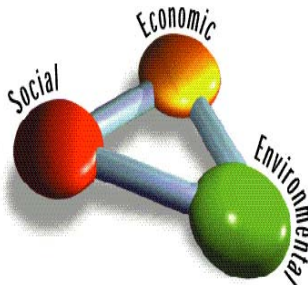


What's the purpose of the Core Strategy?

The Core Strategy is a strategic planning document. It sets out the overall direction for development and growth in Pendle up to 2026.

It seeks to promote sustainable development, by achieving the right balance between the environmental, social and economic needs of the area, in order to ensure a better quality of life for people both now and in the future.



The Core Strategy is the key local component in the new planning system and will form the basis for all planning decisions in the Borough.

How will the Core Strategy be used?

Planning Officers in our Development Management team will use the Core Strategy on a daily basis to help inform their decisions on planning applications.

It will also provide developers with a clear indication of:

- the amount and type of development that the Council will support in different parts of the Borough;
- the timescales for delivery of new development;
- the standards of design and levels of sustainability the Council is seeking to achieve in new development; and
- the level of protection afforded to areas valued for their natural environment or built heritage, where development will be resisted, or required to meet higher standards of design.

Our Pendle Our Future: Pendle's Sustainable Community Strategy

The Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) is prepared by Pendle Partnership, the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) for the borough. The LSP brings together representatives from the statutory, voluntary, community and private sectors to develop strategies, initiatives that address local problems and allocate funding accordingly.

The SCS is often referred to as the '**strategy of strategies**' as the actions of all organisations active in the area should help to deliver its eight priority goals.

As the 'spatial expression' of the SCS, the Core Strategy sets out the requirements for the development and use of land in the borough.

What's in the Core Strategy?

The Core Strategy establishes the Council's strategic objectives for development and growth in Pendle. The main features of the document are:

- The promotion of sustainable development.
- A strong focus on concentrating growth in established urban areas, particularly those in need of regeneration.
- Meeting our identified development needs.

Key Chapters

Spatial Vision says what we all want Pendle to be like by the end of the 15-year plan period.

Spatial Strategy shows how Pendle will evolve over the next 15 years.

Strategic Objectives set the broad direction for change.

Strategic Policies establish the foundations for a sustainable future.

In particular, the following policies include delivery targets and/or proposals for the phasing or distribution of new development:

- Housing Distribution (SDP2)
- Housing Provision Phasing and Delivery (LIV1)
- Affordable Housing (LIV3)
- Employment Distribution (SDP3)
- Employment Land Supply (WRK2)
- Renewable & Low Carbon Energy Generation (ENV3)



How did we get here?

Early and continuous engagement with key partners and the public is at the heart of the planning system. Our commitment to this principle is set out in the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), which was adopted by Pendle Council in March 2007.

Earlier public consultations helped to identify the key issues that need to be addressed by the Core Strategy and the ways in which these could be overcome.

Further consultations have also been carried out when preparing documents that form part of the 'robust and credible evidence base' required to underpin all development plan documents.

What's the Preferred Options Report?

The Core Strategy (Preferred Options Report) builds on the findings of these earlier consultations and the available evidence. It sets out the Council's approach to future development and growth in Pendle, having carefully considered all the realistic alternatives.

Please see the green panel overleaf for details of how you can comment on the report.

What happens next?

The comments received to this consultation will be carefully considered by Pendle Council. Changes will be made to the Core Strategy, resulting from your comments.

In early 2012 Pendle Council will publish what it considers to be the final version of the Core Strategy. At this time a further six week public consultation will allow you to comment on whether you consider the document to be sound.

To be sound it must have been prepared in accordance with the regulations and be:

- Justified – the most appropriate strategy, when considered against the reasonable alternatives
- Effective – deliverable over the period of the plan
- Consistent with national planning policy

Following this consultation the Core Strategy together with all the comments relating to its soundness will be submitted to the Secretary of State, who will appoint an Inspector to conduct an independent examination of the document.

How can I comment?

You can find copies of the Preferred Options Report, on the Council's website and at venues throughout Pendle (see below). Your comments should ideally be submitted online, or on the official representation form, although a letter or email is perfectly acceptable.

How can I find out more?

Copies of the Preferred Options Report and all supporting documents are available to view or download from the Council's website (see back page) and reference copies are also available at:

- **Nelson** – Number One Market Street / Library
- **Colne** – Library
- **Barnoldswick** – Library

All Council Shops / local libraries will have a copy of the Preferred Options Report and the representation forms.

If you have any questions, please phone a member of the Planning Policy team, or call in at one of the following drop-in sessions.

Date & Venue	Times
Friday 4 November Number One Market Street, Nelson	10:00-16:00
Tuesday 8 November Market Car Park, Colne *	10:00-12:30
Lower Muni, Colne	14:00-18:00
Thursday 10 November Rainhall Centre, Barnoldswick	16:00-19:00
Tuesday 15 November Village Hall, Fence	12:00-14:00
Community Centre, Brierfield	16:30-18:30
Wednesday 16 November Village Hall, Barley	17:00-19:00
Thursday 17 November Community Centre, Trawden	14:00-16:00
Friday 18 November Village Hall, Kelbrook	14:00-16:00
Monday 28 November Silentnight Car Park, Salterforth *	10:00-12:30
Tuesday 29 November Four Alls Inn, Higham *	10:00-12:30
Wednesday 7 December Hare & Hounds, Foulridge *	14:00-16:00
Thursday 8 December Holmefield House, Barrowford *	10:00-12:30
New Road Community Centre, Earby *	14:00-16:00
Friday 9 December Emmott Arms Car Park, Lanesshaw Bridge *	10:00-12:30

* Event will be held in STAN the Van

Borough of Pendle



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Pendle Core Strategy Preferred Options Report



Public Consultation

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