



Tavistock Town Council

Working for the local community

Town Council Offices
Drake Road Tavistock
Devon PL19 0AU
Tel 01822 613529
Fax 01822 618300
E-mail: info@tavistock.gov.uk
www.tavistock.gov.uk

15th July 2025

Dear Councillor

I hereby give you notice that a Meeting of the **BUDGET & POLICY COMMITTEE** will be held on **TUESDAY 22nd JULY, 2025** at **6.30pm** in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, DRAKE ROAD, TAVISTOCK.**

Should Members of the Committee have any detailed questions concerning any financial matters, or the accompanying reports, they should be passed to the General Office sufficiently in advance of the Meeting in order that enquiries may be undertaken and an informed response prepared.

Yours sincerely

Carl Hearn
TOWN CLERK

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

Councillor Mrs A Johnson	Chairman & Deputy Mayor – ex officio
Councillor J Moody	Vice Chairman
Councillor S Hipsey	Mayor – ex officio

Councillor P Ward	Immediate Past Mayor – ex officio
-------------------	--

Councillors Ms M Ewings, R Poppe, B Smith.

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
To receive any apologies for absence.
- 2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**
To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Budget & Policy Committee held on Tuesday 10th June, 2025 (previously circulated).
- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
To receive any Declarations of Interest.

ITEMS CIRCULATED FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION & DEVOLUTION

To consider whether, and if so how, to respond to the West Devon Borough Council short resident survey in connection with the above.

Please view the survey at: <https://www.westdevon.gov.uk/>

Note: Members can, should they so wish, respond in a private capacity.

5. SIGNAGE

To consider whether to endorse correspondence received in connection with an initiative regarding the above proposed to be undertaken by Tavistock and District Chamber of Commerce (enclosed) – for more information see also

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-brown-tourist-signs-on-roads-the-highways-agency-manage>

ITEMS CIRCULATED FOR INFORMATION ONLY

6. OTHER MEETINGS

a. HERITAGE ALLIANCE GROUP

To receive the Notes of the Heritage Alliance Meeting held on 4th June, 2025 (enclosed).

b. GOOSE FAIR OPERATIONAL MEETING

To receive the Notes of the Goose Fair Operational Meeting held on 26th June, 2025 (enclosed).

7. TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL – VACANCY NORTH WARD

To note that the Returning Officer reports that an election has been called to fill the Councillor vacancy for the Tavistock Town Council. North Ward. It is understood an election is scheduled to take place on Thursday 4th September, 2025 (Note, should the election be contested, poll cards have been requested in accordance with Council policy).

8. REMOTE ATTENDANCE & PROXY VOTING

To receive, for information only, the outcome of the Government consultation in connection with the above and anticipated next steps by it:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/enabling-remote-attendance-and-proxy-voting-at-local-authority-meetings/outcome/remote-attendance-and-proxy-voting-in-local-authorities-consultation-results-and-government-response#conclusion-and-next-steps>

9. URGENT BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Matters which the Chairman decides are urgent and the reasons relating thereto. Councillors are reminded that if a matter has not been specified on the Agenda no formally binding decision can be taken on it.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

10. 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 associated item(s) of business.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

11. OUTCOME OF THE RE-TENDERING OF UTILITIES

(**CONFIDENTIAL** - by virtue of relating to matters of a legal, financial, staffing or contractual nature and/or affecting persons other than the Council)

To consider the confidential report of the General Manager, and associated next steps, in connection with the above (to follow).

12. MOLLY OWEN CENTRE

(**CONFIDENTIAL** - by virtue of relating to matters of a legal, financial, staffing or contractual nature and/or affecting persons other than the Council)

To consider the confidential preliminary report of the General Manager in connection with the options for the future usage of the detached unit at The Molly Owen Centre (to follow).

13. ADJUSTMENT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT

(**CONFIDENTIAL** - by virtue of relating to matters of a legal, financial, staffing or contractual nature and/or affecting persons other than the Council)

To consider the confidential report of the Town Clerk in connection with the above (enclosed)

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

14. CORRESPONDENCE FROM A LICENSEE

(**CONFIDENTIAL** - by virtue of relating to matters of a legal, financial, staffing or contractual nature and/or affecting persons other than the Council)

To note/receive, for information, copy correspondence received in connection with the above from Tavi-Helps and previously distributed by the correspondent to all Members of Council in their individual capacity (enclosed).

15. TENANCY OR STAFFING MATTER(S)

(**CONFIDENTIAL** - by virtue of relating to matters of a legal, financial, staffing or contractual nature and/or affecting persons other than the Council)

To receive any oral update on tenancy, insurance or staffing matters, and consider any next steps as/if necessary.

USE OF TELEVISED & SOUND RECORDINGS AT COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Televised, vision and sound recordings or live broadcastings by Members of the Press or Public at Council or Committee debates they are entitled to attend are permitted and anyone wishing to do so is asked to inform the Chairman of the respective Meeting of their intention to record proceedings.