

**OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE NEW
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS, BURNLEY
1ST SEPTEMBER 2008 AT 11.00AM**

Madam Mayoress, Councillors, Directors, Ladies and Gentlemen.

Thank you for inviting the Mayoress and myself to Officially Open the New Starboard Hotels Ltd, Holiday Inn Express, Burnley.

I must declare that the launch of the new hotel is a very exciting prospect for the company and the Borough of Burnley. Tourism and Leisure is an industry, which covers a wide range of academic and social skills, and the launch of the new hotel will create jobs and opportunities for people of ages.

On behalf of everyone present may I thank Starboard Hotels Ltd for choosing Burnley as the location for their new Holiday Inn Express. We are pleased that Burnley can now offer visitors and business people modern and stylish accommodation, with easy access from the motorway.

May I wish Starboard Hotels Ltd every success and it gives me great pleasure to unveil the plaque and to declare the New Holiday Inn Express Open.

Thank you.