



EXECUTIVE

BURNLEY TOWN HALL

Wednesday, 16th March, 2022 at 6.30 pm

PRESENT

MEMBERS

Councillors A Anwar (Chair), S Graham (Vice-Chair), B Foster, J Harbour and A Raja

OFFICERS

Mick Cartledge	– Chief Executive
Lukman Patel	– Chief Operating Officer
Howard Hamilton-Smith	– Head of Finance and Property
Clare Jackson	– Housing Manager
Eric Dickinson	– Democracy Officer

98. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Margaret Lishman.

99. Minutes

That the Minutes of the last meeting held on the 14th February 2022 be approved.

100. Additional Items of Business

That additional items of business relating to Exclusion of the Public as Item 8, and regarding Towneley Hall Grant Acceptance as Item 9, be added to the agenda.

101. Housing Renewal Assistance Policy 2022

PURPOSE

To seek a revision to the Private Sector Housing Renewal Policy to provide a wide range of financial assistance which will improve the condition of homes in the Borough.

To introduce a Handyperson service for vulnerable residents in Burnley.

REASON FOR DECISION

To provide a comprehensive range of financial assistance that will help improve living conditions within the Borough and reduce the number of empty homes.

DECISION

- (1) To approve the Housing Renewal Assistance Policy 2022, attached as appendix 1 to this report; and
- (2) To appoint a Handyperson (Grade 8) and acquire the necessary tools and electric van for implementation of the Burnley Handyperson service.

102. Exclusion of the Public

To consider the exclusion of the public from the meeting before discussion takes place on the following item of business regarding Minute 103 (Item 9 Towneley Hall Grant Acceptance) on the grounds that in view of the nature of the business to be transacted if the public were present there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information within the meaning of Part VA of the Local Government Act 1972.

103. Towneley Hall- Grant Acceptance

PURPOSE

To seek approval to accept an offer of grant funding towards the cost of repairs required at Towneley Hall.

During the meeting the Executive thanked Simon Goff for the work done on this item.

REASON FOR DECISION

To accept the grant offer within the timescales set by the funder which will enable essential repairs to be carried out at Towneley Hall.

DECISION

- (1) That the acceptance of an offer of a grant as set out in this report be approved ;and
- (2) That call-in be waived in order to accept the grant prior to the deadline set out in the terms of the funding agreement.

In accordance with and following the requirements set out in Paragraph 15 of Part 4.5 of the constitution regarding the prior agreement provided by the Chair of Scrutiny, it is stated that in the opinion of the Executive this decision is an urgent one and therefore not subject to call-in.