

## Burnham Policy Differences versus Labour 2024 Manifesto

<b>Policy Area</b>	<b>Labour 2024 Manifesto</b>	<b>Burnham Position</b>
<b>Economic Strategy</b>	Growth through stability, planning reform, industrial strategy and private investment	More interventionist state, stronger regional investment and greater willingness to reshape economic structures
<b>Devolution</b>	Further devolution where practical, existing framework retained	Major transfer of powers from Westminster to city regions and local government
<b>Constitutional Reform</b>	Limited Lords reform and constitutional tidying	More ambitious programme of constitutional change and decentralisation
<b>Taxation</b>	No wealth tax, no major new property taxes, emphasis on fiscal restraint	More open to wealth taxation, land value taxation and new mechanisms to fund public services
<b>Public Ownership</b>	Selective public ownership (rail), partnership with private sector elsewhere	Greater public control of utilities and infrastructure, stronger regulation where ownership remains private
<b>Housing</b>	Planning reform and private housebuilding to increase supply	Larger role for councils and local authorities in housing delivery and development
<b>Education &amp; Skills</b>	Skills England, technical education, curriculum reform	Stronger focus on vocational education and local labour-market needs
<b>Regional Development</b>	National industrial strategy	Explicit "Manchesterism": economic power shifted away from London and Whitehall
<b>Public Services</b>	Reform existing systems to improve efficiency	Greater local control over delivery and service design
<b>Political Style</b>	Centralised, managerial, cautious	Decentralised, activist, localist