

**ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT**

**EXECUTIVE REPORT**



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**PURPOSE**

1. To seek approval to;
  - Re-fresh the Council’s Environmental Enforcement Strategy

**RECOMMENDATION**

2. That the Executive;
  - Approve the amended Environmental Enforcement Strategy (Appendix 1).

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

3. To enable the Council to;
  - Continue to deliver its ‘Clean Burnley’ strategic priorities.
  - Set out the environmental enforcement standards that residents, local businesses and the community can expect across the Borough.

**SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS**

**Background**

4. In 2009 the Executive approved the Council’s Environmental Enforcement Strategy to ensure that fair and robust enforcement was put in place across the town for priority issues including; littering and dog fouling. These issues have remained a priority for the Council. In delivery of the Strategy to date, significant pro-active work and success has been achieved in maintaining the performance and the reputation of the Council in tackling these priority concerns. These activities include;
  - Identifying dedicated resources to create the Littering and Dog Fouling

Enforcement role

- The introduction of targeted hotspots to address resident concerns
- The use of Fixed Penalty notices and publicity campaigns to provide awareness of the issues and to change and challenge behaviour to environmental concerns.

The proposed Strategy re-refresh is an integral theme to the Council achieving the delivery of its Strategic vision and its strategic objectives of Burnley being 'a place of choice' for residents and businesses. The Strategy (Appendix 1) provides the principles for all operational environmental enforcement activity.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION**

5. The strategy will be implemented within existing resources.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

6. The Enforcement Strategy will determine Streetscene's environmental enforcement performance and will be monitored periodically to ensure regulatory requirements continue to be met.

#### **DETAILS OF CONSULTATION**

7. None.

#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

8. None.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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