



BURNLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

BURNLEY TOWN HALL

Wednesday, 22nd October 2008

PRESENT

MEMBERS

Her Worshipful The Mayor (Councillor Ida Carmichael) in the Chair;

Councillors Zahir Ahmed, Francis Ashworth, Howard Baker, Bill Bennett, Gordon Birtwistle, Charlie Briggs, Lynne Briggs, Bill Brindle, Charlie Bullas, Julie Cooper, Derek Dawson, Peter Doyle, Roger Frost, Jonathon Gilbert, John Harbour, Karen Heseltine, Michael Heys, Bernard Hill, Imtaiz Hussain, John Jones, Arif Khan, Wajid Khan, Anthony Lambert, Margaret Lishman, Mohammed Malik, Darren Reynolds, Paul Reynolds, Martin Smith, Len Starr, David Thomson, Cosima Towneley, Linda White and Sharon Wilkinson.

OFFICERS

Steve Rumbelow	- Chief Executive
Mike Cook	- Director of Regeneration & Housing
Tom Forshaw	- Head of Chief Executive's Office
David Wilcock	- Head of People and Law
Ruth Wynn	- Democracy Manager
Jeremy Richards	- Public Relations Officer
Eric Dickinson	- Democracy Officer
David Farrar	- Mayor's Officer
David Bristow	- Deputy Mayor's Officer

41. [Minutes](#)

RESOLVED The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 3rd September 2008 were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

42. **Notice of Motion**

It was moved by Councillor John Jones and seconded by Councillor Gordon Birtwistle:

“That all trees to be cut down that are covered by a Tree Preservation Order are dealt with as follows, where consistent with the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990:

The tree will have to be replaced. Provided that there is sufficient space, a Tree Officer will decide what species of tree is to replace the one cut down, keeping as near in eventual size and species of the original tree as far as possible.

It is proposed that in future the procedure be extended so that the new tree will be subject to the following:

It would be examined annually for a minimum of three years (instead of the current limit of three months) by a Tree Officer. If the tree dies within the three year period, that tree will be replaced and the new tree will in turn be subject to the same rules.”

On being put to the vote, the motion was approved and it was **RESOLVED** Accordingly

43. [Procurement of Capital Accounting Software](#)

With reference to Minute No. 79 of the Executive (September 2008) consideration was given to the establishment of a budget within the Capital Programme for the procurement of Capital Accounting Software.

RESOLVED That approval be given to the establishment of a budget of £20,700 within the Capital Programme for the current year in order to finance the procurement of Capital Accounting Software, and reduce the existing budget provision for Office Accommodation by an equivalent amount.

44. [Accommodation Strategy 2008/09 - Baseline Study and Implementation Plan](#)

This item was withdrawn from the Agenda.

45. [Revenue Budget Monitoring 2008/09 - Cycle 2](#)

With reference to Minute No. 99 of the Executive (October 2008) consideration was given to the latest position of Revenue Spending and Income for 2008/09 including variations from the approved Revenue Budget.

RESOLVED That approval be given to the net increase in budgets funding form earmarked reserves as shown in Appendix 3 to the Report now submitted.

46. [Medium Term Strategy - Use of Earmarked Reserves](#)

This item was withdrawn from the Agenda.

47. [Capital Budget Monitoring 2008/09](#)

With reference to Minute No. 101 of the Executive (October 2008) consideration was given to a report outlining the revised Capital Budget.

RESOLVED That approval be given to the revised Capital Budget totalling £26,502,693 as outlined in Appendix 1 to the Report now submitted.

48. Government Connect

With reference to Minute No. 98 of the Executive (October 2008), consideration was given to an additional item of Capital Expenditure for the use of Government Connect.

RESOLVED That approval be given to an additional item of Capital Expenditure in the 2008/09 Capital Programme of £41,950 partly funded from use of Local Housing Allocation (LHA) Grant of £20,000 and reallocation of part of the PC Replacement Funding Programme of £9,000.

49. Amendment to Part 3 of the Council's Constitution

Consideration was given to an amendment of Part 3 of the Council's Constitution.

RESOLVED That approval be given to the addition of the following to the Terms of Reference of the Audit Committee:-

To review and monitor Council activities relating to Value for Money.

50. Appointments to Outside Bodies 2008/09

Consideration was given to a report outlining various changes to the Outside Body List for 2008/09.

- RESOLVED**
- (1) That approval be given to the addition of 4NW Sustainable Economic Development Group as an new Outside Body;
 - (2) That approval be given to the appointment of the Executive Member for Regeneration to the 4NW Sustainable Economic Development by qualification for the remainder of the 2008/09 Municipal Year;
 - (3) That Councillor Howard Baker be appointed to the Calico Board of Management for the remainder of the 2008/09 Municipal Year;
 - (4) That Burnley Acorn Fund be added to the list of Outside Bodies and Councillors Roger Frost, Bill Brindle and Julie Cooper be appointed as non-qualification Members together with the Director of Resources for the remainder of the 2008/09 Municipal Year; and
 - (5) That the Fairtrade Development Group be added to the Council's List of Outside Bodies and the Executive Member having Portfolio responsibility for the Town Centre Partnership be appointed by qualification to this Group for the remainder of the 2008/09 Municipal Year.

51. Strategic Plan Progress Reports and Minutes to Committees

RESOLVED That the Strategic Plan Progress Reports and the Minutes of the Meeting of the following Committees held on the dates shown be received and the decisions contained in them be noted.

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Date</u>
The Executive	23 rd September 2008
The Executive	14 th October 2008
Development Control	11 th September 2008
Development Control	2 nd October 2008
Licensing	10 th September 2008
Better Services	30 th September 2008
Economy	9 th October 2008
Leadership and Community	13 th October 2008
Environment and Housing	1 st October 2008
Environment and Housing	13 th October 2008
Audit	25 th September 2008
Standards	30 th September 2008

52. Exclusion of the Public

RESOLVED That the Public be excluded from the meeting before discussion takes place on the following items of business on the grounds that in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, if the Public were present there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information within the meaning of Part VA of the Local Government Act 2972.

<u>Minute No.</u>	<u>Relevant Description</u>
53	Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).

53. Prairie Playing Fields: Five-a-side Soccer Development

With reference to [Minute No. 84](#) of the Executive (September 2008) consideration was given to the proposed project at Prairie Playing Fields.

RESOLVED That approval be given to the contribution of £100,000 from the Council towards the overall cost of the Scheme.