total Units	Empty	Vacancy Rate (%)	
Cleveleys	9.74	346	31	8.96	-0.78
Fleetwood	17.13	251	39	15.54	-1.59
Garstang	5.00	157	10	6.37	1.37
Poulton-le-Fylde	5.78	174	17	9.77	3.99
Average	9.41	N/A	N/A	10.16	2.99

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

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2022/23 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
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	Amber
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 = 9.41	Average = 10.16	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 October 2025.
- 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 decreased in Cleveleys and Fleetwood but increased 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 27% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of a GP.
- 7.2.3 67% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of a primary school.
- 7.2.4 6% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of a secondary school.
- 7.2.5 75% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of an existing employment area (EP2).
- 7.2.6 85% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of town, district, local and neighbourhood centre (EP4)³.

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

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 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 £124,075.10 proposed towards health care from two planning applications. Please note that this is an estimated figure as for planning application 23/00215/OULMAJ, the public health contribution is to be calculated using a formula which requires the number of persons pursuant to the particular Reserved Matters Consent (25/00439/REMMAJ), which is 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.

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 During the monitoring period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025, there has been no applications which have made contributions for other infrastructure.

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 325,380 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 This monitoring year, there were five developments receiving planning permission with an agreed travel plan. They are within the planning permissions 22/00774/FULMAJ, 23/00122/FULMAJ, 24/00486/FUL, 23/00215/OULMAJ and 23/00231/FUL.

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 2024 to 31 March 2025, there were financial contributions totalling £787,276.00 through S106 towards highways proposed through three 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, 99.7% 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	2023/24 Output	2024/25 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 = 9% Primary school = 99% Secondary school = 50% Existing employment area = 47% Town, district, local and neighbourhood centre = 92%	GP = 27% Primary school = 67% Secondary school = 6% Existing employment area = 75% Town, district, local and neighbourhood centre = 85%	N/A
	PMI 22	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards health care	Monitor contributions	£413,524.04	£124,075.10	N/A
	PMI 23	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards other infrastructure	Monitor contributions	£865,233.00	£0.00	N/A
	PMI 24	Number of community facilities, by type and settlement a) completed annually	Monitor change	Data not available	Data not available	N/A

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
		b) with extant planning permission c) loss to alternative uses				
	PMI 25 SAI 3/5	Length of total and new dedicated pedestrian and cycle routes	Increase	Total = 77,215m Off-road = 30,346m On-road = 46,869m Proposed = 0	Total existing = 64,758m Proposed = 325,380m	Amber
	PMI 26	Number of developments receiving planning permission with agreed travel plan	No target	2	5	N/A
	PMI 27	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards highways	Monitor contributions	£580,898.97	£787,276.00	N/A
	PMI 28 SAI 5/2	Percentage and number of new dwellings built within 1km of a bus stop	Monitor take up	99.9%	99.7%	N/A

7.11 Policy Conclusions

- 7.11.1 It can be established that new developments are supported by essential infrastructure. 99.7% of new dwellings built were within 1km of a bus stop. It is also positive that 75% and 85% of new dwellings approved are within 1km of an existing employment area 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 the River Brock), whilst the fourth is a railway cutting (Wild Goose Wood).

- 8.2.6 There are 70 Biological Heritage Sites (BHSs) under active management, either wholly or partially within Wyre, covering 3,309ha in Wyre.

8.3 PMI30 - Amount of New Development within Areas of Biodiversity, Geological and Landscape Importance

- 8.3.1 There have been seven planning applications permitted in a National Landscape (formerly AONB) and one completion.
- 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 one planning application permitted in a LGS (planning application 24/00333/FUL) and one completion.
- 8.3.6 There have been two 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.
- 8.4.2 100% of the Wyre estuary SSSI and the Lune estuary SSSI have been assessed as being in a favourable condition. 100% of Rough Hey Wood SSSI, 100% of Winmarleigh Moss SSSI and 81% of Bowland Fells SSSI is deemed unfavourable but recovering. 15% of Bowland Fells SSSI is assessed as being in an unfavourable declining condition. However, it must be considered 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 increased from 93.3% in the previous monitoring year to 96.9% and therefore is above the required 95% target set out by DEFRA. 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 BHSs covering 34,546ha. 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 70 BHSs under active management, either wholly or partially within Wyre, covering 3,309ha in Wyre.
- 8.5.3 In 2025, the BHS listings were partially reviewed by Lancashire County Council. Prior to this, the BHS register was last partially reviewed in 2012, leaving a backlog of proposed amendments awaiting assessment. The 2025 approved changes address part of this backlog. Amendments also account for the updated Odonata guidelines (2023) and the inclusion of a guideline for identifying fungi rich grasslands within the *Guidelines for Site Selection*. Ongoing survey work by Lancashire County Council's BHS ecologists has also contributed to recent amendments and is expected to continue to do so in subsequent years.

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

Agricultural Land Classification (ALC)	2023-2024 Area (Ha)	2024-2025 Area (Ha)
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 Cloughton, and one in Dolphinholme.
- 8.7.3 As of 31st March 2025, Historic England identified 309 listings⁴ 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 to be 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, 2023-2025

Heritage Assets	2023-24	2024-25	Gain / Loss / No change
Conservation areas	7	7	No Change
Scheduled monuments	8	8	No Change
Listed buildings	309	309	No Change
Parks and gardens	2	2	No Change

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 three grade 2 listed buildings which are considered to be at risk by Historic England⁵.
- 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

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

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

valley gutters being complex. The condition is rated as poor and remains as a priority C case - slow decay, no solution agreed. Surveys have been commissioned to address the issues.

- 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.
- 8.8.5 St. Andrews Church, Rossall Road, Thornton Cleveleys is the most recent grade 2 listed building which is considered to be at a medium risk due to rapid deterioration or loss of fabric. This includes the significant erosion of the sandstone window tracery. The condition is rated as poor and has been deemed as a priority A case, no solution agreed.

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.

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

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
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 = 6,229ha LGS = N/A BHS = 3,308ha	AONB = 5,078ha SSSI = 6,297ha SAC = 4,058ha SPA = 6,229ha LGS = N/A BHS = 3,309	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) 0 b) 25	a) 2 b) 10	Green
	PMI 31 SAI 8/2	Condition of SSSIs	95% of SSSIs in favourable or recovering condition	93.3%	96.9%	Green
	PMI 32 SAI 8/3	Number of Biological Heritage Sites (BHS)	Monitor over plan period	71	69	N/A

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
		under active management				
	PMI 33	Loss of the best and most versatile agricultural land	Monitor Loss	Grade 2 = 8,367ha Grade 3 = 12,089ha Grade 4 = 2,532ha Grade 5 = 2,963 NA = 60 Urban = 2,291	Grade 2 = 8,367ha Grade 3 = 12,089ha Grade 4 = 2,532ha Grade 5 = 2,963 NA = 60 Urban = 2,291	Green
	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)309 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	4	Red
	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's scheduled monuments and listed buildings considered to be at risk has increased from 3 to 4. This brings attention to the importance of policies to ensure 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, 5 were for residential purposes and 2 were for 'other' purposes.

9.3 PMI37 - Number of New Developments (by type) in the Countryside

- 9.3.1 There have been 9 housing completions in the Countryside. This equates to 1.4% of all completions in the monitoring year.
- 9.3.2 In the monitoring year, there were 120 developments granted planning permission in the countryside. This equates to 25.8% of all planning applications granted in the monitoring year.
- 9.3.3 Of the granted permissions, 56.6% were for residential purposes, 5.0% for employment, 5.8% for leisure, 1.6% for retail and 30.8% 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

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2025/25 Output	Performance
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) 7	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) 21 b) 158	a) 9 b) 120	Green

9.5 Policy Conclusions

- 9.5.1 There have been no (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 considerably less development permitted in countryside areas (120 extant planning permission in this 24/25 monitoring year, compared with 158 extant planning permission In the 23/24 monitoring year. 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 can be seen as effective, although granted permissions data relates to all types of development and not specifically new dwellings.

10 Green Infrastructure and Health (Objective 9)

10.1 Introduction

- 10.1.1 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 1,136 PROWs in total. This figure includes bridleways, footpaths, byways open to all traffic, restricted byways and closed DDMOs, and public path order applications. The total number of PROWs in Wyre equates to a total combined length of over 424.38km's.
- 10.2.2 This includes 370.21km's of footpaths and 26.53km's of bridleways. There is currently a total of 6.17km 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. As announced in July 2025, 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.

10.4PMI40 and SAI9/1 – Amount of Green Infrastructure Lost to Development (ha)

- 10.4.1 There will be a total of 0.07ha of green infrastructure lost due to development permitted in 2024-25. Over half of this loss will result from planning application 24/00308/FUL – the installation of two padel courts – which despite being a technical loss of GI, provides an opportunity to improve health and wellbeing.

10.5PMI41 - 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 5.37 ha of Green Infrastructure to be provided across six planning applications. 4.79ha of Green Infrastructure has been proposed and subsequently approved (including public open space).
- 10.5.3 In the monitoring year, there have been proposed financial contributions of £210,738.63 towards green infrastructure from two permitted applications.

10.6PMI42 & 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>

10.7PMI43 & SAI3/2 - Number of Wards with LSOAs in the Bottom 10% Most Deprived for Health Deprivation

- 10.7.1 From 2025 data, there were a total number of six (6) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation. Wards included: Rossall, Warren, Pharos, Mount, Park, and Jubilee.

10.8PMI44 - Number of Health Impact Assessments (HIA)

10.8.1 For this monitoring year 2024-25, there have been zero Health Impact Assessments.

10.9Life 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 – 2023(PHE)

	Wyre		Lancashire		North West		England	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
2015-2017	83.6	85.9	83.4	85.6	83.0	85.2	83.8	86.1
2016-2018	83.5	86.0	83.4	85.6	83.2	85.3	83.9	86.2
2017-2019	83.4	86.3	83.4	85.6	83.3	85.5	84	86.3
2018-2020	83.1	86.0	83.1	85.4	82.9	85.2	83.7	86.1
2019-2021	82.8	85.8	83.0	85.3	82.7	85.1	83.5	86.0
2020-2022	83.1	85.5	82.9	85.3	82.6	85.0	83.4	85.9
2021-2023	83.5	85.7	83.1	85.5	82.5	85.9	86.5	86.1

10.9.2 There are slight differences in life expectancy across the borough, and these generally correlate with areas of high deprivation. Compared to 2020-2022, life expectancy at 65 years in 2021-2023 has increased by 0.4 for males and increased by 0.2 for females. Wyre has a higher life expectancy in both males and females compared with the rest of Lancashire.

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. The 2021-2023 data is the first time since the pandemic where we have seen a positive increase in both males and females.

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

	Wyre (%)	Lancashire (%)	North West (%)	England and Wales (%)
2011	11.7	9.8	10.3	8.5
2021	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

	Very good (%)	Good (%)	Fair (%)	Bad (%)	Very bad (%)
Wyre	44.3	33.3	15.5	5.3	1.6
Lancashire	47.1	33.5	13.7	4.5	1.3
North West	47.7	32.7	13.4	4.8	1.4
England and Wales	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.

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

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
SP1 SP2 SP7 SP8	PMI 38 SAI 5/3	Length of total and new dedicated public rights of way (PROW)	Increase	Approx. 1,129 Over 424km's	Approx. 1,136 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)	0.35ha	0.07ha	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) 13.37ha b) £198,320.70	a) 4.79ha b) £210,738.63	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	6	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

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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, 4.79ha proposed to come forward and £210,738.63 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 CO2 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 2022 and 2023 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 2022 supersede the ones shown in the previous AMR.

Table 11.1: Carbon Emissions Estimates at Local, Regional and National Level, 2022-2023 (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	2022	92.1	60.6	150.6	10.3	207.9	81.6	165.4	44.9	813.4	7.1
	2023	76.7	46.5	144.9	9.0	202.1	81.3	168.9	49.2	778.5	6.7
	Change (%)	-16.72	-23.26	-3.78	-12.62	-2.78	-0.36	2.11	9.57	-4.29	-5.63
Lancashire	2022	1,411.8	576.7	1,573.6	211.7	2,319.0	358.8	1,185.5	587.3	8,224.4	6.6
	2023	1,307.5	464.7	1,511.2	166.4	2,283.6	356.1	1,170.3	631.1	7,890.8	6.2
	Change (%)	-7.38	-19.42	-3.96	-21.39	-1.52	-0.75	-1.28	7.45	-4.05	-6.06
North West	2022	6,764.9	3,821.3	9,011.4	1,368.4	12,210.2	294.1	4,253.9	2,276.4	40,000.6	5.3
	2023	6,596.0	3,212.0	8,611.1	1,188.1	12,091.2	293.2	4,223.6	2,761.9	38,977.0	5.1
	Change (%)	-2.49	-15.94	-4.44	-13.17	-0.97	-0.30	-0.71	21.32	2.55	-3.77
England	2022	42,791.9	29,283.3	67,377.1	9,614.1	95,042.4	-539.8	30,122.8	16,256.5	289,948.3	5.1
	2023	39,084.4	25,312.3	63,148.1	8,559.4	93,951.8	-598.3	29,819.6	16,311.9	275,589.3	4.8
	Change (%)	-8.66	-13.56	-6.27	-10.97	-1.14	10.83	-1.00	0.34	-4.95	-5.88

*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 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019.

Table 11.2:

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
Total	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 the EVCP mapping site, Zapmap, Wyre had 168 charge points available. This is an increase of 16 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	29
Thornton	14
Cleveleys	18
Poulton-le-Fylde	31
Garstang	16
Great Eccleston	4
Hambleton	6
Knott End	6
Moto Lancaster M6 Services (Northbound and Southbound)	44

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 2024-2025, Poulton-le-Fylde station saw a total of 582,988 passengers. This is a significant 14% increase from the previous year (2023.-24) where there was a total of 509,880 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

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
SP2 CDMP1 CDMP6 EP12	PMI 45	Per capita amount of CO ₂ emissions in the LA area	<6.1(t)	2022 = 4.8 (t)	2023 = 6.7 (t)	Amber
	PMI 46	New renewable energy installations, by type (Feed in tariff in Mega Watts)	Increase	Data Discontinued	Data Discontinued	N/A
	PMI 47 SAI 12/3	Number of Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCP)	Increase	152	168	Green
	SAI 12/1	Local rail patronage	Increase	2022/23 = 509,880	2023/24 = 582,988	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 are heading towards meeting the objectives set out.
- 11.8.2 It is evident that Wyre as an authority is progressing in terms of reducing climate change. CO₂ 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 168 EVCPs in Wyre.
- 11.8.3 There has been a significant increase of 14% 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.

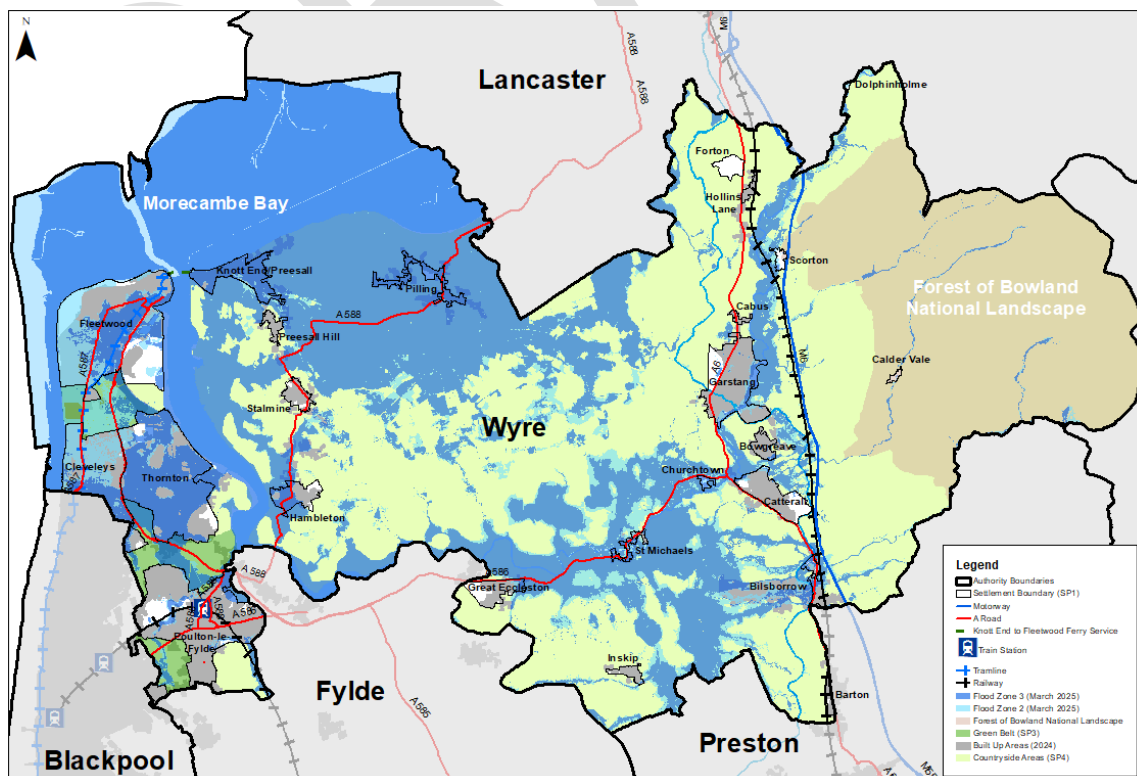
Objective 11 states:

'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 2024 to 2025, there were 19 planning applications initially objected to by the EA due to flood risk.
- 12.2.3 Of the 19 initially objected to, 11 were permitted following the submission of an acceptable Flood Risk Assessment, which resulted in the initial objection being removed. 7 were refused, 1 was 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 2024 and 31 March 2025, there was a total of nineteen (19) initial water quality objections were made by the EA. Ten (10) of those applications were permitted after the initial objection was withdrawn by the EA. The objections held for the remaining nine (9) led to their refusal.
- 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 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 remains an EA priority and work on the Full Business Case has commenced. The scheme is delayed subject to funding approval.
- 12.4.2 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.
- 12.4.3 Wyre Beach & Dune Management Scheme was approved (February 2020) by the Environment Agency. The £62 million (Wyre Council led) scheme is fully funded by DEFRA and will improve protection to cover over 11,000 properties and critical infrastructure and has been split into two phases. Phase 1 was completed in December 2023. Phase 2- rock groynes between Cleveleys and the Rossall improvement scheme completed in 2018. Rock revetment and groynes from the Rossall scheme to Fleetwood Marine Lakes- commenced on 31st July 2023. The section of works at Fleetwood and

the works at Cleveleys were completed in August 2025. The scheme is currently on programme, with a completion date due in November 2026. Wyre will progress the Shoreline Management Action Plan (SMP 22) to ensure the plan remains current and the management of the coast is managed in a sustainable and strategic manner.

12.4.4 Our Future Coast Flood and Coastal Resilience Innovation Programme OFC FCRIP (Which is led by Wyre Council) are undertaking Nature Based Solution works at Fleetwood Dock, Piling, Preesall and Stannah (as well as other sites around the North West Coast) to improve the resilience of the defences and coastal communities through restoration and improvement to saltmarshes and coastal land. The schemes are funded through DEFRA with a completion date of 31st March 2027.

12.4.5 The planning 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 was approved on the 4th December 2024.. 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. The scheme will also create a saltmarsh habitat compensation site at Rawcliffe Road, to include a new defence wall, breach of the existing embankment and a temporary construction compound. The scheme is delayed subject to funding approval.

12.5 PMI51 – Number of Planning Permissions Incorporating Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)

12.5.1 There have been 31 planning permissions granted which incorporate SuDS. This equates to 6.28% 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 2024 to 31 March 2025 for flood prevention.

12.8 PM154, 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 (NO₂) with an air quality objective of 40µg/m³ (measured as annual mean).

12.8.3 Monitoring data from 2024 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 19.6µg/m³ and 19.2µg/m³ respectively. This marks slight decreases from 2023's monitoring data where there were recorded values of 20.3µg/m³ and 19.5µg/m³. This is an indication that the Air Quality Action Plan 2011 is providing positive impact.

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

12.9 PM155 – 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 NO₂ 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 NO₂ 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. Therefore, the AQMA has not been retained and revocation has been sought.

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 consecutively as being good since 2021.

Table 12.1: Bathing Water Quality in Wyre, 2023-2024 (EA)

Designated Bathing Water	2023 Classification	2024 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, 2019 and 2022 (EA)

Operational Catchment	River/ Watercourse	2019 Overall Status	2022 Ecological Status*	2022 Chemical Status	2022 Overall Status
Brook and Trib	Barton (Westfield) Brook	Poor	Poor	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Brock	Moderate	Good	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	New Draught Brook	Poor	No Data Available	Does not require assessment	No Data Available

Operational Catchment	River/ Watercourse	2019 Overall Status	2022 Ecological Status*	2022 Chemical Status	2022 Overall Status
	Woodplumpton Brook	Poor	Poor	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
Fleetwood Peninsula Trib	Hillylaid Pool - Main Dyke	Moderate	No Data Available	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Hillylaid Pool - Tidal Wyre	Moderate	No Data Available	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Lords Brook	Poor	Moderate	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Thistleton Brook	Moderate	No Data Available	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
Wyre and Calder	Calder (Wyre)	Moderate	Good	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Marshaw Wyre	Moderate	Good	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Tarnbrook Wyre	Moderate	Good	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Wyre - conf R Brock to tidal	Moderate	No Data Available	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Wyre - Upper	Moderate	Good	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Wyre DS Grizedale Brook confl	Moderate	No Data Available	Does not require assessment	No Data Available

Operational Catchment	River/ Watercourse	2019 Overall Status	2022 Ecological Status*	2022 Chemical Status	2022 Overall Status
Lune	Cocker Lune	Moderate	No Data Available	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Pilling Water	Moderate	No Data Available	Does not require assessment	No Data Available
	Ridgy Pool	Moderate	No Data Available	Does not require assessment	No Data Available

*Ecological status takes into consideration biological quality elements, hydro morphological elements, physio-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	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
SP1 SP2 SP4 SP7	PMI 48 SAI 11/2	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice in areas at risk from flooding	None (0)	None (0)	None (0)	Green
CDMP1 CDMP2 CDMP4	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	26	31	Green
	PMI 52	Inappropriate development in the Coastal Change Management Area (CCMA) a) completed annually	Monitor take up	a) None (0) b) None (0)	a) None (0) b) None (0)	N/A

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
		b)with extant planning permission				
	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 ³	2023= 20.3ug/m ³ (Site R1-3) and 19.5ug/m ³ (Site R4-6)	2024= 19.6ug/m ³ (Site R1-3) and 19.2ug/m ³ (Site R4-6)	Green
	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"	2023 = Good	2024 = 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 2025 data, there were a total number of five (5) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for crime deprivation. Wards included: Mount, Pharos, Park, with Rossall and Jubilee added this monitoring year.

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 2025 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 2025 data, there were a total of three (3) wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for living environment deprivation. Wards included: Pharos and Mount, with Hambleton and Stalmine added this monitoring year.

13.5 PMI61 & SAI6/4 - Number of Wards with LSOAs in Bottom 10% Most Deprived for Income Deprivation

- 13.5.1 From 2025 data, there were five (5) wards in the bottom 10% most deprived for income deprivation. Wards included: Rossall, Warren, Pharos, Mount, and Park.

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 2023 and March 2025.

Table 13.1: Recorded Crime for Key Offences in Wyre, April 2023 - March 2024 & April 2024 – March 2025 (ONS)

Offence Categorisation	April 2023 - March 2024	April 2024 - March 2025	Per 1,000 Population	% Change
Violence against the person	3,153	3,182	26.80	+0.9%
Sexual Offences	286	334	2.81	+15.48%
Robbery	39	44	0.37	+12%
Theft Offences	2,062	1,788	15.06	-16.4%
Criminal damage and arson	842	683	5.75	-20.8%
Total recorded crime - excluding fraud	7,233	6,031	59.10	-6.4%

13.6.2 As can be seen, total recorded crime has decreased (-6.4%) from the previous monitoring period. Theft offences and criminal damage and arson have seen a significant decrease (-16.4% and -20.8% retrospectively). Sexual offences have had the most considerable increase of 15.48%.

13.7 Indicator 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

Policies	Indicator	Description	Comparator / Target	2023/24 Output	2024/25 Output	Performance
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	5	Red
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	3	Red
	PMI 61 SAI 6/4	Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for income deprivation	Decrease	6	5	Green
	PMI 62 SAI 1/2	Crime rates per 1,000 of the population for key offences	Decrease	April 2023 – March 2024 = 63.0	April 2024 – March 2025 = 59.10	Green

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 decreased by 6.4% from the previous year. The most common offences are violence against the person (3,182) and theft (1,788). Areas suffering from deprivation for crime has increased slightly and now includes Jubilee. Living environment deprivation data now also includes the ward Hambleton and Stalmine.
- 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 February 2025 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

Regulation	Stage Description	Dates	Status
Reg 18	Preparation of a local plan	January 2022 to January 2026	Ongoing
	Scoping consultation	27 th January-10 th March 2022	Complete
	Issues and Options consultation	29 th July-10 th September 2024	Complete
	Preferred Options	Jan-March 2026	
Reg 19	Publication of a local plan	July-September 2026	
Reg 20	Representations relating to a local plan	July-September 2026	
Reg 22	Submission of documents and information to the Secretary of State	January-March 2027	
Reg 23 & 24	EIP Hearing Sessions	April- June 2027	

Regulation	Stage Description	Dates	Status
Reg 25	Publication of the recommendations of the appointed person ⁶	July-September 2027	
Reg 26	Adoption of a local plan	October-December 2027	

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

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

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, wastewater 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

Infrastructure Category	Project	2025 Position
Transport. Update has been provided by LCC Highways.		
Transport	Skippool to windy harbour junction improvements (Bypass)	Complete.
Transport	Victoria road junction improvements	Highways England Scheme.
Transport	Norcross Road/Fleetwood Road junction improvements	Highways England Scheme
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	With road safety/LCC design team.
Transport	Wider Improvement of A6 Preston Lancaster New	With road safety/LCC design team.

Infrastructure Category	Project	2025 Position
	Road/Croston Barn Road/Green Lane West/B5272 Cockerham Road/Croston Road Signalised Junction	
Transport	Improvement of Moss Lane/Longmoor Lane Priority Junction	With road safety/LCC design team.
Transport	Improvement of A6/A586, 'The Avenue' priority junction	With road safety/LCC design team.
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	To be delivered as part of a Section 278.
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.
Education. Update has been provided by LCC Education.		
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

Infrastructure Category	Project	2025 Position
		size of a school site. This is reserved for such a purpose, if required. A review into all reserved school land sites across Wyre is ongoing and will be shared in due course.
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. A review into all reserved school land sites across Wyre is ongoing and will be shared in due course.
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 required) to accommodate a school expansion. A review into all reserved school land sites across Wyre is ongoing and will be shared in due course.
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. A review into all reserved school land sites across Wyre is ongoing and will be shared in due course.
Education	Additional primary school places in Inskip –	Ongoing dialogue around the need for schools places in this area. A review into all

Infrastructure Category	Project	2025 Position
	extension to existing school	reserved school land sites across Wyre is ongoing and will be shared 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 undergoing feasibility. A review into all reserved school land sites across Wyre is ongoing and will be shared in due course.
Education	Additional primary school places in Garstang – new school	Conversations with the developer are taking place and movement on this site will be shared with WBC. Initial feasibility has been completed. A review into all reserved school land sites across Wyre is ongoing and will be shared 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.
Healthcare. Update has been provided by the Integrated Care Board.		
Healthcare	Expansion to GP practices in Thornton and/or Poulton as necessary	Awaiting feedback from Wyre estates on feasibility of converting Civic Centre.
Healthcare	Relocation of Great Eccleston GP surgery	Awaiting feedback from Wyre Council on the

Infrastructure Category	Project	2025 Position
		council acting as developer and land owner.
Healthcare	Expansion to GP practice in Garstang as necessary	Plans almost finalised to allow site commencement.
Healthcare	Alterations at Beechwood surgery	Completed.
Healthcare	Expansion of Lockwood surgery	Completed.
Healthcare	Expansion of Over Wyre Medical centre	Funding support still outstanding
Flood Risk Management. Update has been provided by the Environment Agency (EA).		
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	Completed.
Flood Risk Management	Install new top hung flap valve at Wardleys Creek outfall	Delayed with the Hambleton Scheme.
Flood Risk Management	Management and maintenance of local water courses (various locations)	Ongoing annual programme.
Flood Risk Management	Repair Rivermede embankment. St.Michaels	Completed
Flood Risk Management	Repair Broadfleet outfall flap	Ongoing- due to be complete November 2025
Flood Risk Management	Replace Catterall Footbridge	Completed
Flood Risk Management	Repair Garstang FSB East Gate	Ongoing- Phase 1 complete which upgraded the access infrastructure. Phase 2 planned 2026/27.
Flood Risk Management	Install new top hung flap valve at Wild Boar outfall	Completed
Community Facilities		
Community Facilities	Neighbourhood Centre including community/village hall, Forton	A Masterplan has been approved by WBC. The village hall has received planning permission.
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

Infrastructure Category	Project	2025 Position
		granted planning permission at Lambs Road (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. Paragraphs 24 and 25 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2024) (NPPF) outlines:

“Local planning authorities and county councils (in two-tier areas) continue to be under a duty to cooperate with each other, and with other prescribed bodies, on strategic matters that cross administrative boundaries.”

“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, water quality, 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 28 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 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 (2012) 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 31st March 2025, there are four approved neighbourhood plans in Wyre. Inskip with Sowerby Neighbourhood Plan Area was submitted in the monitoring year 2024-25. The Neighbourhood Area was approved on 2nd April 2025.
- 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 31st March 2025

Neighbourhood Plan	Neighbourhood area applicants	Neighbourhood Area Status	Neighbourhood Plan Stage
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	-
Inskip Neighbourhood Plan	Inskip with Sowerby Parish Council	Approved- 2 April 2025	-

**Recent engagement with Garstang Town Council has indicated that they are not actively preparing a neighbourhood plan.*

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. The council will use the register to inform policies in the emerging Local Plan.
- 18.1.3 Wyre Council has now implemented a two-part register, following a 3-week consultation in April 2024:
- Part 1: entries with a local connection and financial solvency
 - Part 2: entries with no local connection
- 18.1.4 At 31st March 2025, Wyre had one individual on part two of the register and no individuals on part one.
- 18.1.5 The Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act places a duty on the Council to grant enough 'development permissions of serviced plots of land' to meet the demand shown in Part 1 of the Register (but not specifically for those on the register). The entries on Part 1 together with the entries on Part 2 give the Council an indication of the overall interest in self-build and custom housebuilding.
- 18.1.6 Amendments to the Act came into effect in 2024 as part of the implementation of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023 (LURA). The amendments to the wording mean that development permissions must specifically be for 'the carrying out of self-build and custom housebuilding'. In ascertaining whether demand has been met, local authorities can no longer count what 'could' be self-build and custom housing, only what is actually permitted as such.
- 18.1.7 Due to these amendments, the Council has updated its approach to monitoring to only include permissions specifically for self-build and custom build housing. This considers matters such as the description of development, planning conditions and any relevant legal mechanisms as part of the identification of a self-build plot.

18.1.8 At 31st March 2025, there was one self-build dwelling completion (planning application 22/00024/FUL) and one extant planning permission for one self-build dwelling (planning application 22/00285/FUL)

18.1.9 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>

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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.
- 19.1.2 The councils register (provided in a standard format set nationally) provides publicly available information on brownfield sites that are suitable for housing.
- 19.1.3 At the time of writing, there are currently 14 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>
- 19.1.4 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

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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)
Objective 1						
PMI1	Available employment land, by area (ha)	No target, monitor availability	1			1
PMI2	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

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
PMI3	Amount of gross employment land (Ha) and net floorspace (sqm) with extant planning permission, by type: a) on allocated employment sites (including mix use) b) in existing employment areas c) Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone d) other	To meet requirements	1, 2			1,2, 3, 8
PMI4	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	No overall loss				1, 2, 3

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	employment areas c) Hillhouse Technology Enterprise Zone (regarding employment sites only) d) other					
PMI5	Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for employment deprivation	Decrease over plan period	1, 2			
Objective 2						
PMI6	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards education	No Target. Monitor contributions	7			
PMI7	Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom	Decrease over plan period	1			

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	10% nationally for education, skills and training deprivation					
Objective 3						
PMI8	5 year supply of deliverable housing	100% as set out in the latest HIS			1	
PMI9	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	
PMI10	Net additional dwellings on each housing allocation a) completions since 2011 b) with extant planning permission	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)
PMI11	% 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	
PMI12	Percentage and number of major developments providing housing for older people and people with restricted mobility	20% of 20+ dwellings	1, 2		2	
PMI13	Net additional dwellings, by size, type and tenure: a) in current year b) with extant planning permission	Monitor take up/change			2	
PMI14	Amount of permanent and	Monitor take up	1, 2		8	

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	transit pitch provision for gypsies and travellers					
PMI15	Amount of permanent plot provision for travelling showpeople	To meet locally identified need (GTAA as minimum)	1, 2		8	
PMI16	Number of buildings converted in to Houses of Multiple Occupancy (HMOs)	Monitor take up			10	
Objective 4						
PMI17	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

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
PMI18	Net additional retail floorspace with extant planning permission, 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
PMI19	Changes to defined primary and secondary shopping frontages	Monitor change				6
PMI20	Ground floor vacancy rates for Cleveleys, Fleetwood, Garstang, Poulton and Thornton	No Target. Monitor change	2			4
Objective 5						
PMI21	Percentage of new dwellings approved	Monitor take up	2			

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	within 1km of key services					
PMI22	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards health care	No Target. Monitor contributions	7			
PMI23	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards other infrastructure	No Target. Monitor contributions	7			
PMI24	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
Objective 6						

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
PMI25	Length of total and new dedicated pedestrian and cycle routes	Increase	2, 7, 8	3, 6		
PMI26	No. of developments receiving planning permission with agreed travel plan	No target		6		
PMI27	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards highways	No Target. Monitor contributions	1, 7	6		
PMI28	Percentage and number of new dwellings built within 1km of a bus stop	Monitor take up	2	6		
Objective 7						
PMI29	Number and change in areas of biodiversity, geological and landscape	No Loss (ha)	1, 2, 5	4		

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	importance (i.e. loss or additions (ha) of AONB, SSSIs, GHS, BHS etc.)					
PMI30	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		
PMI31	Condition of SSSIs	95% of SSSIs in favourable or recovering condition	1, 2	4		
PMI32	Number of Biological Heritage Sites (BHS) under active management.	Monitor over plan period	1, 2	4		
PMI33	Loss of the best and most versatile agricultural land*	No target. Monitor loss	1, 2	4		

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
PMI34	Gain/Loss/Number of: a) conservation Areas b) scheduled monuments c) listed buildings d) parks and Gardens	Monitor Change		5		
PMI35	Number of scheduled monuments and listed buildings considered to be at risk	No increase		5		
Objective 8						
PMI36	Number of new developments (by type) in the Green Belt: a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission	No development unless justified	2, 3			

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
PMI37	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
Objective 9						
PMI38	Length of total and new dedicated public rights of way (PROW)	Increase	2, 7, 8	3, 4, 6		
PMI39	Number of total and new green flag status parks	Increase over plan period	1, 2	4		
PMI40	Amount of Green Infrastructure lost to development (ha)	No Loss (ha)	1, 2	4	9	
PMI41	Amount of new green infrastructure (including public open space) provided through new development:	Monitor provision/contributions against Local Plan Policy Standards	1, 7,8	3, 4	9	

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	a) on-site b) off-site contributions through CIL and/or S106 agreements					
PMI42	Number of open space sites above 80% quality score	Increase over plan period	1, 2	3, 4	9	
PMI43	Number of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for health deprivation	Decrease over plan period	1, 2, 8			
PMI44	Number of Health Impact Assessments (HIA)	Monitor take up	8			
Objective 10						
PMI45	Per capita amount of CO2 emissions in the LA area	No target, monitor change				12
PMI46	New renewable energy installations, by type (Feed in tariff in MW)	Increase	2			12

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
PMI47	Number of Electric Vehicle Recharging Points	Increase over plan period	2	1, 6		12
Objective 11						
PMI48	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice in areas at risk from flooding	None (0)	2	2		
PMI49	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice on water quality grounds	None (0)	2	2		
PMI50	Upgrading of flood defences to 1 in 200 year standard at: 1) Rossall Hospital to Fleetwood Golf Course 2) Fleetwood Docks	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)
	to Hillhouse 3) Hillhouse to Stanah					
PMI51	Number of planning permissions incorporating SuDS	No Target. Monitor improvement	2, 7	2		
PMI52	Inappropriate development in the Coastal Change Management Area: a) completed annually b) with extant planning permission	Monitor take up	4			
PMI53	Number, type and amount of financial contributions through CIL and/or S106 towards flood prevention	No Target. Monitor contributions	7	2		
PMI54	Measure air pollutants within Air Quality	Monitor change	1	1		

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	Management Areas (AQMA)					
PMI55	Number of total and new AQMAs designated in the Borough	Monitor change		1		
PMI56	Bathing water quality	Improve to 'Excellent' rating	1	4		
PMI57	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to HSE advice	None (0)		1		
Objective 12						
PMI58	Number and distribution of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for crime deprivation.	Decrease over plan period	1	3		
PMI59	Number of LSOAs in the bottom 10% most deprived for barriers to housing and services	Decrease over plan period	1, 2	6		

Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI)		Target /Outcomes	Strategic Policies (SP)	Core Development Management Policies (CDMP)	Housing (HP)	Economy (EP)
	provision deprivation.					
PMI60	Number and location of wards with LSOAs in the bottom 10% nationally for Living Environment deprivation	Decrease over plan period	1, 2	1		
PMI61	Number of wards with LSOAs in bottom 10% most deprived for income deprivation	Decrease over plan period	1			
PMI62	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

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
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
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

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
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
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

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
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
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	Employment land take-up	Cumulative take-up of land for employment development to plan period requirement of 43ha.

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
	development across the borough		
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
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

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
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
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

SAI Ref	Objective	Sustainability Appraisal Indicator	Target - to be refined and developed further to best fit monitoring of the local plan
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).	No new AQMAs to be designated in the Borough. Achievement of UK Air Quality Strategy objectives for specific pollutants
SAI13/2	To protect and improve air quality	Local air quality monitoring results for nitrogen and particulates	No new AQMAs to be designated in the Borough. Achievement of UK Air Quality Strategy objectives for specific pollutants
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)

