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Planning Policy Update

Local List for Leyland

Local listing is a means for a local community to decide what it is in their area that makes a contribution to its character and historical legacy and as such what they would like recognised as a 'locally important heritage asset'. Whilst locally important heritage assets do not enjoy the protection of statutory listing, which is the responsibility of Historic England, they are given some degree of protection through the planning system.

Following a consultation over the summer, the Council has been analysing the suggestions received. A draft Local List for Leyland is due to go to Planning Committee for approval for consultation in December 2017, with consultation taking place early in the New Year.



Once the Leyland Local List is complete, we will be looking to do the same for other areas of the borough.

Preston City Centre Transport Plan

South Ribble Planners sit on the steering group for the above project.

The Plan will set out a 20 year vision for movement and connectivity both internally and externally to the City. Although it is City Centre focused it will consider wider influences and cover all modes of transport. The Vision objectives are:

- Great Streets & Spaces
- Rebalancing Accessibility
- Healthy People & Environment
- A Growing & Sustainable Economy
- Future 'New Letters' will update on progress.

Neighbourhood Plans

Neighbourhood Plans, also called Neighbourhood Development Plans, were introduced by the Localism Act 2011. Communities are able to prepare neighbourhood planning documents, outlining how they envisage their area developing in the future.



Penwortham has had a [neighbourhood plan](#) in place since March 2017. If you are interested in producing a neighbourhood development plan, please contact us on planningpolicy@southribble.gov.uk to arrange a meeting and receive guidance, including how to apply for initial designation of your proposed area boundary.

Please forward this newsletter to other interested parties. If you wish to be added to or removed from our database, please contact us.

Jargon Buster

What is Safeguarded Land?

Within the borough, several areas of land remain safeguarded for use in the future. These are not designated for any specific purpose within the current Plan period. These are shown in solid yellow on the [Policies Map](#).

Existing uses on Safeguarded land will, for the most part, remain undisturbed during the Plan period or until the Plan is reviewed. Planning permission will not be granted for development which would prejudice potential longer term, comprehensive development of the land.



Latest additions to our evidence documents

Employment Study

To compliment the SHMA report below, a Central [Lancashire Employment Land Study](#) has also been commissioned and the final report just received. The study is required to provide a common evidence base for all three local authorities on employment matters. This follows the guidance in the National Planning Policy Framework which requires that each Local Plan is based on adequate, up-to-date and relevant evidence about the economic, social and environmental characteristics and prospects of the area. Local planning authorities have to ensure that their assessment of strategies for housing, employment and other uses are integrated.



Strategic Housing Market Assessment

The Central Lancashire Authorities have just published an updated the [Strategic Housing Market Assessment](#) (SHMA). It has been carried out across South Ribble, Preston and Chorley as this is the housing market area (HMA). The purpose of the SHMA is to provide an assessment of future needs for both market and affordable and the housing needs of different groups within the population. It considers the need for different size of homes. The SHMA does not set housing targets but provides the evidence to then review housing targets in the future revisions of the Local Plan.

Retail Study

The third document commissioned and recently completed is a [South Ribble Retail and Leisure Study](#).

The four areas covered by the Study are:

- to understand the shopping behaviour of local residents living within and adjacent to South Ribble
- to undertake a health check assessment of the principal centres within South Ribble including the Capitol Centre
- to assess the future capacity for new retail floorspace across the Local Plan period through to 2030
- to provide strategic advice on the overall future 'retail need' in the Borough in the context of Central Lancashire

