



WIRRAL

Budget Council

Town Hall
Wallasey

18 February, 2022

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend the Budget meeting of Council to be held at **6.00 p.m. on Monday, 28 February 2022** in the Floral Pavilion, New Brighton, to take into consideration and determine upon the following subjects:

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AGENDA

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the Council are asked to consider whether they have any disclosable pecuniary interests and/or any other relevant interest, in connection with any matter to be debated or determined at this meeting and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of such interest.

2. CIVIC MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive the Civic Mayor's announcements and any apologies for absence.

3. BUDGET MEETING PROCEDURE (Pages 1 - 14)

The Council is requested to consider the recommendation from Policy and Resources Committee of 15 February, 2022, in respect of the procedure to be adopted for this extraordinary meeting of Council, as specified in appendix A to the report of the Director Law and Governance.

Minute and report attached.

4. MATTERS REQUIRING APPROVAL OR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF 17 JANUARY AND 15 FEBRUARY, 2022

A. COUNCIL TAX 2022/23 - TAX BASE, DISCOUNTS AND EXEMPTIONS AND LOCAL COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME (Pages 15 - 26)

Minute with recommendations and report attached.

B. CAPITAL MONITORING QUARTER 3 2022/23 (Pages 27 - 58)

Minute with recommendations and report attached.

C. BUDGET 2022/23 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN (Pages 59 - 428)

Minute with recommendations and report attached.

1. Budget recommendation.
2. Council Tax setting.

D. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2022-27 (Pages 429 - 460)

Minute with recommendations and report attached.

**E. (i) CAPITAL FINANCING STRATEGY 2022/23 (Pages 461 – 481);
(ii) TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2022/23 (Pages 483 – 513);
(iii) INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2022/23 (Pages 515 - 527)**

Minutes with recommendations and reports attached.

**F. EXTERNAL AUDITOR APPOINTMENT 2023/24 TO 2027/28
(Pages 529 - 550)**

Minute with recommendation and report attached.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. J. G.', written in a cursive style.

Director of Law and Governance

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