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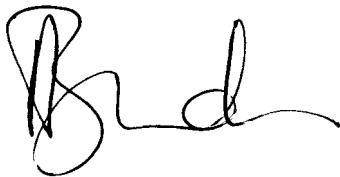
## **Meeting of the Council**

Dear Member

I am pleased to invite you to attend a meeting of Torbay Council which will be held in **The Burdette Room, Riviera International Conference Centre, Chestnut Avenue, Torquay, TQ2 5LZ** on **Thursday, 5 December 2024** commencing at **5.30 pm**

The items to be discussed at this meeting are attached.

Yours sincerely,



Anne-Marie Bond  
Chief Executive

(All members are summoned to attend the meeting of the Council in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1972 and Standing Orders A5.)

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# Meeting of the Council Agenda

1. **Opening of meeting**

2. **Apologies for absence**

3. **Minutes**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 12 September 2024.

(Pages 5 - 12)

4. **Declarations of interests**

- (a) To receive declarations of non pecuniary interests in respect of items on this agenda

**For reference:** Having declared their non pecuniary interest members may remain in the meeting and speak and, vote on the matter in question. A completed disclosure of interests form should be returned to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.

- (b) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of items on this agenda

**For reference:** Where a Member has a disclosable pecuniary interest he/she must leave the meeting during consideration of the item. However, the Member may remain in the meeting to make representations, answer questions or give evidence if the public have a right to do so, but having done so the Member must then immediately leave the meeting, may not vote and must not improperly seek to influence the outcome of the matter. A completed disclosure of interests form should be returned to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.

**(Please Note:** If Members and Officers wish to seek advice on any potential interests they may have, they should contact Governance Support or Legal Services prior to the meeting.)

5. **Communications**

To receive any communications or announcements from the:

- Civic Mayor, including the presentation of long service awards to Councillors and staff;
- Leader of the Council;
- Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordinator; or
- Chief Executive.

6. **Petitions**

To receive petitions and any oral representations from the public in accordance with Standing Order A23 as set out below:-

(Pages 13 - 14)

Stop the Closure of Torquay Pitch and Putt

7. **Public question time** (Pages 15 - 18)  
To hear and respond to any written questions or statements from members of the public which have been submitted in accordance with Standing Order A24.
8. **Members' questions** (Pages 19 - 26)  
To respond to the submitted questions asked under Standing Order A12.
9. **Notice of motions**  
To consider the attached motions, notice of which has been given in accordance with Standing Order A13 by the members indicated:
- (a) Appointment of Chairs, Overview and Co-ordinator and Scrutiny Leads (Pages 27 - 28)
- (b) Strengthening of Shadow Cabinet (Pages 29 - 30)
10. **Review of Council Tax Support Scheme 2025/26** (Pages 31 - 64)  
To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet and a report that provides an overview of the current Council Tax Support scheme and the proposed changes for the financial year 2025/26.
11. **Council Tax Base 2025/26** (To Follow)  
To consider a report on the above.
12. **Budget Monitoring 2024/25 - April to September 2024 Revenue and Capital Outturn Forecast** (Pages 65 - 84)  
To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet and a report that provides a high-level budget summary of the Council's revenue and capital position for the financial year 2024/25, reviewing budgets and considering year-end forecasts.
13. **Paignton Picture House** (Pages 85 - 164)  
To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet and a report that sets out the required action by Cabinet and Council to form a tripartite partnership between Torbay Council, Arts Council England and Paignton Picture House Trust to deliver the full restoration of Paignton Picture House as part of the regeneration of Paignton Town Centre.
14. **Union Square Land Assembly** (Pages 165 - 180)  
To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet and a report that seeks to enable commencement of preparations for a possible Compulsory Purchase Order process for the redevelopment of Union Square shopping centre and surrounding properties.
15. **Strand Redevelopment - Land Assembly** (Pages 181 - 194)  
To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet and a report that sets out the required action by Council to enable commencement of preparations for a possible Compulsory Purchase Order process for the redevelopment of The Strand (7-14 The Strand Formerly

Debenhams Site and 43/45/47/55/57/59 The Terrace) and surrounding properties.

- 16. Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy** (Pages 195 - 232)  
To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet and a report that outlines the feedback from the consultation on the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy and the amendments undertaken to produce the final strategy prior to its approval.
- 17. Gambling Act 2005 - Statement of Principles (Gambling Policy) 2025 - 2028** (Pages 233 - 316)  
To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet and a report that seeks approval of the Statement of Principles (Gambling Policy) 2025 – 2028.
- 18. Review of Political Balance** (Pages 317 - 332)  
To consider a report that sets out a review of the political balance of the Council to ensure places on Committees and Working Parties are allocated in accordance with the relevant statutory and Constitutional requirements.
- 19. Review of Parliamentary Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations 2024** (Pages 333 - 368)  
To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet and a report that sets out the results of a consultation exercise and proposals for a revised polling district and polling station scheme.
- 20. Statutory Officer Appointment - Director of Adult Social Services (and Community Services)**  
To confirm Anna Cole as the Statutory Officer appointment to the Director of Adult Social Services.
- 21. 2024/25 Treasury Management Mid-Year Review** (Pages 369 - 390)  
To note a report that sets out a review of Treasury Management activities during the first part of 2024/25.

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