St Austell Town Council

Finance and General Purposes Committee

To: All Members of the Finance and General Purposes Committee

(Councillors: Brown, Clemo, Cohen, Gray, Kimber, Lanxon, Marshall, Nott, Preece, Rowse, Stephens, Thompson, Whitehouse and Young).

Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend a **Meeting** of **the Finance and General Purposes Committee** to be held in **Chi Austel, White River Place, St Austell, Cornwall, PL25 5AZ** on **Monday 2nd November 2026 at 6pm.**

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27th October 2026

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AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

2. Declarations of Interest

(Purpose: To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other non-registerable interests in respect of items on this agenda).

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3. Dispensations

(Purpose: To receive requests for dispensations under the Code of Conduct).

4. Minutes of meeting held on 28th September 2026 **Pages 1 - 6**

(Purpose: To agree that the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a correct record). (Attached).

5. Matters to Note

A verbal update from the Town Clerk on the actions taken since the last meeting. Note: No decision may be made under this agenda item.

6. Public participation (15 minutes maximum)

The Chairman will invite members of the public to address the meeting in relation to the business to be carried out at the meeting.

15 minutes will be allocated for public participation (this can be extended at the Chairman's discretion). Each person addressing the Council will be allocated a maximum of three minutes.

7. Budgets 2026/27 and 2027/28 **Pages 7 - 38**

(Purpose: To update Members on work in relation to the revised budget for 2026/27 and the draft budget for 2027/28). (Report attached).

8. Budget Monitoring Report **Pages 39 - 44**

(Purpose: To review the Town Council's budget monitoring report for the period 1st April 2026 to 30th September 2026). (Report attached).

9. Skateboard Park - Poltair Park

(Purpose: To approve a process for seeking tenders to improve the skateboard facilities at Poltair Park). (Verbal update).

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10. To consider excluding the press and public.

Under Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, it is proposed that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the business specified for the following item:

Items 11 and 12 are confidential because they contain sensitive commercial information.

11. CCTV Cameras

(Purpose: To approve the acquisition of two CCTV cameras utilising OPCC grant funding). (Verbal update).

12. Appointment of consultants to undertake survey work

(Purpose: To consider appointing consultants to undertake survey work for the forthcoming Neighbourhood Priority Statement). (Verbal update).

13. Re-admittance of press and public

(Purpose: To re-admit the press and public).

14. Cornwall Council – Consultation on proposed changes to Council Tax Support **Pages 45 -56**

(Purpose: To agree a response to a consultation from Cornwall Council). (Attached).

15. Library

(Purpose: To receive a verbal update on the activities of St Austell Library). (Verbal update).

16. Dates of Next Meetings

(Purpose: To note the date of next meeting – 15th February 2027).

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