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Dear Councillor

I hereby give you notice that a Meeting of the **BUDGET & POLICY COMMITTEE** will be held on **TUESDAY 2nd DECEMBER, 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

Councillor J Moody

Councillor S Hipsey

Chairman & Deputy Mayor – ex officio

Vice Chairman

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 21st October, 2025 (previously circulated).

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any Declarations of Interest.

ITEMS CIRCULATED FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

4. BUDGET PREPARATION & PRECEPT SETTING 2026-2027

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

5. EQUIPMENT (VEHICLE/PLANT) REPLACEMENT: EARMARKED RESERVE

To consider the Report of the Works Manager in connection with the above and requested expenditure (enclosed).

6. GRANTS TO THE COMMUNITY

To receive and consider the Notes of the Meeting of the Grants Panel held on 12th November, 2025 which include recommendations for the award of Grants payable in the 2026-27 Civic Year (enclosed).

7. GOOSE FAIR-INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2025 & ASSOCIATED GRANT

To consider the Report of the Office and Finance Manager in connection with the above (enclosed).

8. MARKET SERVICES - MARQUEES

To consider the report of the Market Reeve in connection with the above (enclosed).

ITEMS CIRCULATED FOR INFORMATION ONLY

9. PENNON SHARE HOLDING

To annually note the holding of the Council 593 in respect of shares held in Pennon Group PLC.

10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION IN DEVON

To receive any oral update in connection with the above

NOTE various emerging BID documents are available at:

[\(Public Pack\)Local Government Reorganisation \(A Case for Devon\) - Council Consultation Agenda Supplement for Council, 14/11/2025 10:00](#)

[Home | Reimagining Devon](#)

[Agenda for Council on Tuesday 25th November 2025, 6.00 pm - Exeter City Council](#)

[Local Government Reorganisation - Final Proposal | PLYMOUTH.GOV.UK](#)

By the time of this Budget and Policy Meeting it is anticipated that the number and content of 'final' Bids, as submitted to the Secretary of State, will be in the public domain.

11. ARBORICULTURAL MATTERS – COMMUNICATIONS

To receive an oral update from the General Manager in connection with the above.

12. 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

13. 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

14. STAFFING – CONTINGENCY PROVISION

(**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 report of the General Manager in respect of the above (enclosed).

15. FLEXIBLE RETIREMENT REQUEST

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To consider the report of the Town Clerk in respect of the above (enclosed).

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

16. 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.