

Burnley Market Rights Policy Review

REPORT to Executive



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PURPOSE

1) At its meeting on 26th October 2022 the Executive approved a revised Markets Rights Policy and schedule of fees. The purpose of this report is for members to note a clarification regarding when and where the council is permitted to operate markets and to consider an amendment to the policy document which makes clear the qualifying conditions and criteria for applying for a licence.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2) It is recommended that the Executive
 - i) note that the Council is permitted to operate markets on any day of the week, including Sundays and Bank Holidays;
 - ii) approve the changes to the policy document.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3) The report to the Executive meeting on 26th October stated that the Council was permitted to operate markets each day of the week 'except for Sunday and Christmas Day etc'. In fact, due to the repeal of the Sunday trading laws, the Council can operate markets on any day of the week if it wishes to.
- 4) The revised policy makes clear the conditions for applying for a licence. The proposed changes are highlighted in underline and strikeout in the attached policy at Appendix A.

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

- 5) Due to the repeal of the Sunday trading laws, the council can operate markets each day of the week if it so wishes and can change the location of its markets or add a day such as Sundays and Bank Holidays and as such gives Burnley Council the associated powers to preserve the Market Rights that accompany it.
- 6) The revised policy clarifies the conditions and criteria for applications.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6) The proposals support the Council's Strategic Objectives on Economy and Growth, supporting the development of the borough's town centres.

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION

7) None

BACKGROUND PAPERS

8) None

FURTHER INFORMATION

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