



FULL COUNCIL

MECHANICS THEATRE

**Wednesday, 6th December, 2023 at 6.30
pm**

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To consider the recommendations set out in the report.

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Motion on the establishment of a County Combined Authority for Lancashire

Mover: Cllr Mark Townsend

Seconder: Cllr Sue Graham

This Council:

a. remains committed to securing an ambitious devolution deal for Lancashire. A deal that strengthens Lancashire and gives Burnley & Padiham the ability to shape its own future.

a.b. strongly opposes the establishment of a County Combined Authority (CCA) for Lancashire as detailed in the Chancellor of Exchequer Autumn statement and the Lancashire County Council (LCC) consultation documents.

There are **3-4** major areas of deficit in what is being proposed **by the three upper tier authorities in Lancashire** which can be summarised as follows:-

a. It lacks ambition - Lancashire needs a top tier devolution deal if the inequalities and productivity gaps with other regions are to be closed. The deal on offer goes nowhere near achieving what our current and future residents require.

b. It is undemocratic - No directly elected decision makers from large swathes of the County are included resulting in a lack of credibility for the proposed CCA. The democratic deficit is profound with little/no accountability to residents. Residents will not accept faceless unknown individuals making decisions on their behalf who they cannot have their say over at elections.

c. It has inbuilt unfairness - the proposals do not include any references to burden sharing across the County. Currently high deprivation areas in the County take on the biggest burdens when it comes to tackling big national issues. Until this unfairness is addressed residents in deprived areas will not buy in to the ambitions of devolution.

d. It centralises power- the proposals take powers from local communities and gives the CCA the powers to take functions from District Councils without the consent of those Councils. The proposals already gives responsibility for the UKSPF, LEP and Growth Lancashire totally to the CCA all of which previously had direct District Council involvement.

Council directs the Leader/Chief Executive to :

a. respond to the LCC consultation accordingly, and

b. write to the Secretary of State at the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) expressing the Council's strong opposition to the proposals **whilst also stressing that our long held commitment to establish an ambitious Lancashire devolution deal with strong locally based democratic governance remains.-**

Agenda Item 6b

Changes to be made to Committees 6th December 2023

Committee/OB	Qualification	Remove	Appointment
Audit & Standards		Lubna Khan	Mohammed Ishtiaq
		Scott Cunliffe	Alex Hall
Development Control		Joanne Broughton	Lubna Khan
			Alex Hall as named substitute for Martyn Hurt
Licensing Committee		Mohammed Ishtiaq*	Paul Reynolds
		*vacancy for Committee Chair as a result	
		Jackie Inckle	Marcus Johnstone
		Howard Baker	Jeff Sumner
		Scott Cunliffe	Beki Hughes
Scrutiny Committee		Charlie Briggs	Sehrish Lone
		Paul Reynolds	Alex Hall
		Jack Launer	Beki Hughes
		Howard Baker	Gordon Lishman
		Margaret Lishman	Jeff Sumner
Member Structures & Support Working Group		<i>Andy Fewings</i>	Martyn Hurt
		Lubna Khan	Gail Barton
PATROL (parking committee)	Exec Community & Environment	Lubna Khan	Howard Baker
	1 largest opposition	Gordon Birtwistle	Mark Townsend
Burnley Leisure Trust	Non-Executive Member	Scott Cunliffe	Appointment to follow agreed recruitment process. Formal appointment February 2024
Burnley & Pendle CAB	Exec Community & Environment	Lubna Khan	Howard Baker
	Experienced Opposition Member	Jackie Inckle	Mark Townsend
Burnley Private Rented Sector Forum	Exec member for Housing & Leisure	John Harbour	Lubna Khan

Committee/OB	Qualification	Remove	Appointment
Burnley Together Steering Group	Exec Community & Environment	Lubna Khan	Howard Baker
	Chief Operating Officer	Lukman Patel	Rob Dobson
	Head of Policy & Engagement	Rob Dobson	Clare Jackson (from 2 nd January 2024)
COVID-19 Economic Recovery Board	Experienced Opposition Member	Gordon Birtwistle	Sue Graham
East Lancashire Health & Wellbeing Partnership	Exec Member for Health, Culture & Wellbeing* change to qualification following revised portfolios	Lubna Khan	Jack Launer
Growth Lancashire	Exec Member Sustainable Development & Growth	Mark Townsend	Scott Cunliffe
Lancs Waste Partnership	Exec Community & Environment	Lubna Khan	Howard Baker
North West Employers	Exec Resources	Sue Graham	Maggie Lishman
Stocks Massey Bequest	Any Exec Member (May 2023 – 27)	John Harbour	Scott Cunliffe