

Minutes of a meeting of the POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Square, Crewkerne, following a meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee on Monday 12 January 2026.

PRESENT:

Cllr. A. Stuart (Chair), M. Best, N. Draycott, D. Livesley, P. Maxwell, J. Nathan, A. Samuel and C. Rawe

In attendance: G. Hughes (Town Clerk) and S. Syeda Bowen (Deputy Clerk)

023 TO NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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Apologies were received from Cllrs. Ashton, K. Head and J. Morris (personal) and S. Woodland (unwell).

024 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

025 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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It was AGREED that the minutes of the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on 13 October 2025 be APPROVED.

026 PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

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No members of the public were present.

027 FINANCE:

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a. Third quarter income and expenditure financial report

The report was noted.

b. Earmarked Reserves

The Clerk was asked to note what the 'New Projects' reserve was used for.

c. General Reserves

The report was noted.

d. Budget for 2026/27

Councillors commented that they felt the proposed budget represented value for money. It was noted that a large proportion of the increase was attributed to repairs to the wall at the Bincombe allotments, and to roof repairs at the Town Hall.

028 TO RECEIVE MATTERS OF REPORT

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There were no matters of report.

029 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

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Monday 9 February 2026, following the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee in the Council Chamber, Town Hall.

The meeting closed at 19.38

Signed:

Dated:

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