



Wigan Borough Council
Declaration of Renewal Areas
Local Government and Housing Act 1989
(as amended by The Regulatory Reform (Housing Assistance)
(England and Wales) Order 2002)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Wigan Borough Council, in exercise of the powers under Section 89 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, as amended by the Regulatory Reform (Housing Assistance) (England and Wales) Order 2002, have declared the Abram Area of Wigan and the Platt Bridge Area of Wigan to be Renewal Areas for a period of ten years beginning on the 2nd day of March 2005.

Location

- The Abram Renewal Area is bounded in places by Hey Brook to the North, Warrington Road to the East, Dover Lock to the South and the Leeds & Liverpool Canal to the West.
- The Platt Bridge Renewal Area is bounded in places by Liverpool Road to the North, Borsdane Brook to the East, Abington Drive to the South and Millers Lane to the West.

Copies of the maps defining the precise boundaries of the Renewal Areas together with the reports recommending the declaration of the Renewal Areas and the official resolution declaring the areas to be Renewal Areas may be inspected at the offices of the Private Sector Housing Section, Kennedy House, Brunswick Street, Leigh, WN7 2PJ on weekdays between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm or on their website at: www.wiganmbc.gov.uk/pub/ehcp/eh/housing/abram.htm

Aims & Objectives

- Revive weak or failing housing markets:
 - Increase confidence in the future of the Areas amongst residents and other stakeholders;
 - Create a balanced housing market.
- Stimulate private and public investment:
 - Encourage business enterprise and economic regeneration;
 - Create employment.
- Establish effective partnerships with residents and other stakeholders:
 - Develop the community and promote community cohesion;
 - Improve cultural, educational, health, leisure, social, transport and youth facilities.
- Improve the environment, housing and street scene:
 - Improve the health and safety of residents;
 - Reduce anti-social behaviour, crime and the fear of crime.

Proposed Actions

- Housing Improvements – Energy Efficiency, Face-lifting, Fitness Enforcement, Home Maintenance, Home Safety, Home Security, Housing Grants and Loans.
- Environmental Improvements – Alley Gating, Drainage, Landscaping, Resurfacing Alleyways, Street Lighting.
- Redevelopment of Buildings and Land – Compulsory or voluntary purchase, Clearance of obsolete buildings, Redevelopment in partnership with private developers.
- Community Involvement – Establish a Residents Steering Group for each Renewal Area in partnership with Wigan & Leigh Housing.

Inquiries & Representations

All inquiries and representations concerning these proposals should be addressed to:
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