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# AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL MATTERS COMMITTEE

# MONDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2024 AT 6.30PM IN THE GUILDHALL

There are stairs to the Council Chamber but if any member of the public has mobility issues the Council can relocate to the lower Guildhall.

You are hereby SUMMONED to attend the **Council Matters Committee** on **Monday 14th October 2024**

**at 6.30pm** in the Guildhall for the purpose of transacting the following business:

**Committee Members:** Councillors D Peters (Chair), C Beavis, T Bennett, J Chinnock, J Hannam, E Price and T Robshaw.

# 1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair will read out the following statement:

Welcome to everyone attending and observing the meeting.

A reminder that open proceedings of this meeting will be video recorded. If members of the public make presentations, they will be deemed to have consented to being recorded. By entering the Council Chamber attendees are also consenting to being recorded.

This meeting is limited to 90 minutes and therefore members are asked to raise their points succinctly and not repeat the same view expressed by colleagues if it does not add to the debate.

To receive apologies and to confirm that any absence has the approval of the Council.

*The Committee will adjourn for the following items:*

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A period of 15 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make comment regarding the work of the Committee or other items that affect Totnes.

*The Committee will convene to consider the following items:*

# 2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

To approve the minutes of 14th October 2024 and update on any matters arising. Document attached.

**3. BUDGET MONITOR**

To consider the Budget Monitor including:

1. the reserves projection; and
2. allocation of unallocated Strategic Priorities Budget.

**4. COUNCILLOR USE OF PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT POLICY**

To consider a policy covering Councillor use of Council premises and equipment. Document attached.

**5. TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

To consider the transfer of funds into the Council’s saving accounts. Document attached.

**6. MHCLG CONSULTATION ON REMOTE MEETINGS**

To consider the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government consultation on ‘Enabling remote attendance and proxy voting at local authority meetings’ and make any recommendation to Full Council (deadline 19th December). Document attached and see [Enabling remote attendance and proxy voting at local authority meetings - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/enabling-remote-attendance-and-proxy-voting-at-local-authority-meetings?utm_campaign=Chief%2Bexecutive%2527s%2Bbulletin%2B-%2B25%2BOctober%2B2024%2B%2528Special%2Bedition%2529&utm_medium=email)

**7. DISCIPLINE POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

To review the Discipline Policy and Procedure. Document attached.

**8. GRIEVANCE POLICY**

To review the Grievance Policy. Document attached.

# 9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note the date of the next meeting of the Council Matters Committee – Monday 9th December 2024 at 6.30pm in the Guildhall. No document.

*The Committee will be asked to* ***RESOLVE*** *to exclude the press and public “by reason of the confidential nature of the business” to be discussed and in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. (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)*

# 10. BANK STATEMENTS AND RECONCILIATIONS (Standing Item)

To consider the bank statements and reconciliations for October (financial). Documents attached.

# 11. CLOSE CIRCUIT TELEVISION AT THE CIVIC HALL

# To consider quotes for the installation of CCTV at the Civic Hall. Document attached.

# 12. DEVON HIGHWAYS

To consider how to challenge Devon Highways on the pavement width required for accessibility legislation (legal). Document attached.

# 13. STAFFING UPDATE

For any general or urgent updates that required confidential sharing with Councillors (staffing). Verbal update.

Catherine Marlton

Town Clerk

6th November 2024

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