

BURNLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL

MECHANICS THEATRE

Wednesday, 13th April, 2022

PRESENT

MEMBERS

His Worshipful The Mayor (Councillor Mark Townsend) in the Chair;

Councillors C Towneley (Vice-Chair), A Anwar, H Baker, G Birtwistle, C Briggs, F Cant, S Chaudhary, T Commis, S Cunliffe, I Emo, D Ferrier, A Fewings, B Foster, S Graham, S Hall, J Harbour, M Hurt, S Hussain, J Inckle, M Ishtiaq, M Johnstone, A Khan, L Khan, W Khan, G Lishman, M Lishman, S Lone, L Mehanna, N Mottershead, A Raja, A Royle, J Sumner and D Whitaker

OFFICERS

Mick Cartledge – Chief Executive

Lukman Patel – Chief Operating Officer

Catherine Waudby – Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Chris Gay – Governance Manager
Alison McEwan – Democracy Officer
Carol Eddleston – Democracy Officer
David Bristow – Mayor's Officer

Dexter Almond – Kickstart Programme Placement

Mark Hindman – Graphic Designer Paul Barlow – Graphic Designer

83 Minutes of the Last Meeting

RESOLVED The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 23rd February

2022 were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

84 Declarations of Interest

The following Members declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in Item 5 c Appointment of Mayor & Deputy Mayor 2022/23;

Councillors Arif Khan, Asif Raja and Cosima Towneley.

85 Mayor's Communications

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The Mayor thanked the following Members who were retiring for their service to the Council; Councillors Paul Campbell, Frank Cant, Bea Foster, Shbana Khan A number of Members paid tribute to the retiring Councillors.

The Mayor also thanked the following current Members who were Election Candidates in May 2022 for their service to the Council;

Councillors Afrasiab Anwar, Gordon Lishman, Ivor Emo, Gordon Birtwistle, Shah Hussain, Neil Mottershead, Tom Commis, Sue Graham, Jeff Sumner, Andy Fewings, Dale Ferrier.

86 Public Question Time

Jennifer Braddock addressed the Council under the Right To Speak policy regarding fly tipping, traffic problems, and alleygating in the Queensgate area.

87 Council Tax Rebate and Discretionary Fund

With reference to Minute 110 of the Executive (6th April 2022) Members considered a scheme for the Council Tax Rebate and Discretionary Fund.

IT WAS RESOLVED

That a budget for £113,585 be approved to fund the administration of the scheme, which will be met from new burdens funding.

88 Pennine Lancashire Building Control - Withdrawal from Joint Agreement

With reference to Minute 111 of the Executive (6th April 2022) Members considered the withdrawal from a Joint Agreement for Pennine Lancashire Building Control (PLBC). Following an Alteration of the Motion according to CPR 14.7, the following words were added at the end of the Motion:

"....once the exit arrangements for the PLBC Partnership Agreements have been completed"

IT WAS RESOLVED

That the PLBC constitution be removed from Burnley Council's constitution (currently Part 3 Appendix B 2 d) once the exit arrangements for the PLBC Partnership Agreements have been completed.

89 Appointment of Mayor and Deputy Mayor 2022/23

Councillors Arif Khan, Asif Raja and Cosima Towneley left the meeting during this item.

Members considered a report on the Appointment of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2022/23 Municipal Year.

IT WAS RESOLVED

That the report on the Appointment of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2022/23 be noted.

90 Constitutional Updates

Members considered a report on constitutional updates.

IT WAS RESOLVED

- (1) That the waiver of call in granted relating to an urgent decision (Executive Functions) taken by the Executive on 16 March 2022 (Minute to follow as Appendix 1) relating to Towneley Hall Grant Acceptance be noted;
- (2) That Part 3 (Council Functions) Scheme of Delegation relating to the Licensing Committee and the Head of Streetscene be amended to include various delegations regarding the Licensing Act 2003, and that the already established LA 2003 Licensing Sub Committee be formally added to Part 3 Council Functions) with its functions under Licensing Committee, as set out in Para 11 of the report; and
- (3) That the proposed withdrawal from the Joint Agreement of Pennine Lancashire Building Control by the Executive, and accordingly its removal from Part 3 of the Council's constitution at the relevant time, be noted.

91 Reports from Committee Chairs

IT WAS RESOLVED

That the reports from the Committee Chairs of Scrutiny, Audit and Standards, and Licensing be noted.

92 Strategic Plan Progress Reports

IT WAS RESOLVED

That the Strategic Plan Progress Reports of Executive Members be noted.