

**LANCASHIRE LOCALS – PROPOSED REMIT AND FUNCTIONS**

Lancashire Locals will have a broad general remit as well as a wider range of services and functions over which local members can take decisions, exercise influence or monitor delivery and performance. This would mean that, within approved policies and budgets, the individual Lancashire Locals could respond to local circumstances without the need for frequent referrals back for constitutional changes.

**GENERAL REMIT**

- Lancashire Locals will be able to express views on policy, strategy or other matters specifically referred to them by the County Council or the District Council, and where appropriate to co-ordinate consultation with local stakeholders and communities.
- Lancashire Locals can also advise the County Council and/or the District Council and other public bodies as appropriate on issues of local interest or concern which are brought to its attention by members, local area councils or committees or other bodies, and members of the public.
- The County Council will assess the opportunities presented by the Lancashire Locals to support new national policy initiatives (e.g. Every Child Matters, LAAs etc).
- Lancashire Locals will have a key role to play in helping the County Council to respond to the Government's increased emphasis on neighbourhoods. To this end, Lancashire Locals will have authority to take decisions on County Council matters referred to them by Parish and Town Councils, Neighbourhood Management Boards and/or District Area Committees/Forums, provided these are within their remit and within approved policies and budgets.

**SERVICES AND FUNCTIONS**

The functions included in the table below are those which have been identified as suitable for any or all of the following:-

- Devolved decision making
- Local influence
- Local monitoring and examination

<b>SERVICE AREA AND SPECIFIC FUNCTION</b>	<b>ROLE OF LANCASHIRE LOCAL</b>		
	<b>DECISION MAKING</b>	<b>SHAPING/ INFLUENCING</b>	<b>MONITORING</b>
<b>Highways</b>			
Highways policies and standards	No	Yes	-
Local Transport Plan	No	Yes	-
Highway special maintenance schemes	No	Yes	Yes
Street lighting special maintenance schemes	Yes	-	Yes
Local safety schemes/Capital Programme Schemes e.g. walking and cycling proposals	Yes	-	Yes
20 mph Zone - objections	No	Yes	Yes
Safety Cameras	No	Yes	Yes
Crime reduction street lighting capital schemes	Yes	-	Yes
Retaining Walls Strengthening Programme	Yes	-	Yes
Street Scene e.g. rationalising road markings, street furniture etc	No	Yes	Yes
Highway related Licences – eg. pavement cafes	Yes	-	-
Residents parking schemes	Yes	-	Yes
IT Public Enquiry reporting system – fault reporting of highways defects etc	No	-	Yes
Traffic regulation orders - If objections	Yes	-	-
School Crossing Patrols – Where there are staff vacancies, prioritising appointments	Yes	-	Yes
School Travel Plans, Where objections received	Yes	-	-
Locations for Pedestrian Crossings	Yes	-	-
<b>Local Bus Services</b>			
Consultation on local bus network and proposed changes in provision (subject to statutory timescales)	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Bus Shelter Provision</b>			
Location of Bus Shelters within LCC responsibility e.g. Quality Bus Routes, If objections	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Car parking</b>			

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Charges and use of income generated from on-street parking (LCC responsibility)	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Community Transport</b>			
To discuss local community transport needs	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Environmental Projects</b>			
Lancashire Environmental Action Fund, Green Partnership Awards, Small Sites Reclamation Programme and Reclamation and Management of Derelict Land	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Waste</b>			
Consultation on proposals for potential sites for future waste recycling and transfer facilities, as part of the Lancashire Waste Management Strategy	No	Yes	Yes
Location of Waste Facilities within the district area, where there are realistic options	Yes	-	-
<b>Countryside Service</b>			
Consultation on future Public Rights of Way Improvement Plan	No	Yes	Yes
Progress reports on Public Rights of Way Network	No	Yes	Yes
LCC Countryside and Recreation Policy	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Adult Services</b>			
<b>Locality Commissioning Plans (LCP)</b>			

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Long Term Residential and Nursing Home Placements – Annual presentation of the LCP outlining how local services were being developed and delivered to meet local needs	No	No	Yes
Short Stay Placements – Annual presentation of the LCP outlining how local services were being developed and delivered to meet local needs	No	No	Yes
Rehabilitation Service – Annual presentation of the LCP outlining how local services were being developed and delivered to meet local needs	No	No	Yes
Day Care and Day Services – Annual presentation of the LCP outlining how local services were being developed and delivered to meet local needs	No	No	Yes
Domiciliary Care – Annual presentation of the LCP outlining how local services were being developed and delivered to meet local needs	No	No	Yes
Very Sheltered Housing – Annual presentation of the LCP outlining how local services were being developed and delivered to meet local needs	No	No	Yes
<b>Partnership Boards</b> <i>(Partnership Boards are made up of all the key stakeholders in a locality. This includes Service User and Carer representatives, PCT, Social Services, District Council (Housing), and the private and Voluntary Sector. The aim of the Partnership Boards is to bring together key stakeholders with the aim of shaping and influencing how services across agencies are delivered and developed within a locality. The Partnership Boards hold Senior Officers from Social Services, PCT and the District Councils to account for delivering local plans and government policy).</i>			
Learning Disability Partnership Boards – Annual presentation to keep local councillors informed and provide opportunity to examine and influence services for people with learning disabilities.	No	Yes	No
Physical Disability/Sensory Impairment Partnership Boards – Annual presentation to keep local councillors informed and provide opportunity to examine and influence services for people with physical disabilities/sensory impairment.	No	Yes	No

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Older People Partnership Boards - Annual presentation to keep local councillors informed and provide opportunity to examine and influence services for older people.	No	Yes	No
<b>Supporting People</b>			
The Supporting People Team would present an annual report to Lancashire Local on what's happening within the district. The report would include performance information and information on service development and delivery.	No	No	Yes
<b>Adult Education</b>			
Development of Community learning provision, especially in areas of deprivation	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Cultural Services</b>			
Consultation on the pattern of library opening together with other appropriate local developments	Yes	Yes	Yes
County Museums Service - local management arrangements	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Children and Young People</b>			
Development of District based links for the Every Child Matters Agenda	No	Yes	Yes
School Organisation Reviews/School Place Planning	No	Yes	Yes
School Performance	No	No	Yes
Development of the 'Youth Matters' agenda	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Asset Management</b>			
Development of joint County and District Council asset management and shared facilities, particularly one-stop shops.	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Customer Access</b>			
Development and integration of Customer Access Strategies and service delivery	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Performance Information</b>			
Monitoring a range of appropriate district based performance information	No	Yes	Yes

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Monitoring and advising on County Council actions identified in local community strategies.	No	Yes	Yes
Monitoring County Council performance at the District level towards the Local Area Agreement (LAA)/reward element of LAAs (formerly LPSA).  <i>(LAAs are agreements between Central Government, County and District Councils and other Public Service Providers. These agreements are designed to improve services by setting demanding targets which have been agreed locally).</i>	No	No	Yes