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Central Lancashire Core Strategy Monitoring Report 2013/14	Planning and Housing	Rachel Peckham	7

## SUMMARY AND LINK TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES

The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 requires every local planning authority to produce a Monitoring Report annually. The Monitoring Report shows how planning policies are being implemented across the area. Each of the Central Lancashire Authorities produces its own monitoring report, showing progress on its own local policies, a joint report is produced to monitor the Core Strategy.

The Monitoring Report for each area (including the Core Strategy Monitoring Report) must be published by each Local Authority on their website.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee note the Core Strategy Monitoring Report (attached to this report).

## DETAILS AND REASONING

Monitoring is a key feature of the development plan system introduced by the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. The Regulations require that Local Authorities produce a monitoring report for their policy documents. The 3 authorities each produce a separate monitoring report to monitor their own local plans, with a joint report being produced to monitor the Core Strategy. The Core Strategy Monitoring Report must be published alongside the individual monitoring reports, on each of the 3 authorities' websites.

The Core Strategy Monitoring report is a key source for the monitoring of objectives, targets and indicators for the Core Strategy.

The indicators that are monitored in the Core Strategy Monitoring Report are set in the Performance Monitoring Framework of the Core Strategy. As the plan period progresses, trend data will be able to be demonstrated, and policies that may need amending will be identified.

Some key findings of the monitoring report are:

- The percentage of dwellings constructed in in Preston and South Ribble Urban area is below the target set it the Core Strategy; however it is expected this figure will increase as more sites in the authorities' Local Plans come forward;
- For most of the locations monitored, traffic in the Borough has increased steadily;

- Housing delivery exceeded the target set in the Core Strategy in Chorley. The number of houses delivered in both South Ribble and Preston is below the target, however has risen significantly from last year.
- The number of affordable homes delivered across the area is above the target set in the Core Strategy;
- There have been no changes in areas of Biodiversity throughout Central Lancashire; and
- Levels of qualifications are higher than the regional average in both South Ribble and Chorley. The level of people across Central Lancashire qualified to NVQ Level 4 or higher across the area has increased by 15% since the last monitoring report.

The Core Strategy was adopted in July 2012 so this report is only the second to be produced. As the 3 authorities respective Local Plans are not yet fully adopted, targets set within the Core Strategy policies have not always been met. However, as sites start to come forward through the Local Plans, it is expected that they will be met. This will be kept under review through subsequent monitoring reports.

## WIDER IMPLICATIONS

In the preparation of this report, consideration has been given to the impact of its proposals in all the areas listed below, and the table shows any implications in respect of each of these. The risk assessment which has been carried out forms part of the background papers to the report.

<b>FINANCIAL</b>	None arising directly from this report		
<b>LEGAL</b>	Failure to produce a Monitoring Report would be contrary to the requirements of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.		
<b>RISK</b>	The full risk assessment forms part of the background papers to this report. The main points for consideration are summarised here:-		
<b>OTHER (see below)</b>			
<i>Asset Management</i>	<i>Corporate Plans and Policies</i>	<i>Crime and Disorder</i>	<i>Efficiency Savings/Value for Money</i>
<i>Equality, Diversity and Community Cohesion</i>	<i>Freedom of Information/ Data Protection</i>	<i>Health and Safety</i>	<i>Health Inequalities</i>
<i>Human Rights Act 1998</i>	<i>Implementing Electronic Government</i>	<i>Staffing, Training and Development</i>	<i>Sustainability</i>

## BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Risk Assessment