



## **Scrutiny Review of Town Centres**

October, 2012

## **MONITORING REPORT – OCTOBER, 2014**

Councillors Marjorie Adams, Smith Benson, Tommy Cooney, Lindsay Gaskell (Leader), Ann Kerrigan and Ian Tweedie

	Actions	Accepted/ Rejected	Executive Response	HAS THE ACTION BEEN FULLY IMPLEMENTED? (If No, please state reasons/ report any progress to date in next column)	PROGRESS (Please indicate (1) the steps you have taken, (2) what remains to be done and (3) the anticipated date of full implementation)
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5.5	In developing the new Local Plan consideration should be given to				
(a)	the potential benefits of amending some town centre boundaries, e.g. reducing Nelson's and extending Barrowford's to include Gisburn Road as far as Newbridge.	ACCEPTED	The Development Management Development Plan Document ("DPD") will be the detailed part of the Local Plan for Pendle. The DPD will allow the Council to consider what the town centre boundaries for each of our towns should be	NO	The Planning & Building Control Manager indicates that there is no progress to report.
(b)	exploring any opportunities to address problems caused by Use Classes, especially, e.g.	ACCEPTED	It will set planning policies that will determine what town centre uses are to be allowed in each of the town centres.	NO	There has also been national legislative changes that have been recently introduced which

	where these apply to empty premises.				has added in flexibility.
(c)	exploring the potential benefits to our town centres of introducing our own permitted development rights.	ACCEPTED	Uses that are seen by the Council to be acceptable will lead to discussions on whether the introduction of Local Development Orders would be appropriate to automatically grant consent between uses. The Government following the Heseltine Review, are looking at ways to speed up the process of introducing such orders. The Planning Manager will bring a report forward at the appropriate time.	NO	The Planning & Building Control Manager indicates that there is no progress to report.