

Full Council – Item 13

Dear Parish Councils,

I am writing to invite your valued input into Lancashire County Council's budget consultation. As a stakeholder in our county's continued success, your insights are vital to ensuring our budget reflects the needs and aspirations of people across the county.

We find ourselves in a period of significant financial challenge. Like many councils, we are contending with funding and inflationary pressures and increased demand for services - and we need to make every penny count.

Alongside these pressures, we are committed to improving essential services, supporting our most vulnerable residents, and investing in our shared future. To do this we need to become a more effective organisation, deliver value for money and ensure a sustainable budget.

We are focused on delivering what is best for our residents and what will most improve their lives. We have a bold Improvement Plan that will deliver better outcomes, reduce delays, and improve experiences for our residents. We are modernising services and preparing Lancashire for the future, and we are committed to making this council the best in the country.

To achieve that goal, we want to hear from you about our proposals.

Our budget consultation is designed to be open, transparent and genuinely collaborative. By taking part, you can play a crucial role in building a sustainable future for our county.

As a key community representative, we encourage you to complete the survey and request you circulate the survey link with your colleagues and networks to ensure as many people across Lancashire get their say as possible.

You can access the survey [here](#). The survey opens on December 3 for six weeks and closes on January at 11:59 on 13 January 2026.

Everyone will also have the opportunity to give their views on any specific significant proposed service changes as we continue to transform the way we work in the months ahead.

Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to Lancashire. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the consultation in more detail, please email us at budgetconsultation@lancashire.gov.uk find

Find out more here: [Planning the council's budget - Lancashire County Council](#).

With best wishes,

Mark Wynn