

# Notice of Meeting and Agenda

## Education, Leisure and Housing Committee

Venue: Council Chamber, Council Offices, Kirkwall.

Date: Wednesday, 4 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 Gwenda M Shearer (Chair), Ivan A Taylor (Vice Chair), Graham A Bevan, Stephen G Clackson, Alexander G Cowie, David Dawson, Steven B Heddle, James R Moar, Janette A Park, John A R Scott, Jean E Stevenson and Heather N Woodbridge.

**Non-Voting Membership:** Jo Hill, Reverend Susan Kirkbride, Reverend Fraser Macnaughton and Mary Maley.

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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.

## Exclusion of Public

3. The Committee is requested to exclude the public from the meeting for Items 4 to 6, on the grounds that they 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.
4. UHI Orkney – Draft Revenue 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**Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.**

5. Proposed Transfer of Property – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.

**Not for publication by virtue of paragraphs 6 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.**

6. Property Development – Kirkwall – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.

**Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 2, 3 and 8 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.**

## Governance

7. Performance Monitoring – Education, Leisure and Housing – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.
8. Empty Homes Support Scheme – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.
9. Visual Artist and Craft Maker Awards Scheme – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.
10. Orkney Physical Activity and Wellbeing Strategy and Action Plan – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.

## Information Reports

11. National Thematic Inspection: Local Authority Approaches to Supporting Self-evaluation – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **to follow**.
12. Care Inspectorate – Willow Tree Nursery – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.
13. Education Scotland Inspection – Stromness Academy – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **to follow**.
14. Developing the Young Workforce – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.
15. Energy Efficiency Standard for Social Housing – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.
16. Homelessness in Orkney – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.

## Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 – Schedule 7A

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