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# FLEETWOOD

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## Time to start "talking rubbish"...

### Wyre Borough Council are proposing to make some changes to the way in which they collect your rubbish.

Around 5,000 properties in Fleetwood are still on a weekly black sack waste collection which causes many problems across the town. In particular, black sacks are an eyesore and they make the streets look untidy, especially when they are ripped open by seagulls, cats and dogs.

Having black sacks lying around the streets also brings health issues as decaying rubbish often attracts rats and other vermin.

As an alternative, Wyre Borough Council is looking into introducing 'wheelie bins' in Fleetwood – which is how the majority of waste is currently collected in the rest of the Borough.

This would solve many of the problems currently being encountered and would dramatically improve street cleanliness throughout the town.

But as you are the residents of Fleetwood, they want to know what you think. In particular they are interested in knowing what issues, if any, you may have if 'wheelie bins' were introduced to the area.

The main problems identified to date are in terraced properties and in houses with multiple occupation as it is difficult to accommodate a large number of bins in a small front or back yard. The council is aware of this situation and would like to discuss the options with local residents in order to find an appropriate solution.

If the new 'wheelie bin' service is introduced in Fleetwood then refuse collection would take place fortnightly as opposed to weekly which is the way that rubbish is currently collected throughout the rest of the Borough.

Members of Wyre Borough's Refuse and Recycling team will be hosting 2 public consultation meetings in the town where they will explain the advantages of collecting your rubbish in this way. There will also be an opportunity to ask any questions, raise any concerns you may have and also leave feedback.

The 'Talking Rubbish' consultations will take place at :  
**Milton Street Community Centre on Tuesday 19th October at 11am and 7pm.**

**If you are unable to attend the meetings but would still like to raise any concerns you may have or make any comment you can do so by logging onto <http://consult.wyrebc.gov.uk> and click 'talking rubbish'.**

**Or alternatively you can contact Wyre Borough Council on 01253 891000.**

Wyre Borough Council values the opinion of each and every one of its residents and hopes that by working together they can make Fleetwood a better place to live.



### CRIME UPDATE

#### PHAROS WARD

**Overall crime is down by 19%**

**Domestic Burglary - no change**

**All criminal damage (including arson) is down by 31%**

**All vehicle crime is down by 2%**

#### MOUNT WARD

**Domestic Burglary is down by 5%**

**All criminal damage (including arson) is down by 20%**

**All vehicle crime is down by 15%**

All figures Sept '09 - Aug '10 compared against Sept 08 - Aug 09 - source MADE (multi agency data exchange)



# News from your neighbourhood policing team

**Your Neighbourhood Policing Team continue to work with local residents to address the issues that matter to you.**

**So what have we been doing over the summer months?**

## In Pharos Ward

**YOU SAID**  
you were concerned about

- Anti social behaviour on Hesketh Place and Rhyl Street. This was occurring most evenings with noise nuisance from both vehicles and youths.
- Anti social behaviour and street drinking in and around the shelters on the Esplanade/Laidley's Walk - particularly on weekend evenings
- Anti social behaviour on Windsor Terrace in relation to nuisance properties on the street. - in particular in and around no.10.
- Anti Social Behaviour on Lord Street - in particular cycles being ridden on the footpaths especially in busy periods.
- Drug Dealing around the Styan Street area

## WE DID

- We introduced regular patrols in the Marine Hall/beach areas to combat anti social behaviour involving underage drinking.
- We delivered letters to residents in the Windsor Terrace/Balmoral Terrace areas asking for assistance in identifying anti social behaviour offenders. With the help of other agencies, action is being taken to close down offending properties and relocate persistent offenders.
- We introduced Operation Pathway - a Road Traffic Operation looking at driver fatigue, use of seat belts/mobile phones and general speed awareness in the area.
- We undertook crime prevention activities at the market targeting purse thieves.
- Concerns regarding excess speed or inappropriate speed around the Blakiston and Harris Street areas have resulted in PCSO's meeting with Road Safety planners to attempt to implement a 20mph zone and install a Speed Indication Device (SPID). Funding for this was rejected by Fleetwood Town Council.

• A needle exchange scheme was launched on Bold Street

• The team conducted a large scale RJ project aimed at educating parents as to the dangers of parking on zig zags outside Chaucer School, in which parents that had offended were offered a fixed penalty notice or alternatively had to attend a performance put on by the children there.

• Styan Street area was subject to increased patrolling. There was no tangible evidence of drug dealing.

## In Mount Ward

**YOU SAID:**

- You wanted us to Tackle Anti Social Behaviour at Hatfield Stores
- Anti-Social Behaviour was an issue around Greenfield Road and Armistead Way.

## WE DID

- We increased our patrols in and around the Hatfield stores area and dispersed groups of youths hanging around.

We are still trying to tackle the issue and are continuing to work with the local shops and residents as well as

encouraging local youths into alternative activities.

1 drug warrant was issued at 144 Hatfield Rd, with a negative result.

1 drug warrant at 117 Promenade Rd, in which an of drugs were recovered.

- We increased our patrols around both areas as well as on neighbouring streets such as Forshaw Close and Noblett Court. Any youths seen on the grassed area causing Anti Social Behaviour were moved away. A dog from that area was also seized and destroyed.

Anti-Social Behaviour calls have decreased overall and the behaviour of one particular family is being closely monitored as they have been identified as the main instigators.

As always we need your help as much as you may from time to time need ours. It is your community, your road or street and you know who is doing what in those places so please talk to your neighbourhood policing team.

**Together we can make a difference!**



## Your North Fleetwood Community Liaison Group

The North Fleetwood Community Liaison Group are a group of trained community leaders from both Mount and Pharos ward. They work tirelessly on behalf of the community ensuring that the concerns of local residents are passed onto the Police, Wyre Borough Council, Lancashire County Council and any other appropriate organisations.

In the last quarter the Community Group have raised the following issues:

- Dog fouling and the need for more bins.
- Some street litter bins not being emptied frequently enough

- Parking problems and health and safety issues associated with the increased number of supporters visiting Fleetwood Town Football Club.

- Health & Safety issues associated with cars going from Highbury Ave into Memorial Park. The

community Liaison Group have requested a bollard to keep residents safe.

**ALL OF THE ABOVE ISSUES ARE CURRENTLY BEING ADDRESSED AND THE COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP WILL REPORT BACK ON THE OUTCOMES IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER.**

If you have a particular issue that you would like the liaison group to raise on your behalf please do not hesitate to contact them,

**Your local Representatives are:**

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**Michelle Hargreaves**  
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**Ron Miller**  
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**Terry Rogers**  
T: 01253 770369

**Dave Shaw**  
T: 079731 54505

**John Warnock**  
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**Ian Johnstone**  
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## The Sea Change Project along Wyre's waterfront continues to go from strength to strength.

Concept designs for the £1.6 million project to redevelop The Marine Gardens and create a world class observatory at Rossall Point were presented at a public meeting held at the Marine Hall on 16th September.

Final designs will be submitted at the beginning of October for planning permission and soon after this date these designs will be available to view at various venues throughout Fleetwood.

Keep up to date with project developments by visiting [www.wyreseachange.co.uk](http://www.wyreseachange.co.uk) or join the 'Sea Change' facebook page.

## Be your own boss!



Have you ever dreamt of starting your own business? GET STARTED can help you turn that dream into a reality.

Get Started can provide you with all the support you need, whether it be through training, mentoring, access to finance, guidance and planning and networking opportunities across Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre.

The programme supports everyone regardless of age, ability, ethnicity or whether claiming benefit or in full time employment. All you need is the spark of an idea you want to turn into a reality.

Get Started has gone from strength to strength since its introduction helping some 36 new ventures across the Fylde Coast GET STARTED.

**For further information please contact Karen Winkley, Programme Manager on 07773 260622.**



## Fleetwood Time Bank

Fleetwood Time Bank is a new, innovative form of volunteering where anybody over the age of 16 can volunteer by sharing their skills within their local community and actually receive something back.

The concept is simple and has been proven to work in other areas. Members of the bank can give help and support to other members and deposit their time - one hour equals one time credit. They are able to spend their time credits when they need something doing themselves. For example, you may be able to walk a members dog one hour a week

and another member may offer to do some gardening one hour a week for you.

**No money is involved - all that is banked is time.**

**If you live in Fleetwood and would like further information, please telephone 01253 774123 or email: [fleetwoodtimebank@ageconcernlancs.org.uk](mailto:fleetwoodtimebank@ageconcernlancs.org.uk)**

## Help Direct - HELPING YOU IN YOUR COMMUNITY



Help Direct is your first port of call to access information, guidance and practical support. We can support you on any issue, including health and fitness, home and garden, feeling safe in the home and community, learning and leisure, managing finances, mobility and transport, community groups and involvement, relationships and families and employment, volunteering and training.

We do this by supporting you to access a range of local groups, organisations and services, from giving you their contact details, to contacting them on your behalf or initially going along with you.

### For example:

Mary is worried about money. Because of this Mary cannot afford to go out with friends and is unable to pay for small repairs and alterations needed within her home. Mary is also worried about heating costs over winter and that she will not be able to

get out and about if it snows or is icy this year. Generally Mary is feeling anxious and isolated.

### What could Help Direct do?

Help Direct could attend a benefits check with Mary to make sure she is receiving any benefits she is entitled to and support her to consider other options such as employment. We could also put Mary in touch with Care and Repair who could support her with the work needed on her house and schemes that may be able to support her to make her

house warmer and more energy efficient. Help Direct could also support Mary to find out about and initially attend free/low cost leisure and community groups locally and to register with schemes that could help her over winter should she not be able to get out and about, such as assisted shopping.

Over the next few months Help Direct will be in North Fleetwood, visiting people at home, offering to tell you more about the support we offer and asking if

there is anything we can support you with.

**To contact Help Direct call 0303 333 1111 (low cost number) or email [admin@fwhelpdirect.org.uk](mailto:admin@fwhelpdirect.org.uk)**  
**We are open Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm and Saturdays 9am - 1pm. You could also drop in to see us at YMCA Lofthouse building, London Street, Fleetwood, Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm.**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

5th October  
**Police & Communities Together (PACT)**  
1pm – Milton Street Community Centre

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**Fleetwood Area Forum**  
7pm – Milton Street Community Centre

12th October  
**Police & Communities Together (PACT)**  
1pm at Hatfield Ave tea rooms

26th October  
**Fleetwood Town Council**  
7pm at Fleetwood Library

## Wyre Volunteer Bureau

**Have you considered volunteering but not sure what you would like to do? Perhaps you currently volunteer but would like to know about other opportunities.**

This service is here to assist you in finding the right volunteering opportunity for you. If you are a member of a group or organisation looking to attract volunteers, then the bureau can advertise and recruit volunteers on your behalf.

Support is offered to all concerned and we are very keen to hear from any individual or group who are new to volunteering and would like further information.

Volunteering is for all ages, can be a great way to make friends, enhance skills, increase confidence and give something back to the community in which you live. So why not give it a try!

**You can contact the bureau in various ways:**  
**Tel: 01253 774125**  
**Email: [wyrevolunteerbureau@ageconcernlancs.org.uk](mailto:wyrevolunteerbureau@ageconcernlancs.org.uk)**  
**Write or call in to Age Concern Lancashire offices, 45-47 Lord Street, Fleetwood. FY7 6DU**



**Look to the future with the latest in local jobs and training opportunities!**  
**Marine Hall, Fleetwood, FY7 6HF**  
**Wednesday**  
**13th October 11-3pm**  
**Free admission**

### Meet local employers

There'll be displays and people to talk to about employment opportunities – such as retail, contact centres, hospitality, healthcare and many more. Most employers will have job vacancies on the day that you can find out more about and take an application form.

### Find out about training courses

There are loads of courses available for people who are out of work and want to develop new skills to widen their employment opportunities – as well as for people in work who want to try something new. A variety of local training providers will be on hand to let you know what's on offer and how to get help deciding what's right for you.

### Talk to the experts - three taster workshops

Throughout the day, our recruitment and business experts will be on hand for practical help and advice. You'll also get the chance to attend two taster workshops.

### All day drop in workshops are as follows:

#### Turbo-charge your CV and job search

How to make the most of your CV and hints and tips to creating one. Bring your current CV along top be looked at. Also how to get the most out of your job search to find your ideal job

#### Survive an interview

Perform better in interviews, get the edge over other candidates and significantly improve your chances of getting the job you want in today's tough job market. Advice on how to prepare for an interview and answer tough questions as well as dealing with nerves.

#### Put yourself in the driving seat

A must for anyone thinking about starting a business or working for themselves with pointers on things like marketing, finance, tax and employment issues.



## Everyone needs



**'A hug from Mum' is a FREE cookery club for local families. It is a place where kids, mums, Dad's grandparents, aunts, uncles and even social workers can get together to learn about healthy eating and making the right food choices in a fun and friendly environment.**



The Hug From a Mum cookery club also inspires and motivates adults and kids into the 'world of work' particularly into the catering industry.

The club encourages families to work together within the kitchen environment, weighing out ingredients, following recipes and even washing up, thus helping to form positive bonds and attachments.

The club which is run by local lady Angie Mosher runs for six weeks, meeting once a week for 2 hours (from 4.30pm – 6.30pm).

**The next club starts on 4th November at Fleetwood Sports College – please ring Angie if you want to take part on 07786993859 as places are limited.**

**For more information visit [www.ahugfrommum.co.uk](http://www.ahugfrommum.co.uk)**

**AND** look out for Angie on your TV screens in Jan when she will be appearing on the BBC 2 Hairy Biker's - 'Mum Knows Best' Programme

