

## Introduction

This document provides a description of what each Council service does and how much it is proposed that they will spend next year including how much income they will receive.

It sets out details of all of the draft proposals for service change, income generation and efficiencies in order to produce a balanced budget for 2017/2018. For those proposals which have been assessed as having a material impact on service users, draft Equality Impact Assessments have been prepared and are available on the Council's website.

A six week consultation on the budget proposals, both for the public and partner organisations, will be undertaken between 7 November and 16 December 2016 so as much feedback as possible can be gathered. The consultation questionnaire can be found at [www.torbay.gov.uk/consultation](http://www.torbay.gov.uk/consultation). Paper copies are available at all Torbay Libraries and the Harbour offices. Focussed consultation will take place on proposals where individual service users or organisations are expected to be significantly affected.

In addition, the Mayor will be holding two budget events on Thursday 1 December 2016 at the Grand Hotel, Torquay. They will provide an opportunity to hear about the Mayor's proposals, to ask questions and make comments. One event will be held at 2.00 p.m. with a repeated event at 7.00 p.m.