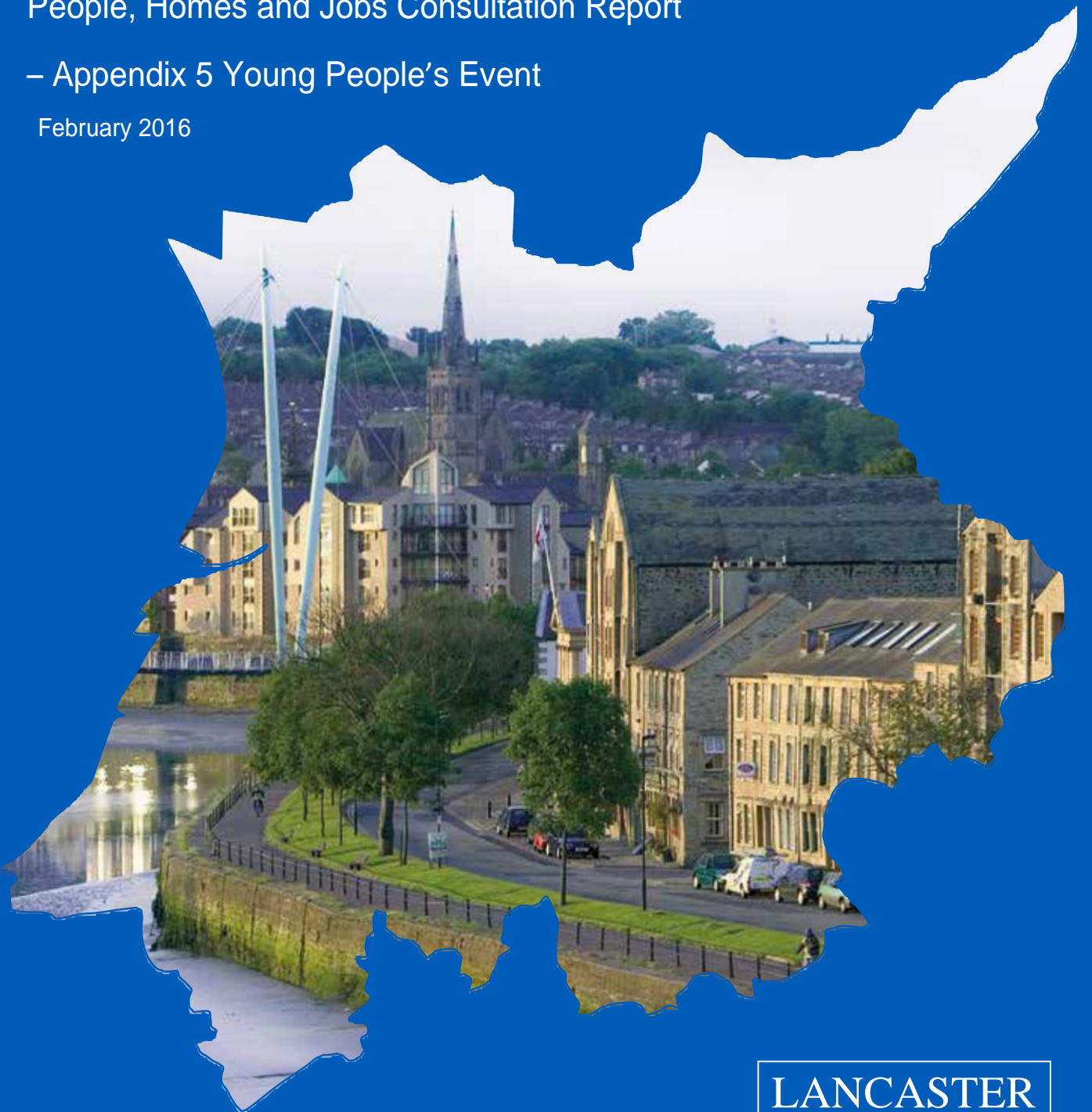


# A Local Plan for Lancaster District 2011-2031

People, Homes and Jobs Consultation Report

– Appendix 5 Young People’s Event

February 2016



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## Local Plan Young People's Event 25 November 2015

A half day event was held to help engage with young people as part of the Local Plan process and gain their views on future housing, employment and economy.

Invitations were sent to a wide range of 6<sup>th</sup> forms, colleges and Universities from across the district.

27 young people attended the event representing Central Lancaster High, Ripley St Thomas, Lancaster Girls

Grammar, Lancaster Royal Grammar Morecambe High, Hornby Park, Queen Elizabeth Schools, Our Ladies Catholic and Lancaster and Morecambe Colleges, Lancaster University and Youth Council/Young Advisors.

Councillor Tracy Brown (Lancaster City Council's Young People Champion) and Councillor Chris Henig (Lancashire County Council and Deputy Chair of Fylde, Lancaster and Wyre Children's Partnership Board) also attended.

The event provided an introduction to the Local Plan, asked for the young people's views on their future plans in terms of employment and housing and the proposed sites. The event involved presentations, using electronic voting buttons, group discussions, enlarged maps and stickers to provide views.

### Welcome

The young people were welcomed to the event, provided with an outline of the day and were asked to do a short exercise to help them and the group facilitators to get to know each other.

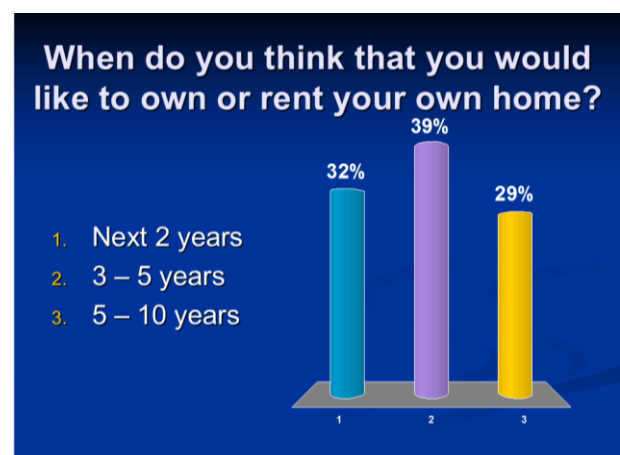
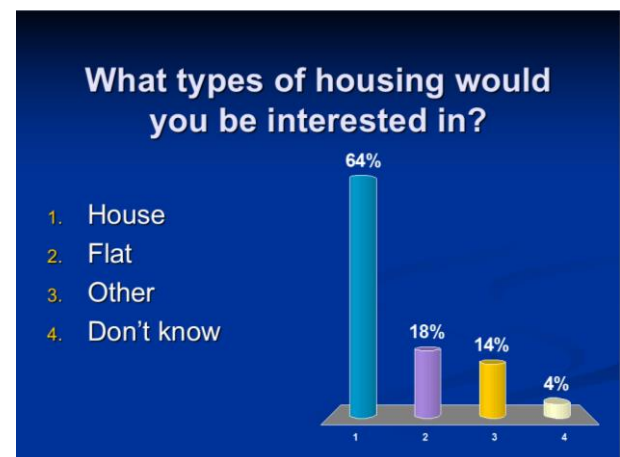
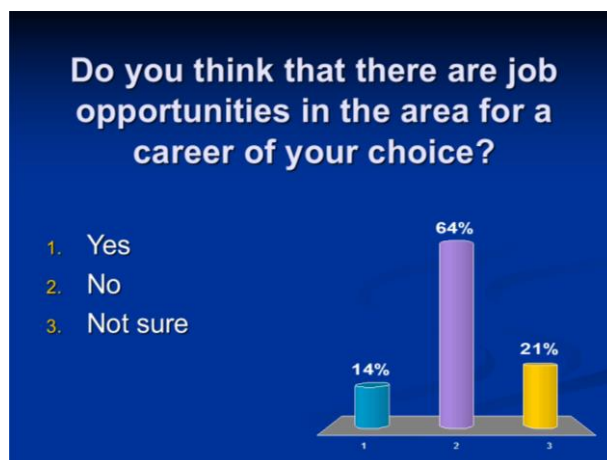
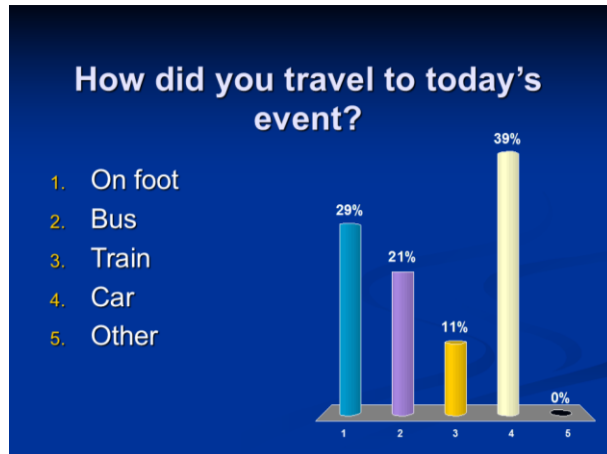
### Background

A background presentation was provided on how and why we need to plan for future housing and employment, evidence on future housing and employment needs/opportunities and the consequences of not planning ahead.



## Future

The young people were asked to individually respond to the below questions using electronic voting buttons.



The young people were encouraged to share their views about their responses.

**1) When you have finished your education do you plan to: stay in the Lancaster District, move away or not sure?**

- Better opportunities to work with children in Australia.
- Would want to go to University in another area.
- Would like to work for NHS and small chance of getting a job locally.

**2) Do you think there are job opportunities in the area for a career of your choice?**

- Would like to go into primary school teaching and there are more jobs in the Yorkshire area. Need to move where the jobs are.
- More opportunities outside Lancaster and Lancashire in relation to children's centres.
- Would like to be a military doctor so need to go where training is provided and where service is needed.
- Only 1 in 3 people can get a job in their local area (young person quoted this).
- The young people were informed that there were lots of job opportunities in the local area including University, hospital and the Heysham Port.

**3) Do you think there are enough work experience opportunities with local companies?**

- The young people were asked if they could access this through school. The groups fed back that they tried to do this. One young person said that they had tried to get some experience with a local architectural company and had approached about 10 different companies with no luck as they had wanted more work experience.

**4) Do you think there are enough homes in the area so that you could live in a place of your choice?**

- The young people were asked, how do you know if there are enough homes or not?
- One young person said that they had recently moved to the area and they thought there were lots of homes available.
- Another young person said that they had tried to move out to rent with their friends but they found that there was little choice and it was too expensive.

**5) What types of housing would you be interested in?**

- The young people were asked why the majority had chosen a house.
- One young person said that they would like to share with people in the area or with people doing a similar job.
- A young person said that not everyone wants to live in a house, gypsy travellers prefer to live in caravans. It was explained that the council also has to plan for this through the Local Plan.
- The young people were asked if anyone would be interested in communal/shared accommodation for non-students ie working at lower than market rent if this was available? At least half of the young people said that they would be.

**6) Where do you think you would like to own or rent your own home?**

- No comments

**7) When do you think you would like to own or rent your own home?**

- No comments

The young people were then asked to discuss the below questions in groups.

- **What would attract you to staying or returning to the area e.g. job opportunities, shops, nightlife, culture, leisure?**

Group verbal feedback included:

- Like pace of city i.e. chilled out and relaxed.
- Feel safe, especially as town is full of students.
- Can walk everywhere in town.
- One way system is an issue i.e. traffic.
- Need to consider becoming tech savvy as this would provide a good selling point and might encourage people to stay rather than moving away to places like Manchester.
- Has good points but bad points outweigh them.
- Small city culture.
- Few job opportunities.
- Cuts are causing some cultural facilities to shut down.
- Nightlife culture – it is important for people to feel safe.
- Job opportunities – debated whether should invest in technology or physical jobs. Many jobs are being replaced by technology eg supermarket self-check outs.
- Lancaster University is in top 12.
- Social relationships.
- Born here and feel safe.
- If want to go shopping in a big city, it isn't too far but still have safety of living in a small town.
- Like small night life.
- The young people were asked what was missing and they suggested that there wasn't a lot on offer for their age group but didn't necessarily have the answers. It was suggested that the cinema and skate parks were for younger people.
- The young people suggested that their age group was a difficult age group as everyone is different but in terms of music there was only a place in Morecambe and YMCA once per week.
- Choose University based on better shops, nightlife etc. so this suggests that Lancaster needs more a better cultural offering to attract young people e.g. music venues, shops.



Flipchart feedback included:

- Better shops (clothes particularly)
- University social life
- Venue
- 18-25 year old needs - Art galleries
  - Big venues
  - Affordable culture
- 'Pace' of the City, bit more chilled
- Higher speed of internet
- Feeling of safety, can walk everywhere
- Sport management career
- Increase/awareness of sporting facilities
- Political lobbyist
- Awareness around cultural events – not targeted towards students
- Strength of local business / vibrant high street
- Social relationships/family and friends
- Know it well
- Nightlife
- Elderly care
- Hospice care
- Universities
- Great location
- Good area
- Historic background
- New bypass – easier for transport links
- Jobs
- Size
- More affordable leisure activities
- Better sports facilities/football pitches/swimming pools/sports courts
- Access to locations in and out of district is good i.e. trains and buses
- Entertainment (bands and comedians) could be improved – attract more/improved names
- Local festivals are a plus point
- The good points at Lancaster gets obscured by the bad
- Not much to attract the teenagers and 20 somethings
- Culture
  - Museums etc.
  - Galleries
  - More artistic opportunities
  - More access to opportunities



- **What sort of careers are you interested in?**

Group verbal feedback included:

- Politics/political lobbyist (not suited to a small area)
- Sports management
- Working with young people
- Planner
- Architectural
- Teaching
- Physics
- Arts
- NHS e.g. nursing, psychology, childcare
- Specialist university e.g. law
- Policing/criminal investigator
- Family business

Flip chart feedback included:

- Primary and secondary school teaching
- Football coach
- Childcare
- NHS - bank nurse/midwife
- Paediatric nursing
- Psychology
- Law
- Sociology
- Policing/criminal psychologist/criminal investigation
- Catering / general
- English teacher
- Working with young children – opportunities through the Princes Trust
- Military health – physical geography
- Planning
- Travel and tourism
- Need experience to access these jobs
- More elsewhere in the region to access job opportunities and further if need be
- Easy to be judges – selectiveness in job recruitment
- Acceptance of costs associated with education
- Technology
- Retail
- Physics
- Local population
- The arts/English
- Expand horizons
- Educational jobs
- Architecture/structural engineering
- Politics/human rights
- Heritage/architecture/art history

## Local Plan Consultation

The young people were provided with an overview of the people, homes and jobs – how should we plan for our districts future consultation and asked to move around and discuss each potential site map and provide any advantages or disadvantages for each site using a set of stickers.

<b>UE1 – Urban Extension</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Student accommodation	A6 congestion
Uni link closer to the town	Elongates town
Blank canvas	No infrastructure
Scenery	Chance of people buying, purely to let to students which may annoy others wishing to settle permanently
Housing development opportunity for student renting/university workers	Noise pollution
Local canal	Galgate may lose character
Road/infrastructure	Noise pollution (rail and road)
Right next to A6 near to M6	Next to “Uni Life”
Possibility to attract University employers – more likely to walk/cycle to work – no necessity for car	Noise pollution
Beneficial to the university	Aesthetics
Renting opportunities	Rail road – 24hr disturbances
Railway line / main road	Losing village status
Canal link	Closing the gap between Galgate and Scotforth
Workers for the university – carbon footprint for travel	Loss of agricultural land
Lancaster university	Fairly limited transport – cars required
Potential for many homes	A big environmental area to remove
Gives people in uni somewhere to live	Relies on the M6 junction which may be difficult
Access from A6	Loss of agricultural land
Big development	Reduces gap between Lancaster and Galgate and removes the green corridor on the entrance to Lancaster
Less annoyance	You would need to modify Junction 33 – traffic
A natural extension	Many farms
Close to university	Many woodlands
One big area – less complaints and more accessible	Loss of farm land
Close to town	Big area means large area of environment destroyed
Jobs – uni	Not just housing – road expansions/pollution
Great for students – affordable rent?	Would require new roads
Access from A6	Adds to Galgate pollution
Good to have one big area for people working in uni	More roads having to be built
UE1 Potential for many homes	Huge loss of environment
Links with university	Not meeting with all needs of housing
Larger scale	Merging with Galgate
New bypass for Galgate	Big green space destroyed
Lancaster University	Less agriculture
Transport Links	Already busy area – require amenities
Potential for businesses and schools	School needed
Access to motorway	Public spaces
Student housing 3000 increase!!!	Infrastructure needed



<b>UE1 – Urban Extension</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
More jobs for more retail businesses like Asda/Tesco	Huge investment – new school, roads, shops etc
University very close – good for student housing	Traffic ☹
Bus links straight into town and Morecambe/Heysham	Loads of farms that would be disturbed
Good link roads	Create new roads
Extension – new facilities	Not close to town
Perfect student housing	Build new primary school
University	No shops
Perfect bus routes – so many buses dedicated to the uni	Bad traffic
Good for children	Modify junction (33)
There is still a lot of greenery around	Needs more investments
Would be close housing opportunities for uni students	Removes greenland on the entrance into Lancaster – less scenic loss of natural beauty. Makes the drive into Lancaster less appealing
Increase demand on A6	Very large area to develop so a lot less of environment
Large number of housing opportunities	Congestion on roads large and long term
Potential for a new M6 junction	
Close to university – more people stay from university	
Close to uni	
Use Lancaster uni bus	
Good for student houses	
Activities	
More students may come to Lancaster uni as there would be more housing nearby	
Very large, effective in achieving growth	
Less disturbance, all in one area	
Good connections	
Amenities at Uni already	
Provide for students	
Good links to the university and to the motorway so people who live there can easily commute to work	
Possibility for more employment	
Possibility for student accommodation so that students can move all of family housing in the city	
Good links with the uni	
Create bypass at Galgate	
Interlink transport	
Employment opportunities	
Allows more student accommodations	

<b>UE2 – Urban Extension</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
A new area to develop	No current job/school facilities – only future potential ones
Near to road connections	Requires a lot of development
Bus route	Would need to build schools and services
Readily developable	Development of a very large area from scratch
Lots of land	Quite isolated

<b>UE2 – Urban Extension</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Good bus route	More cars on road into Lancaster
Facilities in walking distance	UE2 – Will require more schools and other facilities/services
UE2 – good link and access	Environmental damage
Blank canvas – opportunities to build whatever is needed	Loss of woodland
Good public transport links	Loss of farms and agriculture land
Access	Big green space loss
Good access	Not enough schools
No physical constraints	Further out of town (not too far)
Right on junctions	Lots of investment required
Unseen due to hills	Congestion on entrance road
Good public transport links	Necessary development of schools etc. – no existing community/amenities
Not next to existing homes	Destruction of large green area
Good access	Loss of greenfield and agricultural land
Starting afresh	Could impact on local landscape and wildlife
Close to employment	New build of everything
Park and ride – close to M6	Doesn't meet rural housing needs
Good access to City Centre along Caton Road	Loss of environment
Good access to M6	Public transport
Opportunity for lots of housing	Infrastructure from scratch
Top choice	Noise levels
Affordable housing	Woodland
No merging could happen	Very hilly
Good links	No shops
Good access to the M6	Some farmland lost
Close to employment opportunities and city centre	Vicinity to motorway
The building of stores/services for the residents provides employment opportunities which may be lacking in the city centre	No shops
Good access to the motorway for commuters also can travel elsewhere for shopping and entertainment	Far from town
Limited traffic effects	Local schools
Cycle path	Effects urban shops
Won't affect traffic much	Woodland
Out of major businesses	M6 acts as a barrier so new services would need to be created e.g. school
Cycle paths	Loss of environment land – sensitive areas
Won't affect traffic that much	Motorway is a barrier to the city centre – facilities such as shops will have to be built on this site
Cycle path	Money needs to be put into public transport links to allow access for those that don't drive
Offices / jobs	Very hilly
Leisure centre	Too close to motorway
Good links	No shops
M6 links	Far too much forest land
Blank canvas	Disruption to farmland
Good business area	Out of the way
Local leisure facilities	Effects woods
Potential industry and employment	Beyond the motorway
Traffic won't be effected as its near motorway	No shops
Cycle path	Far from town

<b>UE2 – Urban Extension</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Office jobs	No schools

<b>UE3 – Urban Extension</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Close to school	Close to prison
Golf course – more custom	More schools would need to open
Bring more custom to Lancaster	May need a new primary school
Two nearby schools (Central/Grammar)	Road problems
Local area well equipped	Difficult access (despite motorway)
Hidden area to build on close to the city centre	Possible new schools required
Close to Lancaster	Limited access to any main road
Near Lancaster City Centre	Varied attitude
Employment opportunities	Potential to impact on local landscape and wildlife
Close to schools	No access to a main road
Leisure centre nearby	Some people wouldn't want to live near a prison
M6 motorway	Disrupts farm
Leisure centre nearby	Too close to town
Very close to Lancaster	Central could not take on the people
A lot of transport links	Far too close to prison
Near to woodland areas	Negatively affect Caton Road
Close to M6 and schools	No bus routes
Job opportunities	Near prison
Close to town already, almost just a urban extension	Central school is not big enough
2 schools	Ridge farm will be cut to be smaller
Already existing communities	Bad lane, no transport links
Already contained within Lancaster	Traffic will get worse on Caton Road
2 High schools nearby	Close to prison
Build well sited affordable housing	Access not brilliant
Very close to city centre	Access is a problem
Quite a hidden site, not many people will notice it so it won't obstruct any views	Living near prison
Close to the city centre = employment opportunities, choice of schools for families	Limited access
Closest to city centre	Proximity to prison – expansion?
Range of houses can be built	Golf course
Nice area	Traffic
Schools	Accessibility
Close to town	New schools
Opportunity for housing and upgrade to schools	Hard to access
Local school	No access to main road
Natural extension to city – close and convenient	Large hillside
Opportunity to build most affordable housing	New roads to be developed
Reduces need for small scale development	Impact on wildlife
Near town	Right by the prison
Could be good with added infrastructure	No road links
Nice landscape	Not as easily accessed as some other sites which would need a lot of investment to allow people to easily commute
	Effects the farm
	Access in
	Effects traffic

<b>UE3 – Urban Extension</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
	No bus route
	Will disturb major farms
	Catchment area of high school
	Transport links
	UE2 remote
	Infrastructure
	Not many roads
	Near to prison
	Affects golf course
	Prison – people may not be happy living next to a prison
	Noise from M6
	Disconnected with limited access
	Neat the prison
	Needs infrastructure

<b>GB1 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Good Accessibility – M6/City Centre	Lots of agricultural land
Housing and employment will generate money to be put into infrastructure	Reduces gap between towns and villages
Large area to build on	Loss of land
Good access to city centre amenities as well as other places such as Morecambe	Losing our environmental status
Housing and employment can generate an income and boost the economy	Wasn't supported in 2014
Infrastructure already in place	Why not build on Brownfield sites
Connected to existing settlement	Can't get it back
Link to M6	Cultural loss of land
Transport links	No bus routes (this will need to be added)
Close to Lancaster	Country road (speed limits will need changing)
Makes sense	Woodland
Definite boundary	Residents may find Army Camp disturbing
Economies of scale (existing works going on)	At current lack of transport links
Near Lancaster town centre	Some traffic problems
New access and infrastructure	Training camp could be disturbing
Not too far from town centre	Loss of land (agriculture)
College and schools	Close proximity to M6
Alternative transport most viable as closest to Lancaster	Use of greenbelt land – once lost cannot get back
Can improve buildings which are in disrepair	Building on greenbelt – land lost forever
Close to the city	Increase traffic on the local roads
Good access to Lancaster and Morecambe	Loss of green belt
Good transport links – A6	Public transport?
Large area to build on	Over reliance on cars?
Generate money for infrastructure	Traffic
Could be made more self-sufficient than before	No bus routes
Road network already in place	Accidents on back roads near it
An extension of already existing settlement	No shops
Bypass – links/employment	Training camp disturbing
Already existing construction	No bus routes
Next to the M6 - accessibility	Access to small roads need lower speed limit
Already being worked on because of the bypass	Training camp may disturb
Well connected to urban areas	Into Lancaster may worsen

<b>GB1 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Land already being used – opportunity to build as its already disturbed	Need parks
Already being developed	Historic and listed buildings will lose their meaning
Good for employment opportunities	Build-up of congestion on small lanes going into other housing settlements
Land already been disturbed	Questions of how it interacts with the existing transport
May be good with road ways out of Lancaster	Building on large areas of greenbelt land
“Green” not really	No bus routes
New junction	Accidents on road behind Halton
Good boundary with link road	Residents may be disturbed by camp
Near to town	Horse routes on that road to Halton
Close to already developed areas	Possible traffic issues
Change of societies – more varied	Traffic may get worse
Close to amenities and facilities	Could impact the wildlife
M6 link makes development seem natural	Could cause problems with nearby Residents
Natural expansion	Loss of green car park on the small land
Good access	Loss of green belt so loss of ecological systems
Definite boundary of M6 link	More merging in Lancaster villages
Near to town	Lots of people on edge will complain
Good access	Big green area
Accessible	De-values houses
	A big environment to change
	Complaints about the lack of views/scenery
	Lots of complaints
	Different type of people moving in/out
	Construction disturbance
	Traffic
	People’s houses may be de-values if the item which was once in existence is removed by new houses being built
	Disruptive to a long line of houses e.g. buying house for view, higher cost when building starts likely to be de-valued
	Loss of agricultural land (Meant to be on UE2)
	Not environmentally friendly

<b>GB2/1 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Bus routes – lots of them	May disturb college and hospice
Great location to town	Influx on traffic
Close to schools	Disturbance of scenic areas
Prefer GB1	May disturb traffic, hospice and college
Good transport links	Some monuments will be disturbed
Existing infrastructure	A big area to change – lots of environment
Schools nearby	Requires more schools – more building
Not too far	Current residents will be unhappy
Bus routes	Already well populated
Not over populated	People will complain
Things to do there – shops	Need for more primary schools
Close to schools	Complaints
GB1 is better	Already lots of housing there
Quite close to businesses	Noise from railway and M6
Good transport links	Already densely populated

<b>GB2/1 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Already landscaped	GB2 – already fairly dense developments
Prefer GB1	Loss of greenbelt land
New M6 link	Would require further schools etc
Schools nearby	Lack of access
Services	Close to crematorium
Suitable transport links – bus routes etc	Railway – noise
Near town	May have issues with access
Retail opportunities	Railway acts a barrier
Connecting Morecambe and Lancaster – events and festivals	Residents may not like being near railway and roads – noise pollution
Transport links	Isolates Torrisholme barrow from the rest of countryside – area less scenic and desirable for dog walkers etc.
Primary schools	Poor access to main transport link and noise from railway
Not liable to flooding	Possible disturbance to Beaumont College and Hospice
Geographical sound	Traffic problems
Connects Torrisholme with Skerton with Lancaster	Disturb college
Good for Morecambe	May disturb hospice and college
Some resources (transport, sports grounds) already in place	Traffic problems may be created
Close to public transport	Cause traffic problems
Bring more custom	Disturbance of scenic areas
Encourage diversity in smaller areas	Too close to main town?
Links to urban areas	It would require some form of commerce as shopping seems limited
Central	It would require improvements in certain infrastructure – conveniences
2 schools nearby	Near to railway and link road – noise problems
Demand for affordable housing links	Already quite built up
Already existing construction – bypass	Need another school
Boundary – Railway line	Already reasonably high population
Railway links	Green belt
Good infrastructure	Isolation of Barrow (grazing of animals)
Constant change – already been worked on	Lack of access
Good transport links (like bus routes)	Green belt lost, merging possible
Near Town	Train line
Main roads to Lancaster, Halton, Morecambe	
Already surrounded by residential areas – easy to access and suitable	
Opportunity for change in age and society to encourage younger people	
Near town and job opportunities	
Job opportunities – schools etc	
Links to roads and public transport	
Fairly close to schools - Skerton, kept open for new area	
Access to roads	
Good transport links	
Near to town – bus routes	
Many existing facilities	
No geographical worries	
Retail opportunities	
Primary schools nearby	

<b>GB2/1 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Transport links	
Merges Morecambe and Lancaster	
Sports facilities nearby	
Definable boundaries and defendable	
Use of the bypass	
Schools nearby	
GB2 – 750 houses/transport links	
Already within a boundary	
Need for new affordable houses	
Transport links	
Good access to Morecambe, Bare/Torrisholme	
Railway line could be used to provide a new green belt boundary	
Well-built residential areas	
Good communication links	
Close to other settlements – no need to build facilities on this area as residents can access the ones already existing.	
Good community feel	

<b>GB3 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
In an area which in in the middle of a lot of other things, offering easy access	Agricultural – not goof for environment etc.
Gives access to more area	Congestion problems
Opportunity for lots of houses	No access to woodland areas if area was taken up
No complaints or comments from local people	Not environmentally friendly
High school nearby and supermarkets	Already congestion
Motorway access	Likely to be resistance to building on a green belt site
People in Carnforth want it	Flood risk
Shops nearby (Tesco, Co-op, Aldi, Booths)	Disturbance of wildlife
Near brownfield site – makes it available for development	Flood risks
New build near by	Disturbing environment
Only people not happy would be farmers	Disturbance of nature and wildlife
Near junction	Flood risks
Fairly close to the M6, good infrastructure	Area of Outstanding Beauty
Good shops nearby	Primary school
Accessible to the motorway	Hospital problems
Existing residents in favour	Geographical issues
Brings custom	Amenities issues
Very central	Congested by M6
Towns very accessible from Carnforth	Could affect Carnforth air quality management area
Good location to school	Reduces gap between towns and villages within the greenbelt
Good for leisure	More jobs would be needed around Carnforth
Support amongst residents	Far away from a large town/city – Carnforth has very few facilities that may not be ideal for everyone
Good links to other areas	Loss of greenbelt may not be supported by locals
800-900 houses	No one wants to live in Carnforth

<b>GB3 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Infrastructure is very good in Carnforth already	Loss of greenbelt
Good links into the towns	Residents don't support them merging
Close to existing urban areas	Other areas are possible to build on
Employment opportunities	Resistance to build on green belt
Bring a lot of new people to the town	Disruption of farm
Provides opportunity to access Barrow	Lack of shops
Schools nearby	Traffic
Leisure – football pitch	Out of the way?
Lots of retail	No one knows where it is
Provide a location near Kendal and Lancaster	Large area of green belt to build on
Job opportunities	Reduces gap between towns
A lot of schools	Investment of infrastructure needed
Leisure	Impact on Wildlife
Train line	Farm land
Rail links, M6, A6	Traffic through back lanes backs up
Lovely countryside	Possible traffic problems
Part brownfield	Far from town
Brings life into Carnforth?	Effects a farm
Invigorate local services	Change paths
Rejuvenation/modernisation	Can't go to the A6
Connections	Traffic would get worse
Link to Lake District/AONB	
High/Primary schools	
800 houses	
It will modernise the town	
Accessibility – trains and M6	
Access for bus routes	
Planning permission available	
Close to employment opportunities in Carnforth and South Cumbria	
Link already there	
Rural housing needs greater filled affordable housing	
Close to motorway so access to a lot of different places including the Lake District	
Improvement to Carnforth – more people living there means more money can be invested into facilities such as shopping and entertaining making it a more ideal place to live	
Closer access to barrow	
Local access to Carnforth	
Local football and leisure	
Access to shops	
Job opportunities	
Access to Barrow	
Near shops	
Schools	
Leisure	

<b>GB4 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Already surrounded by industry	Disruption of scenic areas
Good bus links and transport	Difficult to get into city
Empty field	Residents disturbed
Good infrastructure already	Loss of scenic area



<b>GB4 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Can be built into community	Time to get to city
Schools	Residents disturbed
Playing areas	Time scale a little longer
Transport links	Elderly population increase
Close green space	Disruption to scenic areas
Well connected to existing communities	Far
Unused field	Difficult to get to the city
Close to school	Over crowding
Close to services	Already quite well populated
GB4 – 500 houses	Could cause overcrowding
Transport links	High value area
Link into Lancaster and shop	The 2 villages don't want to merge
Close to job opportunities in Lancaster, Morecambe and Carnforth	Loss of green land
500 potential homes	Nearby residents are not supportive
Good access to public transport	Flooding issues
Opportunity for variations of land use	Greenbelt is getting very small
Little pocket of space	Reduces gap between towns and villages
Space is very well for community	Merge two settlements
Good transport links	Flooding issues on some of the land
Good community feel already in the area – more people to the area	Not great facilities and shops in the area
Surrounded by more homes / more populated	Merges BLS and Hest bank together – loss of boundaries between different areas which locals will not agree with
Access to main roads	Facilities in this area are not particularly food so will not support this increase in population
Night life is possible	Not a massive area
Job opportunities	People around them have problems with the environment changing
Already populated so may not cause as many disturbances	Not very close to jobs etc – fairly isolated
Bus routes are already available therefore would be easy to access Lancaster	May be expensive to live and travel around
Positive job interviews	Not as big
Well connected to existing community	Changes environment
Close employment opportunities in Lancaster, Morecambe and Carnforth	Objection
Bus Routes (555)	Encourages driving to work?
Existing infrastructure	Loss of a huge green area
Transport links	Not big enough to make it worth while
Existing housing in the area	Surrounding people may not be happy
Job opportunities	Not many jobs around
Existing housing	High value area
Job opportunities	May need more schools due to being full already
Accessible	Not too close to Lancaster
Already surrounded by houses – a natural gap being filled	Bye Bye Greenbelt
Good bus services and access to rail	Poor transport links
Access, good with M6 link	Lack of infrastructure
An area which is surrounded by urban houses etc already so the impact would not be very big	Disturbing the area before and after construction
Unused ground near sport facilities and school	Only 500 – is it worth it?
Local amenities	Conflict of generations

<b>GB4 – Greenbelt</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
M6 link near by	Warp separate identity if villages
Small development	Not enough
Close to Lancaster – but scenery	GB4 – criticism of location
Tighter community	Smaller amount of land
Rail links	Unpopular with community - may have to pay compensation
Access to canal	Little space
Far enough away from Lancaster to escape busy city life but still very easily accessible for jobs/entertainment	Lack of drainage
Scenic area and good community. Ideal place to live which many will be attracted to	Lack of support from residents
	Greenbelt damaged

<b>VE – Village Expansion</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
No congestion	Off the beaten track – 2.5 miles
Promote local business / commerce	No rail route
Not interrupting city congestion or the A6	Marshy land
Promote local businesses	Building a new town
Potentially lowering carbon footprint with travel	Impact on wildlife
Near to Lancaster University, good for business	Pressure on roads through Dolphinholme
Transport links	More cars – more local pollution which worsens air quality
More houses, more people, more businesses	Disruption of farmlands
Less traffic in the City	Needs better transport links
Transport links	Small amount of facilities
Infrastructure	Disruption to farmland
Close to University	Danger of traffic on main road, near primary school
Keep local shops open	Farm animals, land disrupted
Close transport links Lancaster University	Wildlife effected
Primary school needs a large intake	Far from shops, city
Very rural	Away from everywhere
Lots of people want to live in rural areas	Residents don't want change
Lots of space for development	Limited to only this area – does not do anything for other places which suffer
1/3 people like to live in rural area	Limited to personal transport and travel – not very near to town/railway
Already has a Primary school	Middle of nowhere
Could stabilise own VE2	Disruption to local community
Good community feel	Public transport?
Sites available	Lack of services
Close to Galgate	Infrastructure
More housing choice for people	Unpopular – established community already existing
Lots of land prime for development	School expansion necessary
Lots of land sites made available	Local people object heavily
500 houses could be built	Problem with connections with Lancaster
Close to Galgate and M6	Off the beaten track
Good community feel	No rail/major road link
Community expansion – improved living	Marshy land
Many sites to use for large range can be used (1,2,4)	Prone to flooding

<b>VE – Village Expansion</b>	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
Wouldn't affect M6 or A6 when being constructed. Increase local services – possibility to improve infrastructure	Pressure on narrow, windy country roads
Increased population improves local services which could ultimately mean less need to travel out for services.	More cars needing to commute to Lancaster
Close to University – transport links available	Effectively building a new town
Primary schools need a larger intake	Local air quality would deteriorate
Village	Disruption of farm land
Close transport links to Lancaster	Danger of traffic for primary school
Need more people for the primary school	Disruption of footpaths
No protected wildlife, no flooding	Lack of industry/shops
Very ideal conditions for development	Far from city/shops/or lack of
A lot of opportunity for connections	Lack of access
One of the only villages which had suitable conditions (comparison to Caton etc)	Environmental damage
Rural village living	Disruption of farm land
Not many houses already	Loss of local beauty
New M6 junction	Lack of current local facility
Population improves local services	Disruption of a farm
Close to university	Far
Nice countryside	Have to change a main road
Revitalise local services (Pub)?	Not a lot buses
Would keep it more central	Not a lot of shops
Would allow people to stay and businesses/services to grow	Disruption of farm land
Allow people to afford to live in a rural area	Car pollution
More opportunities	Disrupting, rural fields and farms
School may grow	Loss of village atmosphere
Central to existing communities	Car dependence
More businesses open	Very far away from Lancaster in comparison
Encourage diversity	Quite out of Lancaster
Rejuvenate/establish new opportunities (shops/schools/bus services)	Would need a larger school
Accommodate for desire to live in rural area (affordability/more diverse community)	Established community – don't want development
Access to Lancaster and Galgate but still in a small and quiet area	Difficult to get out – traffic wise
A lot of space available but spread out around the village so houses won't be crammed together. Village feel is still preserved	Unpopular with residents
	Impact on culture
	Flood risks
	Residents rather against
	Potential flood risk
	Facilities would need upgrading to accommodate growth
	Transport links poor
	Loss of agricultural land
	May lead to unsuitable travel patterns (e.g. cars) and increased car dependence to access services in urban areas
	Not great transport links – it would have to be improved
	Poor facilities in the area
	Fairly isolated place

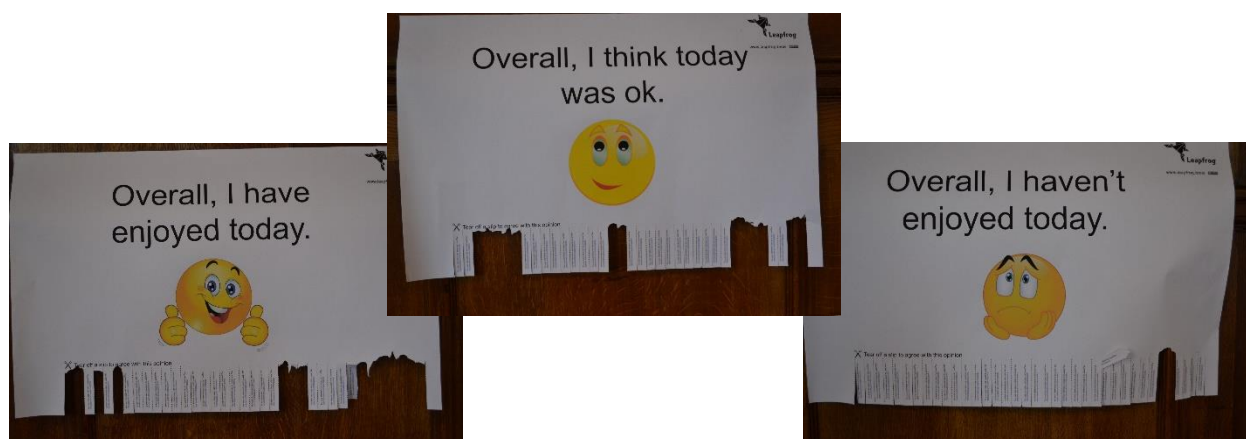
VE – Village Expansion	
ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
	May impact on character and feel of the village
	Impact on rural areas – wildlife etc.

## Evaluation

At the end of the event, the young people were asked to complete a postcard asking what the best thing was about the day and how it could have been improved. They were then asked to tear off a strip from one of the question sheets on the wall to reflect how they felt about the event.

Overall feedback suggested that the majority young people enjoyed or thought the event was ok. Only one young person said that they hadn't enjoyed the event.

The young people's feedback will be used to help plan future young people events.



The best thing about today was...	Today would have been better if...
Discussing ideas with Councillors	Delivery and Communication of presentation (improve microphone situation)?
Combining ideas for our communities future	Organisation
Breakfast	Standing at the front – too formal you want to engage with us
The voting was good	Asking us questions – being ready for our responses without re-reading the sheet
Discussing with Councillors	More food / more variety of food available
The interactive voting	Food not to be stale, have bacon butties
I enjoyed discussing the different sites with my group	Clearer maps
The interactive voting activity	More interactive activities
Being able to see what may happen in the future	Title on badges (MYP)
Voting	More ice breakers
Food	Possibly a big debate between groups
Music good taste	We created more team building games to understand the LPP better and more ice-breakers
Being able to see the proposed sites for planning and being able to give our views on if they were a good idea or not	Create a less awkward opinionated environment

The best thing about today was...	Today would have been better if...
Getting young people's views on how to develop Lancaster and the local area.	When we were included it was more obvious – if you were asking opinions It would have been awesome if you requested a show of hands?
Looking at different things like Planning	It would have been nice to meet and debate with other tables
Learning about how local policy planning has changed my view on my future and the future of other people in higher education	Get to know and learn opinions from other people who go to difference schools (debate with other tables)
Knowing about the plans for the future	There was more discussion wound specific interests
I loved feeling included in the process and loved the reactions we got when we expressed our opinions	Would be good to have University and Students Union specific talks about future town planning (we have already but I'd like more because it was productive)
Learning about homes being developed and built on different areas	Some of the development picture were grouped together so you could give more comparative analysis – it got quite repetitive in the end
I really liked the fact we as young adults had a chance to voice our opinions about the future	Been a tad warmer in the room
Gaining an insight into how planning works at the Council, and how open to ideas you are (and David was Fantastic).	A bit louder
Gaining an insight into potential development plans in the City	Tad longer break
Tea was good	Gone in to a bit more details about the specific plans for each area and the background
Interesting to learn about how the Council decides where to develop	More background information regarding local development
Explaining the various options in the group activity	Hearing residents opinions on these development
Maurice's passion and overall commitment to the activity	We find out whether our opinions (advantages/disadvantages) had an impact on what is eventually decided
How professional it was	More information was given about the outcome of the day and the sites – not just housing
Learning about all the different proposals for development, that I had no idea about before	Less bias towards the plans – made it hard to make a balanced decision
Discussion with other people	The interaction with other tables
Being involved in consultation	See what has already recently been put in place
Hearing a range of opinions	More people to interact with (numbers too small)
Discussing opinions with different people in the area	Communicate with people from other tables
Seeing the potential plans, because you don't normally get the opportunity to find out about and have an opinion on them	More focus on future, not just housing. Suggest plans for the other things were discussed: shops, culture, venues
Good having your voice heard	What other groups on other days have said
Seeing plans that were in place, didn't know they were even in place	Which development are most likely to go ahead and what influence have we had on that decision?

The best thing about today was...	Today would have been better if...
Being involved in the future of Lancaster	They seem a bit unresponsive to the disadvantages, though I am too.
Seeing the planned development all together, being able to compare them. I wouldn't normally be able to see these.	More people from your school
Nice to meet new people, and also the City Councilmen	Good to know what has already been said by other consultation groups
Seeing what was being planned	Less time was spent on discussing each site – only 3 minutes were necessary
Having your voice heard	Don't discuss the results of the quiz with everyone, do it in groups
People listening to you and agreeing with your view	6 minutes was slightly too long for each activity
The young people were made to feel valued	
Free breakfast	
Meeting other people and discussing in groups	
Voting	
Having a chance to speak to people who play a big role in developing Lancaster for the future	
Good communication between the council and young people	