



BURNLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

BURNLEY TOWN HALL

Thursday 10th April 2014

PRESENT

MEMBERS

His Worshipful The Mayor (Councillor Frank Cant) in the Chair;

Councillors Baker, Birtwistle, Briggs, Brindle, Brown, Bullas, Campbell, Carmichael, Chaudhary, Cooper, Cunningham, Fifield, Foster, Frost, Harbour, Harrison, Heginbotham, Hussain, Isherwood, Johnstone, Kelly, Kennedy, Wajid Khan, Arif Khan, Large, Lishman, Martin, McCann, Monk, Mottershead, Newhouse, Pate, Reynolds, Royle, Stringer, Sumner, Tatchell, and Townsend

OFFICERS

Steve Rumbelow	-	Chief Executive
Mick Cartledge	-	Director of Community Services
Tom Forshaw		Head of Chief Executive's Office
David Wilcock	-	Head of People, Law and Regulation
Jeremy Richards	-	Communications Officer
Imelda Grady	-	Democracy Officer
Eric Dickinson	-	Democracy Officer
David Farrar	-	Mayors Officer

70. Minutes

RESOLVED That subject to an amendment to record the attendance of Councillor Marcus Johnstone, the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 26th February 2014 were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

71. Public Question Time

Mr Charles Oakes addressed the Council under the Request to Speak Policy on Hackney Carriage Age Limits.

72. Amendments to Hackney Carriage Conditions of Fitness Policy

Consideration was given to amendments to the Council's Hackney Carriage Conditions of Fitness Policy and to the Hackney Carriage Age Limits Policy.

RESOLVED (1) That subject to a correction as set out in Licensing Committee Minute 57 (20th March 2014 refers) that in paragraph 19 table 1 of Appendix A to the report the Council's proposal in brackets regarding the maximum age for first

registration was 4 years not 5 years, as a Policy document The Burnley Borough Council – Hackney Carriages: Conditions of Fitness as detailed in Appendix A be adopted, incorporating a revised age limits standard, and a new ‘exceptional’ condition criteria for vehicles above the 10 year age limit; and

(2) That the 3 strikes policy be deleted.

73. Recorded Votes at Budget Meetings

Consideration was given to a change to the Council’s Procedure Rules to require recorded votes at budget setting Council meetings.

RESOLVED That the Council Procedure Rules be changed to comply with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, which makes it a requirement to have a recorded vote at budget Council meetings.

74. Review of Standing Orders for Contracts

Consideration was given to changes to the Council’s Standing Orders for Contracts.

RESOLVED That the revised Standing Orders for Contracts (SOC) be approved as Appendix 2 to the report, comprising the following;

- a) That the SOC be revised as highlighted in this report and detailed at Appendix 1; and
- b) That the Executive approval threshold be increased from £50,000 to £100,000, and that the lower level thresholds be increased in line with this.

75. Strategic Plan Progress Reports

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