

## **BAP ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORT ACTION PLAN**

### **Scope of The Action Plan**

To include approaches, milestones and targets in the Community Plan

To link to the Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy and national floor targets

To refer to proposals arising out of Pride in Burnley report

### **Issues for E&T group members (NB refer back to remit of group)**

- E&T group members to identify any gaps relating to E&T – strategies, plans, directives – that should be incorporated
  - Eg - no overview or approach to local transport issues such as access to the M65 from J11, pedestrian access to stations, road safety issues, signage at stations, parking space
- Priorities – what should these be, where should subgroup efforts be directed, what capacity is there
- Clarity required about who makes decisions about what in order for group to be able to influence
- Current position – availability and reliability of baseline information
- Responsibility for delivery
- What E&T/BAP can do to add value to existing activities
- Links to and influence on local, subregional, regional and national plans and priorities
- Opportunities for lobbying

### **BURNLEY'S FUTURE – THE COMMUNITY PLAN**

The Community Plan Vision is “to achieve a Burnley we can all be proud of. A Burnley that will become a place with a diverse and united community, a modern economy, a healthy safe and clean environment and quality services which work together for the good of the public”

From this derive 4 priority objectives

1. to celebrate our diverse community and foster pride in our borough
2. to develop a prosperous Burnley with a high quality of life and opportunities
3. to develop a sustainable Burnley: healthy, safe, green, clean and well-housed
4. to provide high quality integrated services for Burnley people

Under each priority objective is listed a number of key approaches that will be adopted in order to achieve the priority.

Each priority also details milestones to be attained as well as specific targets to measure progress.

Environment and Transport issues feature throughout the Plan and link to other themes such as the economy, community safety and health.

**Community Plan Priority objective 1 – to celebrate our diverse community and foster pride in our borough**

**key approaches**

<b>1</b>	<b>what</b>	<b>Strategy/supporting plan</b>	<b>Suggested lead partner</b>	<b>BAP Sub group</b>	<b>links</b>	<b>Key contact</b>
	BAP endorses the government policy that a high quality well managed built environment both contemporary and historic is necessary for community cohesion	Local Plan Single Pot Elevate	BBC	E&T	Bpch Elevate, CABE English Partnerships, British Waterways,LCC, NWDA	Louise Kirkup

**Definition of built environment**

- New build – housing, retail, commercial
- Renovated building
- Heritage buildings – eg Weavers Triangle
- Open spaces within the built environment

**Target**

To ensure the adoption of the Sustainable Design Guidance (developed for use by Elevate) initially for all Elevate development and then to be rolled out to apply to the rest of the borough.

**Measurement**

- by November for initial adoption.

**Other potential issues and measures**

- Other design issues and targets for heritage buildings
- Planning issues
- Involvement of CABE
- Relationship with Elevate

**Mechanism**

- through design working group

**Community Plan Priority Objective 2 a prosperous Burnley with a high quality of life and opportunities**

**Key approaches**

2	What	Strategy/Supporting plan	Suggested lead partner	subgroup	links	Key contact
2.1	Promote strategic public transport improvements-including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resumption of service to Manchester via Todmorden curve</li> <li>• More frequent services to West Yorkshire</li> <li>• Direct services to S. Yorks and Merseyside</li> <li>• Re-opening of Colne-Skipton rail link</li> <li>• East Lancs rapid transport system</li> </ul>	ELP rapid transit 20:20 vision	BBC	Envr and Transp	Lancs CC ELP Other LSPs	Nina

**Issues** – to recognise limits and identify where decisions are made, work with and influence others, refer and relate to strategic plans for ELancs, Lancs, W.Yorks, NW

To consider the “Northern Way” proposals – the implications for and relevance of transport issues to this and the relative importance of different cities/hubs ie Manchester or Leeds.

To consider issues of transport integration eg putting bikes on trains

**Target** – to identify opportunities to promote Burnley priorities and make good use of the opportunities, ensure Burnley included in all relevant consultations and firm responses made

**Measures** – record events and discussions BAP members involved in and putting forward BAP priorities

**Mechanism** – set up transport group to identify opportunities and promote Burnley priorities

**Added Value** – coordinated approach, more powerful and credible lobby

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2	What	How	Strategy/Supporting plan	Suggested lead partner	subgroup	links	Key contact
2.2	Ensure businesses aware of and comply with environmental responsibilities	Through work of the BusinessEnvironment Assoc. and Economic Development Unit	Eco Devt	Groundwork	Env and Transp	CERRT Eco Devt Partnership Elevate Environment Agency	Mike Parr

**Issues** – what involvement does BEA have in Eco Strategy Partnership Group – need to establish links

**Targets** – national targets recently issued for which Groundwork to be responsible for monitoring.

**Immediate Actions** - Mike to check and discuss with Env Agency to link to targets such as air or water quality and to identify timescale over which could be measured

Helen to talk to Business Broker re links to Employers forum

**Mechanism** – to be developed through working with EDU, BEA

2	What	How	Strategy/Supporting plan	Suggested lead partner	subgroup	links	Key contact
2.3	Support Padiham Life to regenerate Padiham and improve services to villages	Practical assistance to move from planning to delivery	Padiham – Market Town initiatives action plan	Initiative Burnley	Economic	Initiative Burnley LCC Environment Agency Burnley NWDA	Karin Wilson

**Action** – need to refer to action plan for Padiham check what’s in it that’s relevant/has implications for E&T. Mike Parr to talk to Karin Wilson

**Priority Objective 3 To develop a sustainable Burnley – healthy, safe, clean, green and well-housed**

**Key approaches**

<b>3</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>Strategy/supporting plan</b>	<b>Sub Group</b>	<b>Suggested lead partner</b>	<b>links</b>	<b>Key contact</b>
3.1	Promote community initiatives to tackle low level pollution affecting the quality of the local environment including litter, dog fouling, dumping and graffiti	BBC strategic plan	Env and Transp	BBC	BCN BPCH CSP LCC	BBC Street scene manager Sarah Schofield

**Issues** – more information needed about who and what’s involved in StreetScene, role of LCC, BPCH, BCN. Should Streetscene working group report to E&T.

More information needed about targets for Operation Red Card – Groundwork steering some of their projects to support this initiative.

LCC issues around tipping and use of amenity sites.

Implications for and of neighbourhood management – local priorities, joined-up service provision

All need to be brought together under agreed set of targets and related to those already included in CP – see final section below

**Pride In Burnley –**

The PIB campaign proposals relate to the CP objective 1 to foster pride in our borough but identify pride in the environment as a key component in any successful campaign. The report makes specific recommendations about

- Clean up Burnley days
- Streetscene volunteers
- Contact numbers
- Enforcement
- Tree planting activities
- Branding

The Marketing Burnley task group of BAP is now responsible for implementing the PIB campaign and the recommendations need to link to Streetscene and Operation Redcard activities so that these are undertaken in a coordinated way that maximises the potential branding and marketing opportunities of the PIB campaign. Monitoring of the impact and effectiveness of Streetscene, the E&T group and the PIB campaign needs to be linked.

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3	what	how	strategy	Sub group	Lead partner	links	contact
3.2	Support the development of a network of high quality and well-maintained open spaces	NAPS Elevate Master planning	Cultural strategy Local plan Mkt renewal	Envr and Transp	BBC	BPCH Groundwork BCN LCC CABE Space, Elevate Environment Agency	Mick Wellock (in relation to new spaces)

**Issues** – Growing Places set up to coordinate open space issues but not now involving Elevate. How is Elevate widening its remit to existing groups

**Targets**

1. to map existing open space activity – who is doing what
- 2 to coordinate activity

**Timescale, measures and mechanisms** to be discussed

3	what	how	strategy	Sub group	Lead partner	links	contact
3.3	Support the development of a network of safe cycle and footpaths	NAPS Elevate Master planning	Cultural strategy Local plan Market Renewal	Envr &Transp	BBC	BPCH Groundwork BCN LCC ELP Sustrans	Sarah Schofield

**Issues** – what are LCC responsibilities for this. How is this reflected in current and planned transport plans.

What is in Parks and open spaces strategy.

What are links to health and road safety issues and initiatives eg Walking the way to health project, child pedestrian accident targets

Need to include bridleways

**Target** - E&T group to support any funding applications to support this approach, to lobby and promote

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**Actions** -LCC to provide info on links to road safety and actions relating to Community Safety Partnership/Floor target to reduce child road deaths

3	what	strategy	Sub group	Lead partner	links	contact
3.4	Support British Waterways canal corridor study for East Lancs	Waterways study	Envr and Transp	British Waterways	BCN LCC Groundwork Tourism EDU	Vaughan Jones

**Issues** – wide ranging report but number of supporting activities already underway eg canalside heritage lottery bid, weaver’s triangle masterplanning, interest in dry dock restoration.

**Target** – to implement litterboat proposal (linking environmental and Community Safety benefits)

**Action** –E&T group to discuss how to take forward – timescale, funding, working with other Boroughs  
Possible issue for East Lancs Partnership environment forum to consider

3	what	strategy	Sub group	Lead partner	links	contact
3.5	Support the development and implementation of projects that contribute to the biodiversity action plan for Lancs	Lancs Biodiversity action plan	Envr and Trans	Lancs Wildlife Trust	Groundwork SAP BBC Planning British waterway	Kim Coverdale (to confirm)

**Issues** – lack of clarity about implications for Burnley

**Target** – to work with the Wildlife trust to develop local targets and to embed principles of biodiversity AP so that they support other actions. To use as reference document for determining how to action other points ( as in Planning decisions)

**Measure** – see Community Plan targets below

**Action** –expert advice/presentation about implications for Burnley – invitation to a E&T subgroup meeting to Wildlife Trust LSP link person (about to be appointed). Louise to talk to Kim Coverdale.

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3	what	how	strategy	Sub group	Lead partner	links	contact
3.6	Promote the opening up of the rivers Calder and Brun to make them a more positive feature of the local landscape	Local plans and NAPs Town Centre Masterplan Padiham Life Action Plan	Env agency Local Plan NAP	Envr and Transp	BBC	BBC Planning Environment agency PCT	David Brown

**Issues** – current poor visibility and access but opportunities developing – eg proposed LIFT building (health services and leisure provision on St Peters car park site) could make a feature of the river that currently runs underneath the car park; possible opportunities through Elevate

**Targets-** To use the town centre MasterPlanning exercise to develop means of opening up and promoting the rivers  
To encourage inclusion and development in Elevate intervention areas

**Measures** – to be agreed as MasterPlan and Elevate processes developed

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**Community Plan Targets**

The following targets are already included in the Community Plan and have been recently reviewed  
E&T group needs to consider targets and improvement actions and to amend and supplement as agreed.

<b>Lead Person (s)</b> David Brown ( subs Nina Smith, Louise Kirkup)					<b>Review Date:</b> Feb 2004		
<b>Other Partners/People Involved</b>					<b>LSP Group(s)</b> Env & Transport		
<b>Strategic objective: : Priority Three - clean and green</b>							
- Below, how this strategic objective is broken down into individual targets							
<b>Target</b>	Base-line	Target for the year	Actual	Next Milestone and date	NRF? Y/N	<b>What is the LSP activity to meet target?</b>	
<b>ENVIRONMENT:</b> Increase the % of waste recycled composted or reused to 18% by March 2005. (Gov target)	03/01 4.6%		Prov. 17%	03/05 18%	Y	Burnley Borough Council has reorganised its household recycling collections. 98% of properties are now covered. Consultants working on a plan to further improve performance in line with LCC cost sharing proposals.	
By 2008, 60% of new housing developments to be built on previously developed land or through conversions of existing buildings.	84%	60%	84%	90% (2004-5)	Y	Elevate (Market Renewal Pathfinder). Local Plan and integrated regenerative reversal activity.	
<b>Increase, between 2003 and 2007, the percentage of residents satisfied re:-</b>							
1. Level of litter in local neighbourhood to 75%	33%		33%	07/05 50% 07/07 75%	Y	Operation Red Card ("100 Days to a Cleaner Neighbourhood") initiative (Pilot – 1 of 10 in England) starts in Spring 2004 (Burnley Borough Council). Street Scene Manager (Burnley Borough Council) post advertised in April 2004, for Summer 2004 start.  Re-org our council structure to streamline its response & responsiveness to street level nuisances	

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2. Dog fouling in local neighbourhood to 75%	29%		29%	07/05 50% 07/07 75%	Y		
3. Noise levels in local neighbourhood to 75%	51%		51%	07/05 60% 07/07 75%	Y		
To maintain 100% compliance with the Environment Agency's Objectives for river quality.	100%	100%		100% Ongoing	N	LSP Environment & Transport sub-group set up April 2004. Environment Agency a member.	
Increase home energy efficiency in dwellings (across all tenures) by 10% between 2003 and 2007, in line with the Energy Conservation Act 1995.		+2.5%		+2.5% per annum - 2011		Burnley Borough Council is implementing a programme of energy efficient grants, co0ordinated by its Energy Conservation Officer.	
Implement the targets for wildlife and wild spaces contained in the Lancashire Bio Diversity Plan, as relevant to the Borough.						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Local Plan policies to protect the Natural Environment, to Protect and Enhance Habitats and Enhance Biodiversity.</li> <li>➤ Gawthorpe Environment Movements work in Padiham.</li> <li>➤ Practical projects including wildflowers, clean ups, and footpaths.</li> <li>➤ Create local shop as environmental information centre.</li> <li>➤ Forest of Burnley tree planting, involving volunteers in countryside management.</li> </ul>	
To increase the number of bus passenger journeys by 7% between 2003 and 2007.	*	*	*	3/05 +3.5% 3/07 +7%	N	New Bus Station Successful bus challenge bid will provide additional services.	

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### Evidence – details relating to targets above

#### **Increase home energy efficiency in dwellings** Burnley Borough Council – Energy Conservation Officer (Housing Strategy Department).

The target has been selected to enable the Council to reach its Housing Stock Energy Efficiency Target of 30% improvement between 1996 and 2011. The 1996 – 2003 actual was 11.28%. The 2002-2003 figure was 2.5% and the actual for 2003-2004 is expected to be about 2.5%, but will not be available until July 2004.

#### **Increase % of waste recycled composted** Burnley Borough Council's Environmental Health & Cleansing Department Data.

**River Quality** The latest set of river quality objectives (2002) indicates that the 100% compliance rate has been maintained in the borough of Burnley for the second year in a row. This is an improvement from the year 2000 when only 88% of the river quality objectives reached the compliance level. The next set of results for 2003 will be released in September time.

**Increase % of new housing developments on previously developed land / through conversions of existing buildings.** - Burnley Borough Council's Planning Department stats. Target is a National target.

**Increase % of residents satisfied in reduction - litter, dog fouling & noise levels** -Citizens' Panel Data. Baseline Survey July 2003.

#### **To increase the number of bus passenger journeys**

Data will come from Lancashire County Council: County data unlikely to be available until July 2004, and we have now been told that data for Burnley is not available 15% increase in bus travellers over first 6 months of Bus stations new Life LCC passenger statistics.

## Achieving Strategic Objective

### Barriers

1. Recycling etc – future growth dependent on investment and also on the public's willingness to recycle more.
2. New housing development on brownfield sites – dependent on approval of structure plan (by LCC) and the Local Plan.
3. Satisfaction levels i) if Operation Red Card and Street Scene failing to deliver. ii) Failure to change behaviour of environ-offenders.
4. River quality – pollution risk.
5. Bus journeys – i) attitude to bus travel –v- attitude to car travel. ii) operator behaviour (ability, quality of buses). iii) Fare levels. iv) Perceptions of safety (after care). v) lack of data
6. Home energy efficiency – any adverse changes in grant regime. Grants not taken up

### Possible Solutions

1. Recycling – extra resources will follow from Lancashire Waste Partnership's cost sharing proposal: guaranteed income will assist sustainability.
2. n/a due to large number of brownfield sites
3. Satisfaction levels i) intense performance management of operation red card and street scene, and early remedial action. ii) Pro-active enforcement – getting tougher.
4. River quality – highest in pollution control and less use of potential pollutants.
5. Bus services – i) and ii) requires high quality services. iii) Government policy. iv) investment in safe waiting areas of CCTV in buses and shelters. v) proxy data – being investigated

### Action for Improvement

1. Recycling – implementation of LWP cost sharing proposals in 2004-5.
2. Brownfield sites – structure plan adopted in 2004, local plan adopted in early 2005.
3. i) Management intervention  
ii Meetings with magistrates re severity and appropriateness of sentencing
4. River quality – EA to work with potential polluters to reduce risk.
5. New BAP Environment & Transport Group to discuss.

