

In this edition we have details about the Central Lancashire Local Plan Consultation, Chorley's new Destination Management Plan and much more!

Did you know that it is National Social Prescribing Day on Wednesday 19 March?



Local Plan Consultation Underway!

Councillors met on 28 January to consider the Publication Version of the Central Lancashire Local Plan and to agree the next stage of the adoption process, the commencement of a statutory consultation.

The Local Plan is a strategic plan for the area of Chorley, South Ribble and Preston and sets out the three councils' approach to managing and delivering development (residential, employment and other infrastructure) for the three districts between 2023 and 2041.

It is an important strategy which supports delivery of corporate ambitions and objectives, such as provision of affordable housing, tackling health and social inequalities and tackling the climate emergency. It sets out a mandate for the three councils in shaping future growth in the three districts and ensuring this is determined locally.

The consultation is underway and will be open until **11.59pm on Monday 14th April 2025.**

As part of the consultation, a series of drop in events have been arranged across the borough where members of the public can view the Local Plan and supporting documents and ask Officers any questions. Members of the public can attend any session, irrespective of the area they live or work in.

The events are listed below :

- Wednesday 5th March 4.00pm-7.00pm Tatton Community Centre, Windermere Road, Chorley, PR6 0FJ
- Thursday 6th March 4.00pm-7.00pm Abbey Village Primary School, Bolton Road, Abbey Village, PR6 8DD
- Monday 10th March 4.00pm-7.00pm Clayton Brook Community Centre, Clayton-le-Woods, PR5 8HL
- Wednesday 12th March 4.00pm-7.00pm Adlington & District Community Centre, Railway Road, Adlington, PR6 9RF
- Tuesday 1st April 4.00pm-7.00pm Coppull Library, Spendmore Lane, Coppull, PR7 5DF
- Thursday 3rd April 4.00pm-7.00pm Chorley Town Hall, Market Street, Chorley, PR7 1DP

More information on the Central Lancashire Local Plan, and how to respond to the consultation can be found on here.



Chorley's New Destination Management Plan

Defining Chorley's future as top visitor destination, an ambitious destination management plan has been launched and presented to local businesses following approval at a recent Chorley Council meeting.

Chorley aims to position itself as a leading destination by 2030 for short breaks and day visits in Lancashire, celebrated for its tourism initiatives, vibrant events calendar, and high-quality visitor experiences.

Supported by funding from the UK Government, Chorley's destination management plan has been developed in collaboration with key visitor economy sector stakeholders and provides an ambitious framework to drive forward Chorley's vision of: Enabling strong communities, a resilient economy, excellent services, a greener future and successful people.

Increasing visitor footfall and time spent in the borough are just some of the objectives of the plan with key aspirations that include:

- Establishing the borough of Chorley as the go-to destination for outdoor enthusiasts, leveraging its proximity to the West Pennine Moors and the Lancashire countryside.
- Refining and effectively promoting the year-round programme of cultural and family-focused events, attracting repeat visitors from outside the borough, a more diverse demographic, and boosting both the daytime and evening economy.
- Becoming a hub for authentic experiences, from artisan food and drink to hands-on workshops and guided tours that showcase Chorley's heritage and community spirit.

Working with businesses to better promote Chorley's offer is an integral part of the plan, and as such, tourism related businesses and attractions are encouraged to become part of a new Tourism Network. <u>Further information on</u> <u>this and the new destination management plan can be found at</u> <u>checkoutchorley.com/tourismnetwork</u>



More short stay parking in Chorley town centre

The car parks located behind Chorley Town Hall are proposed to change from long stay to short stay on 1 April 2025 to allow for more people to make shorter and more regular trips to the town centre and support our town centre traders.

Short stay car parks operate from Monday to Friday from 8am to 5pm and on Saturdays from 8am to 1pm.

Long stay car park permits will no longer be valid on Farrington Street or Back Mount Street from 1 April 2025 and all permit holders have been contacted directly about the change.

You can find a full list of our car parks here.



Chorley Liaison

The next meeting of Chorley Liaison takes places on Wednesday 19 March 2025, in which representatives from Lancashire Police are expected to attend to discuss anti-social behaviour and other issues affecting communities across the borough.

Details about the meeting can be found here, the agenda will be published in the week before the meeting.



Chorley Biodiversity Website

Recently, our Biodiversity team at Chorley launched a brand new page on the council website that provides an insight into the work carried out by the service.

The page includes guidance on Biodiversity Net Gain, information on the Lancashire Local Nature Recovery Strategy and a general overview of nature and biodiversity in the borough.

Here you can find information on tree planting, bird boxes, wildflower meadows and a wide range of resources available to residents.

The page also includes the recently published Biodiversity Duty First Considerations report, this document outlines Chorley Council's roles and responsibilities under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities act. You can access this by clicking this link.



News from our Partners

Lancashire Roadworks Bulletin

The Rural Bulletin - 25 February 2025

Staying safe during severe weather events - You can check for flood warnings in England via <u>check for flooding service.gov.uk</u>

You can check for more police neighbourhood alerts such as theft, burglary and road safety at <u>Stay in the Know</u>



Keep Informed

The latest notice of Executive Decisions.

To view or comment on a Planning Application

To view a licensing application.

To find out what events are taking place around the borough.

Previously awarded Councillor Community Grants.

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