

REPORT FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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POLICY THEMES - ANNUAL REPORT

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide an update on the following policy themes: Community Safety, Prevent, Cohesion, Children and Young People, Health and Wellbeing, Climate Change/Emissions, Equality and Diversity and Pendle Vision Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Policy and Resources Committee:

- (1) Notes the annual progress of these thematic areas, and challenges to delivery.
- (2) Explores the option for Pendle Community Safety Partnership to join the Pennine CSP (see Appendix 1 business case).
- (3) Notes the proposal of community asset transfer of Colne Youth Centre (Byron Road) to Positive Action in the Community (PAC).
- (4) Determines what, if any, action the Council and partners could take to consider child poverty in Pendle, e.g. by establishing a Scrutiny Group.
- (5) That the Policy and Resource Committee approve the Annual Emissions Report 2017/18 (Appendix 3).
- (6) Determines what, if any, further action the Council should take on climate change matters, acknowledging the limited resources available to do it.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To recognise and take forward partnership working in order to deliver the Objectives in the Council's Strategic Plan.

Background

When the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) structure was disbanded in 2013, it was agreed that the main theme groups which delivered Pendle Sustainable Communities Strategy continue, and report progress to the Council's (then) Executive, in recognition that partnership working is key in delivering the Council's Strategic Objectives. An annual report has been provided since then.

Each of these theme areas impact on each other to a varying degree and work in one area can have a direct or indirect benefit in another. It is important to recognise these linkages, and to encourage joint working across the Council, and between partners. Building more effective partnership working is even more significant in today's climate of constant change and reduced resources, in order to meet the needs of Pendle's communities.

Community Safety

Pendle Community Safety Partnership (CSP) meets on a quarterly basis. The CSP continues to collaborate within the Pennine Lancashire Community Safety Steering Group, via attendance at those meetings and in joint Pennine ventures such as the resurrected Reducing Reoffending Board. Colne Community Safety Area Working group has continued to address local community safety issues and Area Committees have included local community issues in their agendas.

Pendle CSP has a statutory requirement to develop a three-year Partnership Strategy. Following a workshop with partners and ongoing consultation, a draft is being developed and will be taken to the next CSP meeting on 10th June 2019 for discussion. This will include proposals on priorities for task and finish groups to take forward.

Pennine Community Safety Partnership currently consists of Burnley, Rossendale and Blackburn with Darwen. It is the statutory CSP for all three areas and they share a Pennine CSP Strategy. There is an appetite from the Pennine CSP members to bring Pendle and Hyndburn on board to cover a wider Pennine footprint and to bring benefits for increased funding, efficiencies and enhanced partnership working. The business case for this is outlined at Appendix 1. In doing so, Pendle could still retain a local approach to Community Safety via a Forum and/or task and finish groups, whilst discharging the statutory responsibility, and being a part of, the Pennine CSP.

Current Crime and Disorder Trends

An overview of crime and disorder has shown a continued rise in all types of crime within the Borough and this reflects increases across Lancashire. The position from April 2016 to April 2018 shows crime on the increase year on year:

	16/17	17/18	Number	% Difference
All Crime	5787	6801	1014	+ 17.5
Burglary Dwelling (16/17) Burglary Residential (17/18)	337	442	105	+ 31.2
Assaults with Less Serious Injury	679	738	59	+ 8.7
Vehicle Crime	692	608	- 84	- 12.1
Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents	4185	3804	- 381	- 9.1
Domestic Assaults	306	429	123	+ 40.2
	17/18	18/19	Number	%

				Difference
Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents	3804	2767	-1037	- 27.3
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It should be noted that a new Police recording system was introduced during November 2018, which means that reliable comparative data isn't currently available for 2018-19. The way that crime is now recorded has changed and this will have an influence on the statistics.

The East Lancashire Community Safety Scorecard for the latter part of 2018, as presented to the Pennine Community Safety Steering Group, can be found at Appendix 1.

Progress

- Blackburn CCTV Hub continues to manage and monitor cameras 24/7 in Nelson, Brierfield, Barnoldswick and Earby.
- Improvements to CCTV in Barnoldswick have taken place, along with new CCTV and lighting at Tunstill Square, Brierfield; and four cameras around Nelson and Colne College/ underpass/ Scotland Road have been connected to the Hub.
- Continued work with Positive Action in the Community to retain additional Domestic Violence Services for young people (Look Out funded until 2020 National Lottery) and support for the HAPPI project dealing with young homeless.
- Pendle CSP supported the Sanctuary Scheme (for PDVI clients to help secure their homes) in the last quarter of 2018/19 when previous underspend for the scheme had to be returned to Lancashire County Council.
- The Domestic Violence Forum continues to provide a partner focus on DV in the Borough and deliver the DV Action Plan.
- With the OPCC funding, SMILE Mediation continues to be funded, along with some multiagency youth engagement work – currently in Colne, with the opportunity to work in other parts of the borough.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) - Community Protection and Victim Support

• We use a multi-agency case management approach to working with victims at risk of harm from anti-social behaviour and vulnerable adults with complex needs. This is managed through the Pendle Anti-Social Behaviour Risk Assessment Conference (ASBRAC) and Transforming Lives Panel. We are currently working with eight vulnerable victims and twelve vulnerable adults with an average time with the Panel of 3.9 and 4.7 months respectively. The two processes work because of the commitment of a range of partners and the interventions actioned between Panel meetings. During the lifetime of this strategy

we will work with partners to improve referral and initial intervention processes and review information sharing protocols.

- Mediation, using the SMILE organisation, is an integral part of resolving neighbour and other disputes and we continue a joint funding approach with Burnley Council funded by the Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner. Over 90% of referrals result in a resolution for the parties involved. We increasingly use the service for one party conflict resolution coaching and as a first point of contact for Transforming Lives referrals.
- Use of the new powers brought in with the Anti-Social, Crime and Policing Act, 2014 continues with 371 community protection cases recorded to 21 May 2019. Of these 73% have been resolved; 68% without any formal warning; 92% without serving a Community Protection Notice and 99% before prosecution. There are eleven Public Spaces Protection Orders in place in Pendle with specific remits around alley gates; alcohol control; dog control and behaviour in parks; play areas, multi-use games areas and sports grounds.
- Police ASB incident reporting is down 26% for the twelve months to 31 October 2018. During this period there were 3027 incidents reported compared with 10,600 in 2005/06.

Organised Crime Groups

- A GENGA/ Serious Organised Crime (SOC) Panel is established in both Pendle and East Lancashire, to coordinate action locally. Going forward, Pendle and Burnley will be one Panel given the vast cross-over between Organised Crime Groups (OCG's) operating across the boundary. They are both multi-agency forums.
- The PAM online system continues to be used to exchange information on Organised Crime Groups across East Lancashire

Pendle Locality Review `

This review was carried out by the Home Office Violence and Vulnerability Unit in November 2017. It is a one-day process for local areas as part of the national strategy to tackle gangs and serious youth violence. It works as a broad-brush set of interviews and focus groups with front-line practitioners to gather information, knowledge and perception whilst building a qualitative picture of the key issues and drivers around county lines, gangs, youth violence and vulnerability.

This was to help recognise the crime being committed in private spaces as well as the public sphere; this type of crime often involves the criminal exploitation of children and adults on a physical, sexual and/or financial basis. Groups of offenders such as organised crime groups and disengaged young people carry out this abuse, often via illegal drug markets. Most of this violence and exploitation is not reported and won't always show up in recorded crime statistics.

County lines is an evolving national issue involving the use of mobile phone lines by groups to extend their drug dealing business to new locations outside their home areas. This issue affects overtly and covertly most areas around the country.

A report was produced following this process, and Paul Cullen from the Violence and Vulnerability presented the key findings and recommendations to Pendle Community Safety Partnership (plus other partners) in March 2018. He returned in October 2018 to lead a 'support day' with CSP partners to help to implement the recommendations from the Locality Review. The identified actions have been incorporated into the action plan for the Burnley and Pendle Exploitation Prevention and Awareness Group, which reports into the CSP.

Brierfield Action

Brierfield Strategic Group was established and met quarterly from May 2018 to April 2019. As a multi-agency group, key actions have been taken forward. Some of these are:

- LAL Raising Aspirations event
- Pendle 2050 event
- Massey Street PSPO

During this time, there have been changes, such as the end of Lottery funding for Brierfield Action in the Community (at the end of 2018/19) which resulted in staff changes, so Brierfield Youth Forum ceased to meet. Pendle Youth Forum still exists to work across the Borough. At the same time, the activities provided by BFC in the Community have grown at Northlight.

It is also recognised that there is a capacity issue for agencies to focus on a single part of Pendle when other, district-wide networks exist. These include the Pendle Community Safety Partnership; Pendle Youth Forum; Burnley and Pendle Exploitation Group and Pendle Genga Panel.

Pendle Youth Forum is currently supporting a multi-agency response to the well-publicised antisocial behaviour issues around Sainsbury's, McDonalds and KFC car parks in Colne; engaging with young people. One proposal being considered is asset transfer of the Lancashire County Council owned Youth Centre on Byron Road, Colne, to Positive Action in the Community (PAC); to provide a facility for young people.

There is potential for this kind of targeted youth work to also take place in Brierfield and other parts of Pendle. It is a credit to the agencies working in and around Brierfield that the work outlined in the action plan (and beyond) has, and continues, to be achieved. This involves effective and ongoing partnership working, through well-established links.

Prevent

The Prevent Duty was introduced in the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015. As a result, Pendle Council has a statutory duty to have due regard to prevent the individuals being drawn into terrorism. We have a compliance plan covering key areas and over 90% of staff have undertaken training to recognise and respond to signs that individuals are at risk. Tailored sessions for waste operatives to recognise specific activity linked to terror have taken place. The plan will be updated this year.

From April 2019, Lancashire is part of the Office of Security and Counter Terrorism (OSCT) pilot programme were the OSCT are piloting cluster-based County-level approaches to Prevent delivery in 2019-20 in three areas – Kent, Buckinghamshire, and Lancashire. These pilots are designed to explore innovative delivery at county level and across a mixed economy of county and unitary authorities, to show how different types of local authorities can work together to manage risk and prioritise delivery into hotspot areas. OSCT will provide funding to build a Prevent hub in Blackburn with Darwen to service delivery across Blackburn, Lancashire and Blackpool. Initially this funding is for the financial year 2019-20.

The Proposed structure is as follows, due to be implemented from July 2019:

- *East Prevent Partnership Group* comprising Burnley, Pendle, Rossendale, Hyndburn, Ribble Valley and Blackburn with Darwen Council areas. Local Prevent leads from Police, FE/HE, Health, Probation, CRC, Education etc.
- *West Prevent Partnership Group* as above, but comprising Blackpool, Wyre, Fylde and Lancaster Council areas.
- South Prevent Partnership Group as above, but comprising Preston, South Ribble, Chorley and West Lancashire Council areas. Local Prevent leads from Police, FE/HE, Health, Probation, CRC, Education etc.
- *Prevent Oversight Board* Chairs from the three partnership groups as well as key Prevent leads.
- Community Reference Group (one in each area) representatives of local groups, faith groups, community activists and third sector.

Community Cohesion

We continue to collaborate with Building Bridges, who lead on the Good Neighbours Project. Alongside funding from the Big Lottery and Bowland Trust, Pendle Council is supporting Building Bridges in this work, with a commitment of £7,500 per year for four years (from 01.07.17).

The two key networks that the Council supports Building Bridges with are the Community Cohesion Action Network (CCAN) and the Forum of Faiths.

The **Community Cohesion Action Network** (CCAN) consists of representatives from community groups across Pendle with a responsibility to maintain Cohesion as a priority local agenda. The aim is to provide a space to discuss local cohesion matters and develop a structured 'partnership' approach towards tackling some of the challenges we are facing.

- The CCAN has a membership of 43 people from 31 agencies/organisations which represent a cross-section of our community and a good geographical range of our borough. This includes, Community, Education, Police, Health, Housing, Faith, Young People, Refugees and Asylum seekers, older people, Women and BME communities.
- A review of CCAN took place in November 2018, which resulted in decisions to:
 - Agree on a theme for all meetings and possible guest speakers invited accordingly. The intention is that themes are selected on the basis of leading to practical things that CCAN members and community groups can act upon for local benefit.
 - The quarterly meetings now take place at venues across Pendle and no longer just in Nelson Town Hall. The meeting in August 2019 will be held in a public setting in Nelson Town Centre (outside the Shuttle).
- Members meet regularly and on a quarterly basis with average attendance of around 25 people.
- In-between meetings there is a system in place whereby members can circulate weekly activity and events updates on a fixed day. This helps to sustain a connection and contact in-between our face to face meetings.

 Events steered by outcomes of CCAN meetings: Good Neighbours Day ward based events which ran in July 2018 and 'Talking Society' events September 2018 in Brierfield Library on Young People and February 2019 in Colne Town Centre on Cohesion and Race.

Pendle Forum of Faiths (PFF) aims to bring together faith leaders to develop friendships and understanding on common social issues and interfaith matters.

- This forum's membership was reviewed in March 2019 and includes 15 people from 11 Churches and 4 Mosques across the borough. The PFF runs very differently to CCAN and the focus is to bring people together for discussion, dialogue and relation-building.
- Regular meetings take place, once every 4 months with an average attendance of 7 people. Additional meetings have taken place between members to further discuss the direction of this forum and to ensure that it is led by the 'Faith community', with BB Pendle as a partner providing essential administration and coordination services.
- PFF met in:
 - > June 2018 At BB Pendle office about planned Peace walk events.
 - > November Social meeting marking Interfaith week 2018.
 - > April 2019 Review of PFF meeting.
- Joint public statements released following recent terror attacks in New Zealand and Sri Lanka.

Events steered by outcomes of PFF meetings:

- Community Peace Walks in June 2018.
- Peace Vigil following New Zealand terror attacks and public conversation using the Talkaoke in Nelson Town Centre in March 2019.
- Positive working links still exist between:
- St Luke's Brieffield with Brieffield Jamia Mosque Involvement with annual Faith and Music events in the Brieffield Community Centre.
- St Paul's in Nelson with Nelson Community Mosque Regular joint assemblies (1 per school term) at Marsden Primary School and upcoming community event in July.

Lancashire Safeguarding Boards

The Government's *Working Together to Safeguard Children* statutory guidance 2018, means that Local Safeguarding Children Boards will no longer exist from September 2019. Multi Agency Safeguarding Arrangements (MASA) will replace them.

The MASA will include 3 main statutory partners: Police, Health and Local Authority. The new arrangements will be published by June 2019 and will commence by September 2019. The MASA will operate on three footprints across Lancashire, as with Prevent: East / West / South.

The Local Safeguarding Adults Board will remain as they are for now.

Currently, discussions are ongoing between the Lancashire, Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool Boards and a potential pan-Lancashire merger.

Burnley and Pendle Children's Partnership Board (CPB)

The Board has been on hold for some time now, given that the Lancashire Children's Trust is still being reviewed, pending an outcome for the future of local CPB's.

However, the Burnley and Pendle CSE Sub Group continues to meet and now takes on a wider 'child exploitation' awareness raising role, looking at criminal exploitation, county lines, etc as well as CSE, in line with the Lancashire Exploitation Team (formerly CSE team) and national policy.

Attendance at meetings has varied; membership includes both district councils, Police, Engage, LCC Exploitation team and voluntary sector.

The group has expanded its remit, to raise awareness of all types of exploitation, including Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE) and County Lines. This is in line with national policy, and follows the direction of Lancashire County Council Children's Social Care, who has expanded its CSE team to become an Exploitation team.

Posters have been produced and distributed to raise awareness amongst the 'night time economy' sector, including local take-away premises, pubs, clubs, hotels and taxi offices. The Police are planning to undertake visits to hotels and B&B's to raise awareness.

The group is also responsible for taking forward some of the actions in the Locality Review action plan (as previously mentioned).

Within the Localities and Policy team, we continue to provide mandatory training to new Pendle taxi drivers on CSE and Human Trafficking. There is a requirement for this to be repeated every three years when licenses are renewed. As part of this session, we provide training on dementia awareness.

Child Poverty

A report by Loughborough University: *Local indicators of child poverty, 2017/18*, has been published in May 2019: <u>http://www.endchildpoverty.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/child-poverty-indicators-2019-report-to-ecp-1.pdf</u> It says:

Child poverty exists in every part of the UK, but in some local areas, the risk is far higher than in others. In some local areas, the majority of children are below the poverty line. As the present national increase is projected to continue under present policies, with rates set to reach record levels by the early 2020s, children's life chances in the worst-hit areas are set to diminish further. More significantly, the figures suggest overall that child poverty is rising fastest in places where it is already high, and we report on evidence to suggest that inequalities between areas are growing.

It puts Pendle as 9th out of the top 20 local authorities with highest levels of child poverty across the UK – after housing costs; with 44.7% (10,293) children in poverty in 2017/18.

Pendle is identified as 19th of top 20 local authorities with highest levels of child poverty across the UK – before housing costs; with 31.7% (7,299) children in poverty in 2017/18.

Out of 29 electoral wards with the highest levels of child poverty across the UK (after housing costs), i.e. above 60%, three wards in Pendle feature: Bradley at 69.2% and Whitefield and Walverden both at 63.2%.

This is put to the Committee to determine what, if any, action the Council and partners could take to consider child poverty in Pendle.

Pendle Challenge

We continue to support the Pendle Challenge, through the quarterly Steering Group meetings and in supporting the governance of the Group and its task groups to deliver the Pendle Challenge Action Plan.

The following projects are ongoing:

- Pendle Reading Challenge and the Imagination Library
- Developing Future Leaders
- English as Additional Language Sharing
- Voice Pendle (oracy project)
- Arts in Early Years Project (with Curious Minds)
- Children's University
- Enterprise Advisor Network
- Business in the Community project

A new project, Raising Aspirations, will begin with participating schools from September, involving Year 6 pupils to consider their future and the world of work.

Debbie Corcoran of Nelson and Colne College continues to Chair the Steering Group meetings.

In the context of attempting to address educational under-performance in Pendle (and other parts of East Lancashire), the Council is working with Lancashire County Council and Burnley and Hyndburn Councils to hold an Education Summit. This will take place on 12th June 2019 and will explore the issues of 'leadership' and 'teaching and learning'. The summit is intended to focus on these two themes across educational phases (early years, primary and secondary) to assess long term opportunities that may exist that support children and young people to achieve greater outcomes.

Health and Wellbeing

Clearer structures are now emerging from the Lancashire & Cumbria Integrated Care System (ICS). The **Pennine Lancashire Integrated Care Partnership** (PLICP) better known as **Together a Healthier Future**, is one of the 5 sub partnerships of the **Lancashire & Cumbria Integrated Care System** (ICS). It aims to deliver local improvement through integrated care models by working with a variety of health and care organisations in neighbourhoods. The Leader of the Council, supported by Pendle's Chief Executive, represent the District Councils on the Pennine Lancashire ICP.

Pendle is also the district representative on the **East Lancashire Local Community Partnership** (LCP). This is a group of leaders and representatives from each of the 9 PCN in East Lancashire, of which there are 2 in Pendle. **Primary Care Networks** (PCN) are groups of practices working together based on a geographical area and with an all age patient base of 30,000 to 50,000, to provide resilient and sustainable core general practice and primary care.

Integrated Neighbourhood Teams (INTs), of which there are 2 in Pendle, are GP practices working in partnership with a range of services such as community services, social care and CVS to enable people to self-manage their conditions, live and keep well in the community and reduce hospitalisation.



Although the district Health & Wellbeing Partnerships are acknowledged in this structure, there still appears to be a disconnect between ICP and the wider preventative Health & Wellbeing Board structure. The locality health partnerships are not currently engaged with their corresponding PCNs and there is no council representation on the PCNs. Currently our only input into the INTs are referrals into our Transforming Lives panel. PCN approach is very much focussed on secondary prevention but to ensure a whole system approach, primary prevention is also required, which is the contribution we can make as a district council. Going forward, we need to influence the emerging structures to strengthen this wider population health approach.

Pendle Health & Wellbeing Partnership (PHWBP)

Over 2018/19, Pendle Health & Wellbeing Partnership, now in its second year and aligned with PBC's Health & Social Care Scrutiny Panel, prioritised Healthy Eating, Mental Health and Physical Inactivity. These priorities were reflected in a number of initiatives driven by the Partnership:

Healthy Schools

PBC's Health & Social Care Panel undertook a Healthy Schools review as requested by PHWBP. This resulted in the commissioning of a Pendle Healthy School pilot, CHAMPS (Confident, Healthy, Active, Motivated, Positive). Funded through social prescribing, it is a joint initiative between PLT and Burnley Football in the Community (BFiC) and targets children and their families in Colne and Brierfield primary schools.

• Social Prescribing

In 2018/19, Pendle benefited from ELCCG social prescribing investment to the value of £68,000 to help empower communities to take action for their own health and wellbeing. Nine Pendle projects were awarded funding along with four East Lancashire initiatives. Projects included a summer holiday club to address hunger, a social inclusion initiative and therapeutic horticulture.

• Employment support

There has been improved joint working between Primary Care and DWP, with a pilot Patient Advisory Service launched in Colne. The learning has since been applied to other Primary Care settings.

Pendle's Employment Support through Sport programme

Now in its second year and proving very effective in engaging the 'hard to reach', the project, delivered by Active Lancashire, has to date supported in excess of 176 ESA claimants with a long term illness or disability. Over 48 have participated in regular tailored physical activity interventions and 10 have gone on to secure work. Work is now underway to enhance the offer to include placements in Pendle businesses, working closely with PBC's Business Support team to facilitate this. The 2 year PBC grant funding ends in November 2019 so alternative options will need to be considered to ensure continuation of this successful project.

Dementia Positive Pendle

2018/19 saw the rebranding of the Pendle Dementia Action Alliance under the 2 new co-Chairs. Now Dementia Positive Pendle, the group facilitated the development of a monthly Dementia Hub, a memory Choir in Colne, regular community Dementia Friends sessions and extended partnership working with the private sector. Dementia Awareness Week 2018 involved a joint initiative with PLT with the screening of a dementia theme film at ACE, the launch of LFR Herbert Protocol and a new volunteer leaflet.

Together an Active Future (TAAF)

Pennine Lancashire's Together an Active Future is one of only twelve national Sport England Local Delivery Pilots, securing significant investment from Sport England. It offers an excellent opportunity to build on and accelerate preventative approaches to health improvement and is currently in its test and learn phase. Pennine Lancashire has access to a guaranteed £3 million for this phase (up until 2021), 75% of which will be allocated as a 'local level' resource and distributed to each district council for them to allocate via their Locality Health Partnerships. Pendle's allocation is in the region of £370k.

Healthy Place, Healthy Future

Pennine Lancashire has been selected as one of the 13 Discovery Phase areas of the Local Government Association's Childhood Obesity Trailblazer Programme (COTP) to help tackle childhood obesity in our communities. Of these 13 Discovery Phase areas, 5 will be chosen as the Pathfinder areas and awarded 3 year funding (£300k) to support implementation of their plans. The Pennine Lancashire submission, Healthy Place, Healthy Future, aims for a coordinated approach to childhood obesity, focussing on areas with high number of neighbourhood fast food outlets, and links four levers for change to achieve the best outcomes:

- Local Planning- consistent approaches to planning and health across all 7 councils
- System Leadership- affect change in the emerging health and social care structures
- Business Growth and Development Programme- support existing A3/ A5 businesses to develop healthier, affordable alternatives.
- Social Movements for a Healthier Food Offer- support communities to drive demand for healthier takeaway food.

Emerging issues for Health and Wellbeing policy:

- Influence the emerging PCNs to drive system leadership change with greater involvement from Members to help drive the prevention agenda.
- > Alignment of the emerging ICS with Health & Wellbeing Board structure
- Continuation of Pendle Employment Support through Sport post November 2019
- Supporting the delivery of the COTP, regardless of the outcome of the submission. There is commitment across Pennine Lancashire to tackle childhood obesity and the insight and

structures gained from the Discovery Phase provides a strong platform for developing this work. However, capacity could be an issue for districts, particularly if the submission is unsuccessful. It will involve input from EH Teams and Planning along with corporate support.

Supporting the delivery of TAAF. PBC is the lead for Pendle's TAFF, working closely with PLT. This is likely to be a significant area of work for 2019/20.

Climate Change- Monitoring annual CO2 Emissions

As with previous years, we have produced our Annual Emissions report (Appendix 2) to capture emissions from our operations in accordance with the "Guidance on how to measure and report your greenhouse gas emissions" (DEFRA 2013), using the latest published emission conversion factors and calculation spreadsheet.

We have maintained annual reporting on our emissions since the cessation of our Climate Change Action Plan in 2014 and this, along with 2 energy reduction Pls, remains our only corporate commitment to tackling climate change.

Our Annual Emissions Report highlights the quantity of Greenhouse Gas Emissions we have generated throughout 2018/19 within one of 3 categories (defined as Scope 1, Scope 2 or Scope 3 in the Guidance). The data for each category varies greatly hence the importance of defining the Scopes within the report:

Scope 1 – Fuels used in boilers, furnaces or turbines.

In the Council's case, this is <u>natural gas used in Council owned and managed</u> <u>properties</u> and Council <u>controlled transport</u> (mainly waste and cleansing services, ground maintenance vehicles and light commercial vans). This doesn't include council owned Pendle Leisure Trust sites/ travel.

Scope 2 -Consumption of purchased electricity. For the Council this is <u>electricity consumed within Council owned and managed</u> <u>buildings</u>. This doesn't include council owned Pendle Leisure Trust sites

Scope 3 –This includes <u>business travel for staff where they are using their own vehicles</u> <u>and outsourced activities. It includes Pendle Leisure Trust and some Liberata</u> <u>controlled buildings and staff travel</u>.

For the purposes of this report, our energy consumption from our building stock, transport fleet and staff travel has been converted to CO2 emissions (tonnes) using DEFRA's 2018 conversion factors.

Scope 1 & 2 both relate directly to PBC emissions generated from our building stock and transport fleet. The building stock includes all council buildings, including Liberata managed sites such as markets and admin buildings. It does not include PLT sites; this is included within Scope 3. Scope 3 also includes CO2 generated from staff business travel (both PBC and PLT staff).

It should also be noted that CO2 conversion factors vary annually as these are adjusted according to the year's weather conditions. Thus percentage changes for CO2 may differ from actual energy consumption. However, overall direction of travel remains the same.

Our corporate annual targets for CO2 are 2% reduction for our building stock and 5% reduction for our transport fleet. These are reported annually via the following 2 PIs:

- > LCP 9a Carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions reduction from local authority building stock
- LCP 9b Carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions reduction from local authority travel

Table 1 below summarises progress within each of the 3 Scopes and shows that the targets for our building stock and transport have been achieved, along with an overall reduction of 10%.

Table 1- CO2 pattern	s for each Scope
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	CO2 emissions 2017/18	CO2 emissions 2018/19	% difference
Scope 1			
Gas consumption	298	289	-3
Owned transport	629	614	-2
Process emissions	Not calculated	Not calculated	
Fugitive emissions	Not calculated	Not calculated	
Total scope 1	927	903	-3
Scope 2			
Purchased electricity	214	155	-26
Total scope 2	214	155	-26
Significant Scope 3			
Business travel	30	26	-13
Employee commuting	Not calculated	Not calculated	
Waste Disposal	Not calculated	Not calculated	
Product in use	Not calculated	Not calculated	
Outsourced services	1,036	884	-15
Total significant scope 3	1,066	910	-15
TOTAL	2,209	1,968	-11

In the above Table, our building stock, split across both Scope 1 & 2, shows a reduction of 3% for gas generated CO2 and 26% for electricity generated CO2. However, when compared to actual consumption data, total electricity usage fell by 8% in 2018/19, not 26%. The variation is because the 2018 conversion factor for electricity was significantly higher in 2017 that 2018 (0.35156 in 2017 and 0.28307 for 2018).

Annual gas consumption in Nelson Town Hall and Elliott House reduced by 5% and 1% respectively. There was also a reduction in electricity usage in Nelson Town Hall but an increase of 2% in Elliott House. Combined, actual energy consumption (KwH) for our building stock declined by 4%.

Our fleet fuel consumption reduced by 3% over the reporting period. The fleet used 233,768 litres of fuel in 2018/19 compared to 242,311 litres the previous year. This equates to a reduction of 2% when converted to CO2.

2018/19 also saw a reduction in the business miles undertaken by both PBC and PLT staff. A total of 89,509 miles generated 26 tonnes of CO2, compared to 99,295 business miles and 30 tonnes of CO2 the previous year.

PLT, included in Scope 3 under outsourced services, continues to reduce their energy use in both electricity and gas, equating to a combined CO2 reduction of 15%.

In 2018/19, we exceeded the reduction target of 2% for our building stock by achieving an overall 4% reduction. However, it appears we did not meet the 5% target for our transport fleet, achieving a reduction of just 2%.

Emerging issues for Climate Change policy

P&RC is requested to consider our current approach to climate change. If this is deemed adequate, we will continue to monitor emissions annually and retain our PIs. But should there be a desire to strengthen our response to climate change; this will need to be done in a targeted way with actions focussing on key environmental themes, given the limited capacity available to drive this agenda.

Equality and Diversity

Following a review of the work of the Corporate Equalities Steering Group (CESG) in May 2018, it was agreed that in order to maximise resources and avoid duplication, Management Team would take on the role of CESG as part of its wider work going forward. Since this time, there has been:

- Continued work towards the actions identified in the Equality Objectives Action Plan 2018-2022 – May 2019 update
- Report submitted to Management Team in relation to the use of Emotional Support Animals (ESA) and Service Animals. It was agreed that there was no need to change the Council's Equal Opportunities Policy in relation to use of ESA's and that a case by case approach be taken by individual Service Areas towards the use of ESA's in relation to their areas of responsibility.

There are no known legislative developments expected in the short-term with regards equalities issues but it is anticipated that there will be an increase in requests to use ESA's when accessing services and amenities provided by the Council.

Pendle Vision Board

Over the last 12 months the Pendle Vision Board has continued with its aim of promoting the economic wellbeing of the borough and enhancing the quality of life in Pendle. The group represents a number of the borough's business people to offer one voice to represent the private sector of Pendle. Once again this year saw the Board welcoming new business members; the board is representative of the economic make-up of Pendle.

The Vision Board meetings give an opportunity for Members to discuss business conditions in the light of major events, and challenges both locally and nationally. This year in particular discussion has focused on connectivity and major regeneration projects in Pendle, and how they will directly impact on the economy of the area.

A focus on the skills agenda has also remained high. The Vision Board supports a number of initiatives including the Pendle Challenge, the national Enterprise Advisor Network, and the recently launched Careers Hub (Blackpool, Burnley and Pendle). The programmes seek to improve careers and enterprise advice and activities within schools by engaging employers to work with schools and colleges to develop careers. The Vision Board has also received presentations regarding the new Apprenticeship Levy and the implications of this for businesses

In addition, the Vision Board supported the annual Work Inspiration event in February 2018. Work Inspiration is a 1 day event to provide students with an all-inclusive, business led opportunity to explore possible careers. Approximately 900 pupils attended from Pendle schools together with 24 local businesses.

The Vision Board also supported the annual Focus on Your Business week in October 2017. This is an annual event which hosts workshops to support and target businesses from start-up stage right through to sector leading companies. The week involved 17 different events/workshops with approximately 206 delegates attending.

Following the success of the Pendle promotional film produced last year, the Vision Board will continue to promote Pendle through a recently established "Make It In Pendle" campaign, which will be launched in Autumn 2018.

Pendle Vision Board continues to be complemented by Pendle Connects. These events are free to attend and open to any Pendle business. They involve a guest panel of experts debating a particular topic or sharing knowledge, with an opportunity for business networking before and after. Four events are held every year, with approx. 40 businesses attending each time.

The sixth Pendle Business Awards were held in July 2018 at the Fence Gate Inn, the awards are held every two years and celebrate the success of businesses in Pendle. The event is jointly hosted by the Vision Board in partnership with Pendle Council. This year saw a record number of businesses applying for the awards.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: All are priority policy action areas for the Borough Council and its partners. The delivery will make a significant contribution to the Council's Strategic Plan.

Financial: No direct implications from this report. Groups such as Pendle CSP, DAA and CCAN are currently attracting funding into Pendle to deliver actions or support delivery.

Legal: Delivery of this work supports the Council deliver its legal responsibility

Risk Management: No direct implications from this report.

Health and Safety: No direct implications from this report.

Sustainability: These policy areas assist in building and maintaining healthy, safe, economically sustainable communities in Pendle

Community Safety: Pendle CSP fulfils the Borough's statutory responsibility under the 1998 Crime and Disorder Act

Equality and Diversity: The Council's Equality and Diversity policy continues to be applied across these areas of work.

APPENDICES

- Appendix 1: Pennine CSP Business Case
- Appendix 2: East Lancashire Community Safety Scorecard
- Appendix 3: Annual Emissions Report

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Pendle Community Safety Strategy 2016-19 (2019-22 is in development)

Burnley and Pendle Exploitation Prevention and Awareness action plan

Brierfield Strategic Action Plan

- Pendle Council Prevent Compliance Plan
- Pendle Challenge Action Plan
- Pendle Council Equality Objectives Action Plan 2018-22

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