

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

Policy and Resources Committee

Venue: **Council Chamber, Council Offices, Kirkwall.**

Date: **Tuesday, 17 June 2025.**

Time: **09:30.**



Dear Councillor,

You are invited to attend the above meeting.

A note of the business to be considered is attached.

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Chief Executive.

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Committee Membership

Councillors Heather N Woodbridge (Leader), Alexander G Cowie (Depute Leader), Graham A Bevan, Stephen G Clackson, David Dawson, P Lindsay Hall, Steven B Heddle, Rachael A King, Kristopher D Leask, W Leslie Manson, James R Moar, Janette A Park, Raymond S Peace, John A R Scott, Gwenda M Shearer, Gillian Skuse, Jean E Stevenson, Ivan A Taylor, Mellissa-Louise Thomson, Owen Tierney and Duncan A Tullock.

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Order of Business

1. Apologies.
2. Declarations of Interest.

Members are asked to consider whether they have an interest to declare in relation to any item on this agenda. Any member making a declaration of interest should indicate whether it is a financial or non-financial interest and include some information on the nature of the interest. Advice may be sought from Officers prior to the meeting taking place.

Resources

3. Detailed Revenue Budgets – report by Head of Finance **attached**.
4. Medium Term Financial Strategy – joint report by Director of Enterprise and Resources and Head of Finance **attached**.
5. Miscellaneous Piers and Harbours – Minor Capital Improvement Programme – report by Director of Enterprise and Resources **attached**.
6. Islands Cost Crisis Emergency Fund – joint report by Chief Officer, Orkney Health and Social Care Partnership and Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.

Policy and Governance

7. Orkney Islands Council Offshore Energy Development Strategy – report by Director of Enterprise and Resources **attached**.
8. International Engagement – report by Director of Enterprise and Resources **attached**.
9. Unacceptable Actions and Challenging Behaviour Policy – report by Chief Executive **attached**.
10. Alternative Models of Governance – report by Chief Executive **attached**.

Exclusion of Public

11. The Committee is requested to exclude the public from the meeting for Items 12 to 16 below, on the grounds that it would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information of the classes described in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended.

12. Capital Investment Proposals – report by Director of Enterprise and Resources **attached**.
- Not for publication by virtue of paragraphs 6, 8 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.**
13. Proposed Housing Development – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.
- Not for publication by virtue of paragraphs 8 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.**
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- Not for publication by virtue of paragraphs 6, 8 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.**
15. Strategic Housing Investment Plan – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **to follow**.
- Not for publication by virtue of paragraphs 6 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.**
16. UHI Orkney – Draft Budget – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **to follow**.
- Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.**

Information Reports

17. Performance Monitoring – Strategy, Performance and Business Solutions – joint report by Chief Executive, Director of Education, Communities and Housing and Director of Infrastructure and Organisational Development **attached**.
18. Performance Monitoring – Orkney Health and Care – report by Chief Officer, Orkney Health and Social Care Partnership **attached**.
19. Performance Monitoring – Council Delivery Plan – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.
20. Performance Monitoring – Local Government Benchmarking Framework – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.
21. People Plan – Progress Update – report by Director of Infrastructure and Organisational Development **attached**.

- 22. Registered Services within Orkney Health and Care – Inspection Assurance – report by Chief Officer, Orkney Health and Social Care Partnership **attached**.
- 23. Children's Services Plan – Annual Report – joint report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing and Chief Officer, Orkney Health and Social Care Partnership **to follow**.

Draft Minutes

- 24. Police and Fire Sub-committee – Draft Minute of Meeting held on 20 May 2025 **attached**.
- 25. Pension Fund Sub-committee, together with Pension Board – Draft Minute of Meeting held on 21 May 2025 **attached**.
- 26. Investments Sub-committee – Draft Minute of Meeting held on 22 May 2025 **attached**.
- 27. Asset Management Sub-committee – Draft Minute of Meeting held on 27 May 2025 **attached**.
- 28. Human Resources Sub-committee – Draft Minute of Meeting held on 27 May 2025 **attached**.
- 29. Staff Appeals Sub-committee – Draft Minute of Meeting held on 9 May 2025 **attached**.

Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 – Schedule 7A

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