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Dear Sir/Madam

FYLDE COAST HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT MASTER PLAN – DRAFT PUBLICATION FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION

I am writing to inform you of a consultation on the draft Fylde Coast Highways and Transport Master Plan.

The public consultation will begin on 12 January 2015 and will run for six weeks to 20 February 2015.

Key amongst the proposals are:

- The extension of the Blackpool Tramway from the promenade at North Pier to Blackpool North railway station which will improve access to the UK National Rail Network from Blackpool, Fleetwood and Cleveleys.
- A new Junction 2 on the M55 near Preston, and Preston Western Distributor road which will improve links to the Fylde, via a direct dual carriageway connection from the motorway to the A583/A584 – this is being funded through the Preston, South Ribble and Lancashire City Deal and the Highways Agency.
- The commitment recently announced by central government to A585 Windy Harbour to Skippool improvements. This Highways Agency scheme proposes a new bypass of the village of Little Singleton. This scheme would remove the current bottleneck at Five Lane Ends and give the opportunity to improve the A585 Mains Lane/A588 Shard Road junction. It could also remove rat-running traffic from Singleton.

As part of the consultation public exhibitions will be held at:

Venue	Date	Time
Garstang Library, Windsor Road, Garstang	Tuesday, 27 January	2.00pm to 7.00pm
St John the Evangelist Church, Church Street, Blackpool	Wednesday, 28 January	2.00pm to 7.00pm
Poulton Library, Blackpool Old Road, Poulton-le-Fylde	Thursday, 29 January	2.00pm to 7.00pm
Fleetwood Library, North Albert Street, Fleetwood	Tuesday, 3 February	2.00pm to 6.45pm
Kirkham Community Centre, Mill Street, Kirkham	Wednesday, 4 February	12.00pm to 6.30pm
St Annes United Reform Church, St Georges Road, Lytham	Wednesday, 11 February	2.00pm to 7.00pm

The full Masterplan can be viewed at:

[http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/strategies-policies-plans/roads,-parking-and-travel/highways-and-transport-masterplans/fylde-coast-highways-and-transport-masterplan-\(draft\).aspx](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/strategies-policies-plans/roads,-parking-and-travel/highways-and-transport-masterplans/fylde-coast-highways-and-transport-masterplan-(draft).aspx)

If you would like to comment on the Masterplan an online questionnaire is available at the link above. Alternatively you can send comments to:

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Yours faithfully



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