



## Lawrence Court

The City Council have now cut back an ivy hedge that was encroaching the gardens in Lawrence Court.

## Ashton Road

After a walk-about Cllrs Abi and Joanna spotted vegetation covering yellow lines off Ashton Road. These have now been reported and cleared by the City Council. A temporary speed trap was also been requested and installed by police on Ashton Road.

## Potholes reported

Potholes and problems with road surfaces have been reported on Palatine Avenue and Malvern Avenue.

## Sulby Drive

After reports from Councillors, the County Council has repainted the double yellow lines at the top of Sulby Drive.

## Bowerham garage enforcement

The local planning authority have now confirmed that a planning enforcement will be served upon the owner of Bowerham Garage imminently. This notice will require the current building on the site to be demolished. The council is expecting a new planning application for the site to be submitted shortly.

## Wellington Road garages

After problems with parking at the garages on Wellington Road, "no parking" signage has been installed by the City Council to prevent residents having problems accessing their cars.

## Polling Station review

In a review of polling stations, it was noted that residents were concerned about slippery paving stones on Kensington Road, by the Methodist Church. The council have promised to ensure that the pavements will be jet washed before each election.

## Weeds, fly tipping and rats

Several reports of fly tipping, weeds, overgrown hedges and rats in streets and alley ways have been reported to the City Council by Councillors after complaints from residents.

## West Street

H-Bars (white markings) have been painted on the bottom of West Street after reports of problems with dangerous parking.

## De Vitre Gardens update

The Friends of De Vitre Gardens has a fun family-friendly tree planting event on Saturday 30th November, from 9.30am until 12.30pm. All equipment will be provided, and drinks and snacks halfway through. Everyone is welcome!

## City Council's Climate Action Plan Published

Lancaster City Council has published the first stage of its Climate Emergency Action Plan, to reduce its own carbon emissions to net zero by 2030. Actions include building solar farms at Salt Ayre leisure centre and tip, electrifying the Council's vehicle fleet, and moving away from gas for heating buildings. Further stages of the plan will look at Council housing and how the Council can influence wider change across the district. There are plans to set up a 'Citizen's Jury' on this topic in early 2020.



Cllr Caroline Jackson  
Green MP candidate for  
Lancaster & Fleetwood

## Caroline's standing for Parliament

Caroline Jackson is your Green Party candidate in the upcoming General Election.

She said "I have lived in Lancaster for 25 years. Following my career in teaching, I have been working hard as a charity volunteer, an environmental campaigner and as your elected City Councillor for Bulk Ward. As your MP I promise to fight for a fairer society and a rapid transition to a low-carbon economy that works for everyone."



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## Dorrington Wood Bulbs Planting Event

Cllr Abi Mills helped with a big bulbs planting day in Dorrington Woods, when 35 local residents, the Friends of Dorrington Woods and of 16th Lancaster Scout Group planted over 2,500 bulbs in the woods. Abi said *"Thank you to everyone who came along to help"*.

## News from your Green MEP Gina Dowding

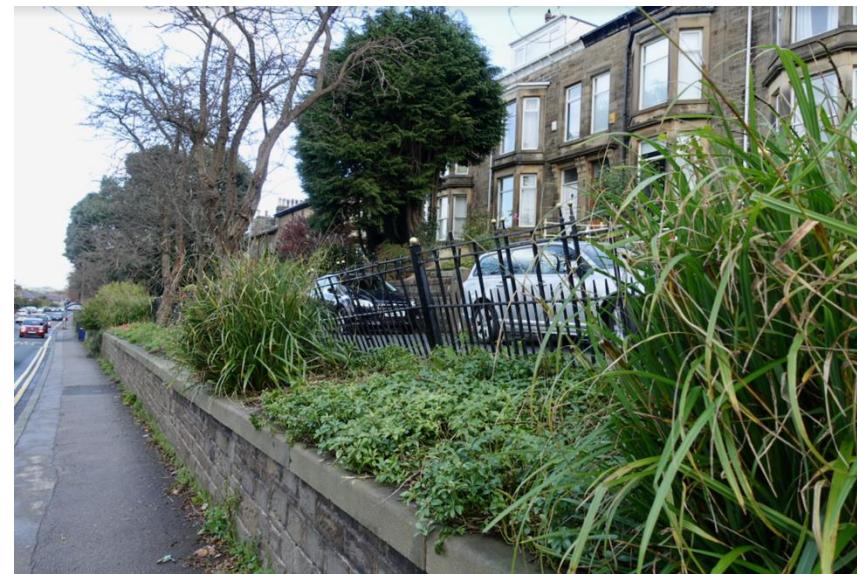


*"The core role of an MEP is working on legislation. I represent the Greens on the Transport and Tourism; Foreign Affairs; and Industry, Energy and Research committees. My report on The Green New Deal in the North West lays out a transition to a low carbon economy, creating thousands of jobs in green industries, warm home renovations, public transport and renewable energy. Please see my website for the report and other news at: [www.ginadowding.org.uk](http://www.ginadowding.org.uk)"*

## Developers to be asked for Energy Statement by Lancaster City Council

Further to work by Cllr Tim Dant, proposals for ten or more homes will be asked to show how their developments will save and generate energy under a scheme out for consultation by Lancaster City Council. *"Until the government changes the law, we can't insist on extra measures to tackle climate change, but under this scheme we can at least ask developers whether they will be using higher insulation standards, triple glazing, solar panels or heat pumps"* said Councillor Dant, who is a member of the Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee.

## Belle Vue Terrace needs improvements



Over thirty residents at Belle View Terrace have asked for a tidy-up of the planting by the A6. *"This section of roadway has in the past been a colourful welcome to those coming into Lancaster but has recently become overgrown and full of weeds,"* said Cllr Tim Dant, who has contacted officers at the council about improving this area. Officers have agreed that it is an important

## Back Alley Weeding

Cllr Abi Mills worked with residents of Victoria Avenue, St Paul's Road and Cheltenham Road to clear the alley ways of weeds. Abi said; *"This was a great community event, if you would like help organising a weeding clear up in your area, please get in touch and we can help"*.

area, and Tim is working with residents to improve it. Railings damaged during a car accident some time ago will be repaired and double yellow lines on the north end of the Terrace will be painted so that residents can turn safely onto Greaves Road.



## Surface water flooding in our ward

Cllr Joanna Young recently attended the South Lancaster Flood Action group to find out more about how flooding affects residents. Joanna said: *"It's important that drains are kept clear at this time of year. If you see leaves on a drain and you can clear it, please do and if you see a blocked drain that isn't working, you can report it to Lancashire County Council online at <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/report-it> or you can let us know."*

## Dorrington Bridge Litter Pick

Cllrs Abi Mills & Joanna Young organised a litter pick behind houses on Dorrington Road where they are consulting with residents about what to do with the space. They have applied for some funding for bulb and small trees to be planted and bird boxes to be installed.



## More plastics in kerbside recycling

We are delighted that the City Council can now collect plastic yogurt pots, margarine tubs and meat trays via your kerbside box for recycling, along with plastic bottles. All items must be clean!



The three types of plastic that can now go in your recycling bin/boxes