Notice of Meeting and Agenda

Policy and Resources Committee

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

Date: **Wednesday, 28 October 2026.**

Time: **14:00**.

Dear Councillor,

You are invited to attend the above meeting.

A note of the business to be considered is attached.

James Wylie,

Deputising 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

A. Apologies.

B. Declarations of Interest.

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Exclusion of Public

1. The Committee is requested to exclude the public from the meeting for Item 2, 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.

2. Demolition of Former Papdale Halls of Residence – report by Director of Education, Communities and Housing **attached**.

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Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 – Schedule 7A

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