

BURNLEY TOWN BOARD (LONG-TERM PLAN FOR TOWNS)

BURNLEY COLLEGE

Friday, 19th April, 2024 at 10.00 am

PRESENT

MEMBERS

Karen Buchanan, In the Chair.

Leon Calverley (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Afrasiab Anwar

Eshan Bilal

Councillor Scott Cunliffe

Antony Higginbotham

Phil Jones

Donna Livesey

Councillor Jamie McGowan

Laurence O'Connor

Alan Pace

County Cllr Aidy Riggott

SME Representative

Burnley Council

Youth Parliament

- Burnley Council

Member of Parliament

Burnley Together

- Burnley Leisure & Culture

Burnley Council

Burnley BID

Burnley Football Club

Lancashire County Council

OFFICERS

Lukman Patel – Chief Executive

Kate Ingram – Director of Economy and Development

Sam Smallridge – Shared Prosperity Fund Manager

Alison McEwan – Democracy Officer

Macy Pratt – Business Management Apprentice

IN ATTENDANCE

Rick Ogden – Lancashire Police

9. Welcome

The Chair welcomed all members to the meeting, and invited those present to introduce themselves.

10. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Simon Brierley, Graham Baldwin, and Derry Crorken.

11. Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record.

12. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

13. Additional Items of Business

There were no additional items of business.

14. General Programme Short Update

Kate Ingram provided a brief update indicating that the programme assurance documentation has been submitted to DHLUC. Economic Development consultancy firm Genecon has been appointed to support the Board to develop the Long-Term Plan and associated documentation, and all necessary social media platforms have been established.

15. Presentation - PS Research

PS Research provided an interim update on the public engagement it is undertaking on behalf of the Town Board.

Public engagement on the Burnley Long Term Plan had started on Tuesday 19th March through the launch of an online survey, dedicated website, and social media channels.

There were 7 pop-up events in the community, engaging people and starting conversations at: Community Ifthar, Indoor Market, Artisan Market, St Peters Centre, Downtown, Burnley College and UCLan.

A wide range of engagement was shown over the 4-week period, 1,734 people engaged so far with 650 of these being local residents and 279 being local employees.

The consultation was due to finish on Monday 21st April, so a final detailed report would be compiled and presented to the Board once all responses were received.

Lukman reminded members of the pre-election period publicity guidance in relation to consultations during the election period.

The Board resolved to support further engagement by making a small pot of funding available to support community groups to assist in engagement in areas or communities where engagement had been limited or would help inform future decision making.