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ENGAGEMENT NETWORK - MESSAGE BULLETIN

Dear ***Engagement Network Member***

Here we are at March already, how time flies!

Involving and sharing news and opportunities with as many people as we can must be part of our engagement mantra, so please help by forwarding this bulletin as relevant.

There are a number of consultations in progress so it may be an opportune moment to remind you that you can keep up with online council consultations at any time via our [consultation portal](#).

Thank you

Sara



What do you think of Wyre Council's [website](#)? Is it easy to find what you're looking for?

The Council's engagement team are looking for ways to improve it and would love your help. The team are proposing to hold a workshop at Poulton's Civic Centre in the next couple of months where you will have the opportunity to participate in some user testing and

feedback on what you really think of our site.

The team can also help you. If you would like to improve your skills when using our website then we will provide you with some basic training and really handy tips.

Please email communications@wyre.gov.uk by **Friday 11 March** if you are interested in attending the workshop.

Green waste bin collections change to a subscription only service from 1 May 2016.

The cost will be £30 per year, per bin, with additional bins charged at £25. The deadline to pay to ensure that no collections are missed is **15 April**. Look out for the leaflet through your door.

For more information and to subscribe www.wyre.gov.uk/greenwaste



If you have a moment please complete the [The Mount](#), Fleetwood survey.

The bid for Heritage Lottery funding requires more evidence about what improvements people want delivered at the landmark. Your views are essential to increasing the prospect of gaining this award.

Hawthorne Park Needs Your Vote

Hawthorne Park Trust has been awarded £8,000 by Tesco but could receive even more if you vote for them in the Tesco 'Bags of Help' campaign. Tesco shoppers at:

- Fleetwood Hatfield Ave Express
- Poulton-le-Fylde Express, Garstang Road East
- Thornton Marsh Express , Fleetwood Road North
- Cleveleys Metro, Victoria Road West

will be given tokens at the checkout and Hawthorne Park needs your vote! The Trust intends to use the money to install more swings for young children and a replacement for the hugely popular sand digger which was stolen about eighteen months ago. With extra money, they'll also be able to install outdoor exercise equipment for adults.

Please share and cast your votes! You have until **6th March** to make their vote count.

Walney Extension Community Fund

DONG Energy has committed to a Fund worth up to £650,000 a year for the lifetime of the offshore [Walney Wind Farm Extension Project](#).

A public event was held on 24 February at Fleetwood Town Football Club so people could find out more about the coastal fund and the Wyre areas that would be eligible to apply. It was very well attended. **The first round of funding will be launched in April 2016.**

If you missed the event and want to know more about the Fund, or would like to register your interest please call GrantScape on 01908 247634 or email wecf@grantscape.org.uk. Let's get plenty of Wyre projects submitted!

Lancashire County Council (LCC) consultation on budget proposals for 2016 - 2021

Over the next five years LCC needs to make savings of £262m on top of those agreed in previous budgets, an unprecedented financial challenge due to continued cuts in Government funding, rising costs and increasing demand for key services. You can [have your say](#) on a number of consultations a number of which are listed below:

Where a service is continuing (but has future budget proposals)

- Wellbeing, Prevention and Early Help Service (available 9/2/16 to 21/3/16)
- Museums Services (available 15/2/16 to 13/3/16)

Where a service is stopping

- Withdrawal of subsidy from local bus services (available 4/1/16 to 27/3/16)
- Countryside services (available 4/1/16 to 27/3/16)
- Historic Environment Service (available 4/1/16 to 27/3/16)
- Home to school transport (available 22/02/16 to 10/04/16)

Get involved in your local NHS decision-making

People living in Wyre are being sought to join an influential panel that helps shape health services across the area. The NHS Fylde and Wyre Clinical Commissioning Group 'Influence People's Panel' is looking to grow its membership to offer people in the area a real say in how their local NHS services look. If you wish to register an interest in joining the Influence People's Panel, visit www.fyldeandwyreccg.nhs.uk/influence or email communications@fyldeandwyreccg.nhs.uk



E.ON Energy Action Fund

The search is on for Wyre's young stars

Nominations are being sought for Wyre's most inspirational young people. Every year the Mayor of Wyre presents the prestigious Sheraton Trophy to a rising star who has brought pride to the borough as a result of their achievements. Wyre Council wants to hear about young people who have excelled in any walk of life. You can find out more [here](#). Closing date for nominations: 25 March 2016.

Grants up to £2,000 are available to registered charities, not-for-profit organisations and schools in Great Britain for energy projects and events that show both energy efficient benefits and community benefits that can be completed by December 2016. The application deadline: 08 April 2016. See: [Information and application form](#).

Visit wyre.gov.uk to read all the latest news from Wyre, report problems such as dog fouling or fly tipping, pay your council tax and much more



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