

Barrow Area Plan 2014-17

Summary



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Serving the people of Barrow

This area plan summary provides a quick insight into Cumbria County Council's plans for the Barrow area. These plans support the council's priorities which were agreed earlier this year. For a copy of the full and detailed Area Plan for Barrow, as well as a copy of Cumbria County Council's new Council Plan go to **cumbria.gov.uk/community**



Achievements: what we have done in Barrow in 2013/14

- Provided start-up support for 9 new social enterprise businesses.
- Supported the delivery of a new £22 million academy building in 2013/14.
- Over the past year 526 service users have benefitted from the council's reablement service which allows people to live independently at home.
- The first directly elected Youth Council in Cumbria was established in Barrow. The Youth Council actively get involved in local democracy and have a place on the Local Committee's Children and Young People's Working Group.
- The Local Committee continues to support the work of Barrow Sports Council by providing officer support and funds for grants and a free holiday sports programme.
- Over the last three years the County Council has invested £12.8 million in upgrading two primary schools in the area; Barrow Island Primary School and St Georges Primary School and has built a brand new school at Vickerstown, Walney.

Top: Furness Academy
Bottom: St Georges
Primary School

In Barrow we will focus on:

- Promoting sustainable economic growth, and creating jobs.
- Improving educational achievement.
- Improving health and well-being and tackling poverty.



- Continued to deliver new and innovative library services including a 'Silver Surfer' project that has delivered online training to nearly 1000 older people.



- Supported the roll out of superfast broadband in barrow ensuring that over 33,000 properties will receive an improved service by December 2015.



- Started building work on a new state of the art 'dementia gold standard' care home which will open in 2015.

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