



# URGENT DECISION BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

BURNLEY TOWN HALL

## PRESENT

**OFFICERS** Alison McEwan - Democracy Officer

<b>4.</b>	<b>Establishment of Environmental Health (Compliance) Officer - Streetscene</b>
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### Purpose

To seek approval to establish a temporary Environmental Health (Compliance) Officer for a maximum of 12 months within the Streetscene unit, using the Chief Executive urgency powers under Part 3 of the Constitution (Council/Executive Functions).

### Reason For Decision

The introduction of the NHS Test & Trace system is expected to result in additional pressures to our Environmental Health team. Whilst the detail of the implications are still unclear we anticipate that the team will be required to work with Public Health authorities on the local outbreak management aspect of the new service to manage local COVID-19 outbreaks. The Council must secure the resource quickly in order to ensure it is better placed to meet the Government's requirements.

### Decision

That the Chief Executive in exercise of his urgency powers under Part 3 of the Constitution (Council/Executive Functions):

- Approve the establishment of a post of Environmental Health (Compliance) Officer (21.75 hours per week), Grade 10/11, for a maximum of 12 months.
- Waive recruitment and selection procedures in the interests of urgency/expediency to allow the appointment of a fully competent EHO, with a history of consultancy experience with the Council, to be appointed immediately.

The decision is urgent in order to be able to meet the Government requirement and is therefore not subject to call-in in accordance with Part 4.5 of the constitution.

Decision made by: Chief Executive

*Mark Cottle*

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