

TOWN INVESTMENT PLAN - INITIAL PROJECT PROPOSALS (July 2020)

Project	Details	Towns Fund Required Y/N	Capital / Revenue Towns Funding required	Other Funders and Key Partners
Theme: Urban Regeneration, planning and land use				
Pendle Rise Shopping Centre	Refurbishment/redevelopment to reduce vacant retail space and introduce new uses	N		FHSF Developer
Reduction or re-use of vacant office space	Refurbishment/redevelopment/change of use of town centre office space including introduction of more housing	Y	C	FHSF Developers Registered Providers
Bring forward sites for housing	Identify and bring forward suitable sites across Nelson including developing and delivering a Town Centre Residential Strategy	N		Homes England Developers Registered Providers
Development of a traffic strategy	Ensure that traffic flows support emerging masterplan proposals. Identify opportunities to tackle pinchpoints	N		LCC
Development of a car parking strategy	Increase long term parking provision to encourage businesses to locate in and around the town centre and ensure there remains sufficient short stay parking for shoppers and other visitors	Y	R & C	Businesses
Increase electric car charging points	Identify suitable sites to increase provision – consider with project above	N		Utility providers
Extra Care housing	Progress a scheme at Bankhouse Road, Bradley	N		Homes England Calico
Improve health inequalities	Maintain and enhance existing health provision in the town	N		East Lancs CCG Childhood Obesity Trailblazer
Review of Public Service Provision and Assets in Nelson	Review the use of public service assets in Nelson including Number One Market Street, Library, Nelson Town Hall, Fleet Street Depot, Police Station	N		OPE Public Service Providers Developers Registered Providers

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Riverside Mill, Bradley	Acquire the site and develop for residential/commercial uses	Y	C	Developer
Marsden Park Golf Club	Develop part of the site for housing to support redevelopment of a new clubhouse	N		Homes England Developer
Improve the Arts and Culture Offer	Use arts and culture to engage residents and raise their wellbeing and raise the profile of the town	Y	C & R?	Arts Council InSitu SuperSlowWay
Re-use of vacant/underused sites and buildings	Identify and bring into use key vacant/underused buildings and sites for residential/employment uses.	Y	C	Homes England Developers Registered Providers Private Sector PBC
Business improvement initiatives	Working with local businesses and local employers within the towns larger employment areas to improve the quality of their premises and environments, creating a more cohesive and coordinated employment identity along important local and strategic routes. Enhancements could include upgrades to cladding and materials (to improve sustainability and opportunities to incorporate renewal technology), improved entrances and parking (car and bike parking) tree planting and signage.	Y	C	Private Sector
Theme: Skills and enterprise infrastructure				
Improve skills to meet future business needs	Develop and deliver a Skills and Employment Strategy for Nelson	Y	R	LEP Skills Board Public Service Providers Pendle Vision Board Nelson & Colne College

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Improve infrastructure for delivery of Skills, Education including the Development of a Digital Skills Hub and Academy	Capital investment for the provision of Technical Education and Apprenticeships. The establishment of a new skills centre facility in Nelson town centre and the repurposing and modernising existing facilities within Nelson and Colne College's main site. It will create an incubator within Nelson to help young people and reskilled digital pioneers to create and nurture their businesses.	Y	C	LEP Skills Board Public Service Providers Pendle Vision Board Nelson & Colne College
Support the Advanced Manufacturing Sector	Given the predominance of Advanced Manufacturing expertise in Nelson, invest in the provision of the skills supply chain	Y	C & R?	LEP Skills Board Public Service Providers Pendle Vision Board Nelson & Colne College
Improve educational attainment	Working with the Education System (through all phases of education – Nursery, Primary, Secondary and Further Education), including supporting the Pendle Challenge, to invest in better educational outcomes for Pendle's future workforce	Y	C&R?	Schools Lancashire County Council NW School Improvement Board Education Endowment Fund
Increase workspace	Acquire and develop sites to provide modern workspace, ideally well located to the road network including, for example, the Apprenticeship and Training Centre,	Y	C	Developer
Youth Employment Service (YES) Hub	A holistic employment support service for our young people; a 'one stop shop' where people can go to access a range of information, advice and guidance along with a breadth of learning, training and apprenticeship opportunities. In conjunction with partners, it will offer a full range of accredited qualifications (i.e Functional Skills, Essential Digital Skills, sector specific qualifications including Health & Social Care, Child Care and Education, Business and Cleaning Services). Where learners require a more bespoke learning package, or where learners are further away from	Y	C&R	N&CC Lancashire Adult Learning DWP Pendle Council

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	the jobs market, learning programmes will be designed and tailored to meet individual needs.			
Theme: Connectivity				
A56 Villages Bypass	Improve the road connectivity to West and North Yorkshire to improve the economic potential of the town	N		LCC TfN
Colne-Skipton Rail Link	Re-instatement of the Colne to Skipton rail route to improve the economic potential of the town	N		LCC TfN Network Rail Selrap
Improving the existing rail service	Installation of a passing loop to enable the existing single track to provide more frequent services	N		LCC Network Rail
Improve walking and cycling routes, including increased opportunities to connect to the Canal towpath	<p>Promote greener modes of transport and improve health.</p> <p>Key gateways and links will be able to provide safe, legible and more attractive routes than those strategic sites identified above by connecting to the Leeds Liverpool Canal towpath at Carr Road and Pendle Street and the cycle routes along it. The routes identified include:</p> <p>Where proposed cycle and pedestrian routes intersect with the Leeds & Liverpool Canal, opportunities to create a link onto the towpath should be provided if they do not exist (for example along Carr Road)</p>	Y	C	LCC Canal and Rivers Trust
Enhance Digital Connectivity	Identify opportunities to improve digital infrastructure in the town	Y	C	Businesses
Enhancing Key Gateways	To improve people's perception of the town while softening the transition as they move from strategic transport links to the town centre, etc. A variety of potential enhancements to the corridor to improve the overall	Y	C	LCC

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	<p>sense of arrival, reduce car dominance, encourage active travel and increase the opportunities to cross the route at key points. Enhancements could include tree planting and street greening, SUDs, footpath widening and introduction of cycle lanes, improved pedestrian crossing facilities and traffic calming measures.</p> <p>These could be located:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At Junction 13 of the M65, where there is the potential to welcome a large number of visitors to the town, both at the Scotland Road and Reedyford Road approaches; • At specific points along Scotland Road, such as at the New Scotland Road and Leeds Road junctions where there is space to include pedestrian and cycle crossing points; • At Junction 12 of the M65 on the Churchill Way approach; • At Railway Street adjacent to Nelson Interchange, especially if proposals to reinstate the Colne to Skipton rail line come to fruition, allowing funding to come available; and • At the Scotland Road/Clayton Road or Scotland Road/Pendle Street junctions where there is the potential to improve the public realm and incorporate better crossing facilities over Scotland Road, to improve access between Home Bargains and the town centre. 			
Strategic Route Review	<p>Creation of a strategic set of routes around the town centre could be reinforced, or re-established in some cases, to allow good access without causing significant traffic issues within the civic and residential areas in and around the centre. Further traffic assessment and modelling would be required to determine routing options.</p>	Y	C	LCC