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# South Lakeland Area Plan 2012-14 Summary



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# South Lakeland Area Plan

## Serving the people of South Lakeland

This area plan summary provides a quick insight into Cumbria County Council's plans and priorities for the South Lakeland area.

A full and detailed Area Plan for South Lakeland is available at [cumbria.gov.uk](http://cumbria.gov.uk)

### Our priorities: we will focus on

- **Economic Development:** attracting sustainable businesses and investment to the area and developing a local economy where wages are higher.
- **Education and Skills:** making sure people are work ready and able to access jobs locally, for example increasing the number of people entering the care profession in the area.
- **Travel and Accessibility:** working to address the number of people killed or seriously injured on the local roads, helping people get to work, education and leisure, and supporting economic development in the area.
- **Health and Well-being:** tackling issues of fuel poverty and winter deaths and providing support for the ageing population and people with disabilities; as well as working with partners to ensure the delivery of sufficient levels of specialist housing to meet the needs of all within the community.



Top: Bouthrey Bridge.

Bottom: Apprenticeships scheme.

### Achievements: what we have done in South Lakeland in 2011/12

- Replaced the flood damaged bridge at Bouthrey.
- Put funding into a scheme to help young people move around the area to help them access leisure activities.
- Provided advice and guidance resulting in 62 new businesses and creating 68 jobs in South Lakeland.
- Provided funding, councillor and staff support enabling young people in the area to take part in local democracy.
- Promoted the inward investment opportunities available in South Lakeland and helped secure the new development at J36.
- Funded additional apprenticeships in the area through small to medium sized employers, providing young people with greater opportunities to gain a skill or trade.
- Funded the Kendal Schools Federation to support vulnerable young people and their families with the transition from primary to secondary school.
- Worked with Gilkes to help facilitate the regeneration of the Canal Head area to retain Gilkes in Kendal; and safeguard 150+ jobs as well as create opportunities for new employment, residential and commercial development.

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### Looking towards 2012/13: what we will do in South Lakeland in the future

- Continuing to support the young persons' transport scheme (A2B Now scheme).
- Funding three village agents to support neighbourhood care in the area.
- Supporting the roll out of superfast broadband through the Connecting Cumbria project.
- Transforming learning through improvements to local schools.
- Supporting people to live independently in their own homes.
- Upgrading and modernising day care centres and older adult residential homes.
- Modernising our library service.
- Supporting the apprenticeship programme with small to medium sized enterprises.