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17<sup>th</sup> June 2025

#### **COUNCIL MEETING**

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL
to be held at the COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES,
DRAKE ROAD, TAVISTOCK
on TUESDAY 24th JUNE, 2025 at 6.30pm

Prior to the Commencement of the Meeting there will be an opportunity at

# **6.25pm** - for Members and the Public

Those who wish to do so may prepare themselves for the Meeting by a few moments of Quiet Reflection led by David Palmer of Tavistock Area Christians Together (TACT).

# COMMENCEMENT OF THE COUNCIL MEETING THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSACTED

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive disclosures of unregistered or other interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the Meeting. The disclosure shall include the nature of the interest. If a Member becomes aware, during the course of a Meeting, of an interest that has not been disclosed under this item they must immediately disclose it.

Under the Code of Conduct Councillors with a registerable interest must leave the room for the duration of consideration of the item to which the interest relates. Those with a 'other' interest must apply the tests set out in the Code of Conduct as to whether or not there are circumstances that might enable them to remain.

#### 3. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

- a) To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of Tavistock Town Council held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 (enclosed);
- b) Matters arising.

### 4. PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS & QUESTIONS\*

To receive any representations or previously submitted questions from Members of the Public in attendance and submitted in accordance with Standing Order No 3(y). \*None received.

# ITEMS REQUIRING A DECISION

### 5. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

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- i) receive and review the Tavistock Town Council Year End Internal Audit Report 2024/25 (including the document titled 'Annual Internal Audit Report 2024/25' enclosed) and discharge the obligations of the Authority to review the effectiveness of the System of Internal Control for Tavistock Town Council for the year ended 31st March, 2025.
- ii) consider, prepare and approve the Annual Governance Statement (titled 'Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2024/25' enclosed).

#### 6. ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS

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- i) Consider and approve the Accounting Statements for Tavistock Town Council for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2025 (titled 'Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2024/25 – enclosed) in the prescribed manner.
- ii) Agree arrangements for the period for the exercise of public rights: 26<sup>th</sup> June-6<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

**Note** in relation to the foregoing, and to the prior Agenda item:-

- The Annual Governance Statement is completed at the Meeting;
- A copy of the unaudited Financial Statements for the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 was previously circulated – these do not form part of the statutory return;
- Should there be any matters which might require a more detailed response Members are asked to pass them to the Town Clerk in advance of the Meeting.

#### 7. GENERAL FINANCE

- a) Schedule of Payments to consider and endorse the Monthly Accounts as at 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2025 (schedules of all payments are listed on the Website);
- b) **Budget Monitoring Report** to consider and endorse the phased Budget Monitoring Report as at 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2025 (enclosed).

Note – Should Members have any detailed questions concerning any payments or other financial matters they should be passed to the Internal Auditor or the General Office well in advance of the Meeting in order that enquiries may be undertaken and an informed response prepared.

#### 8. BUDGET & POLICY COMMITTEE

To consider the Minutes of the Meeting of the Budget & Policy Committee held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 (enclosed).

#### Note: -

- i) Members are requested to bring to the Meeting the Agenda and associated documents relating to the foregoing Meeting.
- ii) Should further deliberations be required on any of the matters arising as appertain to matters subject to the 'Exclusion of the Press & Public' addressed at the above Meeting it will be necessary to take same in the corresponding section of this Agenda.

# 9. DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT & LICENSING COMMITTEE (DM&L)

To receive and consider the Minutes of the Meetings of the Development Management & Licensing Committee held on:

- i) Development Management & Licensing Committee Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2025 (previously circulated);
- ii) Development Management & Licensing Committee Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2025 (to follow).

#### ITEMS CIRCULATED FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The following items are circulated for information only:

#### 10. SERVICE REPORTS

To receive, for information, the following Service Reports:-

- i. General Manager's Report (to follow);
- ii. Pannier Market Report (enclosed);
- iii. Works Department Report (enclosed);
- iv. Town Hall & Butchers' Hall Report (enclosed).

### 11. FINANCE & OTHER MATTERS

To receive, for information, the following:-

- a) Report of the Assistant to the Town Clerk (enclosed);
- b) Notes of the Town Hall & Markets Consultative Group Meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 (to follow);
- c) West Devon Borough Council Report report of Borough Councillor Mrs D Sellis (enclosed);
- d) To receive:-
  - Any update from, or questions to, Council representatives serving on other outside bodies in connection with the work of those bodies;
  - ii. Feedback from Members following their attendance at any training sessions.

Note – no County Councillor report had been received from County Councillor D Sellis (Devon County Council).

# 12. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS AS MAY BE SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN MAYOR

# 13. URGENT MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TOWN MAYOR

### **EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC**

# 14. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted to consider that the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting for the following items of business.

# CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS REQUIRING A DECISION

# 15. BUDGET & POLICY COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

(**CONFIDENTIAL** by virtue of relating to legal and/or commercial matters, staffing and/or the financial or business affairs of a person or persons other than the Council)

To consider any Confidential Minutes of the Meeting of the Budget & Policy Committee held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 (enclosed).

# 16. PROPERTY, LEGAL & FINANCE MATTERS

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#### i) **DEBTORS' REPORT**

To consider the Report of the Assistant to the Town Clerk (enclosed) in connection with the above, and determine any matters arising.

# CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS CIRCULATED FOR INFORMATION ONLY 17. PROPERTY, LEGAL, INSURANCE & FINANCE MATTERS

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### i) LANDLORD & TENANT MATTERS

To receive any oral update in connection with lease renewal/ ancillary matters or in connection with outstanding legal, contract or property matters not previously listed (for information only).

Re-admission of the Press & Public.

**NOTE** – Councillors are reminded that if a matter has not been specified on the Agenda no formally binding decision can be made on it.

### **COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP**

Councillor S Hipsey (Mayor)
Councillor Mrs A Johnson (Deputy Mayor)
Councillors R Edlmann, Ms M Ewings, Mrs J Hughes, A Hutton, A Lewis,
N Martin, Mrs B Moody, J Moody, T Munro, G Parker, R Poppe, B Smith,
A Venning, P Ward.

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Televised, vision and sound recordings or live broadcastings by members of the press or public at Council or Committee debates are permitted and anyone wishing to do so is asked to inform the Chairman of the respective Committee of their intention to record proceedings.

If members of the public make a representation to the Meeting, they will be deemed to have consented to being filmed and audio recorded. By entering the body of the Chamber, attendees are also consenting to being filmed and audio recorded.

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\*Members of the Public who wish to address the Council are requested to contact the Council Office either by phone 01822 613529, or by e-mailing <a href="mailto:info@tavistock.gov.uk">info@tavistock.gov.uk</a> regarding the necessary requirements for participation not less than 24 hours in advance of the Meeting.