

Ongoing Consultations:

1. **Government Consultation:** Parish poll consultation closes 30th January 2015 The Government has opened an eight week consultation on the modernisation of the parish poll process. A copy of the proposed changes and questions asked in the consultation can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/parish-polls>.

The Recommendation of the Admin Review Working Group is that this is a sensible Change to existing legislation and that Cllr. Oliver responds favourably to the consultation on behalf of the council.

2. **LCC: Onshore Oil and Gas Supplementary Planning Document**

The three authorities are producing supplementary planning guidance for onshore oil and gas developments, to provide guidance on the implementation of adopted development plan policy as it would apply to onshore oil and gas exploration, production and distribution.

A scoping consultation was carried out between 27 June and 25 July.

Comments received during this consultation have informed the preparation of a draft supplementary planning document.

The draft Supplementary Planning Document is published for comments, together with a Scoping Consultation Outcomes Report, and a Screening Statement for Strategic Environmental Assessment.

The consultation can be viewed at:

<http://www3.lancashire.gov.uk/corporate/consultation/responses/response.asp?ID=259>

This consultation will run from the 5 January 2015 to the 2 March 2015. This consultation period will run for 8 weeks. Paper copies of both these consultations can be viewed at libraries and main council offices during their normal opening hours. Comments on any of these consultation can be made: through the Lancashire County Council 'Get Involved' webpage -

<http://new.lancashire.gov.uk/council/get-involved/consultations.aspx>

Or in writing to: Lancashire County Council, County Hall, PO Box 100, Preston, PR1 0LD Or by email to: lmwf@lancashire.gov.uk

Please note that comments received will be made public and cannot be treated as confidential. Your contact details will not be made public or shared.

3. **LCC Budget Consultation:** Following a meeting of the County Council's Cabinet on 8 January, please find attached a letter from County Councillor Jennifer Mein, Leader of the County Council, inviting you to respond to the formal consultation on the County Council's Budget proposals for 2015/16 - 2017/18, details of which were published following that meeting.

The link in the letter can be accessed at:

<http://council.lancashire.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=26578#mgDocuments> where

you can view the report considered by the Cabinet and responses to the informal consultation which ended on 19 December 2014, together with the service offers which have now been published for formal consultation. As set

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out in the letter, please submit any responses by **4 February** to fprenquiries@lancashire.gov.uk.

Please ensure that you submit your response to this e-mail address to ensure your views are included for consideration by Cabinet at its next meeting on 5th February, where recommendations will then be made on final proposals for consideration by the County Council's Full Council on 12 February.

- 4. Pendle Borough Council Core Strategy Submission:** This email is sent to you because you represent a statutory consultee or prescribed body; you have previously submitted a representation in response to a public consultation on an earlier draft of the Core Strategy DPD; or you have expressed an interest in its preparation.

Pendle Borough Council has prepared the Core Strategy DPD as part of a new Local Plan for the Borough of Pendle. When it is adopted the document will become part of the statutory Development Plan.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the above regulations that Pendle Borough Council submitted its Core Strategy DPD to the Secretary of State for independent Examination on Friday 19th December 2014.

The Secretary of State has appointed Inspector **Mr. Mark Dakeyne BA (Hons) MRTPI** to carry out the Examination of the Core Strategy DPD.

A Programme Officer has been appointed to deal with all administrative, procedural and programming matters associated with the Examination. The Programme Officer is impartial; he is not a Council Officer, has not been involved in the preparation of the Core Strategy and works solely to the direction of the Inspector. Any correspondence for the Inspector should be sent via the Programme Officer using the contact details below:

Mr. Derek Thomas, Programme Officer, Pendle Core Strategy Examination, c/o Town Hall, Market Street, Nelson, Lancashire, BB9 7LG

Tel: 01282 661658 **E-mail:** programme.officer@pendle.gov.uk

If you made a representation to the Core Strategy (Pre-Submission Report) you will be contacted by the Programme Officer regarding the Examination in due course.