



EXECUTIVE

BURNLEY TOWN HALL

Thursday, 28th July, 2022 at 6.30 pm

PRESENT

MEMBERS

Councillors A Anwar (Chair), S Graham (Vice-Chair), J Harbour, S Hussain, M Lishman and M Townsend

OFFICERS

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| Mick Cartledge | – Chief Executive |
| Lukman Patel | – Chief Operating Officer |
| Kate Ingram | – Strategic Head of Economy and Growth |
| Eric Dickinson | – Democracy Officer |

25. Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on the 14th June 2022 were approved and signed by the Chair.

26. Declaration of Interest

Councillor Margaret Lishman declared an Other (Prejudicial) Interest in Item 7 on the agenda relating to the Shared Prosperity Fund.

Councillor Shah Hussain declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in Item 7 on the agenda relating to the Shared Prosperity Fund.

27. Shared Prosperity Fund

Councillor Margaret Lishman and Councillor Shah Hussain left the room and took no part in this item.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the report is to seek approval of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) Investment Plan for submission to government for approval

REASON FOR DECISION

In May the government issued details of the UKSPF programme including a £3.4m allocation for Burnley. The Council has to submit an Investment Plan no later than the 1st August 2022.

The delegations will enable the council to move swiftly into a delivery phase ensuring that projects deliver and that spend allocations for 22/23 are fully utilised.

Call-in was waived because the deadline for submission of the Investment Plan to the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities is 1st August 2022. Any submissions after that date will not be considered. There is insufficient time for the decision to be called-in prior to the Investment Plan being submitted

DECISION

- (1) That the Investment Plan in Appendix 1 of the report be approved;
- (2) That authority be delegated to the Strategic Head of Economy and Growth, up to the submission date, to make minor changes to the wording or layout of the Investment Plan;
- (3) That authority be delegated to the Strategic Head of Economy and Growth in consultation with the Head of Finance and Property to negotiate and enter into funding agreements with the Government;
- (4) That authority be delegated to the Strategic Head of Economy and Growth in consultation with the Executive Member for Economy and Growth to commission services funded by the UKSPF and to enter into service level agreements with delivery bodies; and
- (5) That call in be waived in order to meet the deadline for submission of the Investment Plan.

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.

28. Exclusion of the Public

Members determined to exclude the public from the meeting before discussion took place on the following item of business relating to Minute 29 regarding the Rough Sleeping Programme 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 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

29. Rough Sleeping Programme

PURPOSE

To seek approval to accept the funding award and establish a rough sleeping accommodation programme in Burnley.

REASON FOR DECISION

To improve the provision of temporary homes in the borough and reduce the risk of rough sleeping.

DECISION

- (1) That acceptance of the capital and revenue grant funding award be approved from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities as set out in this report;
- (2) That the business case and match funding be approved as set out in this report;
- (3) That authority be delegated to the Head of Housing and Development Control in consultation with the Chief Operating Officer (COO) and Head of Finance and Property to agree the terms of the grant with the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and/or Homes England;
- (4) That authority be delegated to the Head of Finance and Property to execute the relevant grant agreement(s);
- (5) That the establishment of a Rough Sleeping Accommodation Programme in Burnley be approved that will involve the initial acquisition and renovation of 6 properties to provide Move-On accommodation for those experiencing homelessness and rough sleeping;
- (6) That authority be delegated to the Head of Housing and Development Control (in consultation with the Executive Member of Housing and Development Control) to put in place all relevant policies and procedures to comply with the requirements of the Regulator of Social Housing;
- (7) That the establishment of the Homelessness Support and Resettlement Worker post be approved as identified in this report;
- (8) That the use of the transformation reserve be approved to cover the residual annual revenue pressure for the Homelessness Support and Resettlement Worker for 2022/23, 2023/24 and recommends to Full Council for the revenue pressure to be built into future annual revenue budgets as part of the Council's MTFS; and
- (9) That authority be delegated to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to execute all remaining documents necessary to give effect to this decision.