

## URGENT DELEGATED DECISION BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

## **BURNLEY TOWN HALL**

**PRESENT** 

**OFFICERS** 

Eric Dickinson

Democracy Officer

## 1. BUSINESS RATES RETENTION 2020 to 2021 AND ONWARDS: LANCASHIRE POOL

**Purpose** 

To obtain approval for the Council to join a Lancashire proposal for participation in the Business Rates Retention pools for 2020/21 and future years.

Reason For Decision To seek authority to submit a proposal to establish a Lancashire Business Rates Pool for participation in the Government's Business Rates Retention programme for 2019/20 and future years.

The pool will be required to submit a proposal for 2020/21 by the deadline of 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Future pooling arrangements beyond 2020/21 will be announced by MHCLG accordingly.

Decision

That the Chief Executive uses urgency powers under Part 3 of the constitution as follows:

- (1) To seek authority to join a proposal to establish a Lancashire Business Rates Pool in 2020/21 and future financial years, subject to acceptance by the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (MHCLG;
- (2) To delegate authority to the Head of Finance & Property, in consultation with the Executive member for Resources & Performance Management, to finalise any detail on the Business Pooling proposal and arrangements for 2020/21 and future years and if necessary give notice to withdraw from the Pool at any future point if circumstances indicate this would be appropriate; and.
- (3) That the pool will be required to submit a proposal for 2020/21 by the deadline of 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 i.e. prior to the next Executive on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Future pooling arrangements beyond 2020/21 will be announced by MHCLG accordingly.

The decision is urgent in order to allow the deadline to be met and is therefore not subject to call-in in accordance with Part 4.5 of the constitution.

Decision made by:

Chief Executive

Date:

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