

### 2024-2028 Financial Planning and Budget Process

#### Timetable of Key Milestones for 2024/25

<b>Date / Meeting</b>	<b>Detail</b>
27 November 2023 <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet considers its 2024-2028 initial Budget proposals in relation to General Fund, Schools, Housing Revenue Account & Investment Plan for 2024-2029.
28 November 2023	Notice of Objection process for the 2023/24 Budget commences.
28 November 2023	Budget and Council Plan engagement process begins. Ends in January 2024.
28 November 2023 <b>Scrutiny Process</b>	Scrutiny of the 2024-2028 Financial Planning and Budget process.
11 December 2023 <b>Overview &amp; Scrutiny Co-ordination and Finance Committee</b>	Overview & Scrutiny Co-ordination and Finance Committee consider Cabinets Initial Budget Proposals for 2024-2028 Financial Planning and Budget and Council Plan process.
Mid December 2023	Estimated timing of the 2024/25 Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement.
15 January 2024 <b>Overview &amp; Scrutiny Co-ordination and Finance Committee</b>	Overview & Scrutiny Co-ordination and Finance Committee considers the results of its review of the 2024-2028 Financial Planning and Budget and Council Plan process.
22 January 2024 <b>Cabinet</b>	2024/25 Council Tax Base agreed by Cabinet

## Appendix H

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29 January 2024 <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet approves the final proposals in relation to the 2024/25 Housing Revenue Account budget and associated Business Plan, including an assessment in relation to the current year's budget monitoring information (2023/24). In addition, Cabinet will agree the Annual Housing Rent policy for 2024/25.
29 January 2024 <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet considers its Budget proposals for 2024-2028 in relation to General Fund Revenue, Schools & Investment Plan for 2024-2029, taking into account feedback received as part of Budget Engagement and any recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee.
30 January 2024 <b>Overview &amp; Scrutiny Co-ordination and Finance Committee</b>	Overview & Scrutiny Co-ordination and Finance Committee/Budget Study Group as appropriate considers Cabinet's final Budget proposals.
5 February 2024 <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet meeting to consider any recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Budget Study Group following its review of the Cabinets 2024/25 Budget and Council Tax proposals.
13 February 2024	4pm deadline for responses to the Authority's Notice of Objection
15 February 2024 <b>Council</b>	Cabinet submits to the Council its estimates of amounts for the 2024-2028 Financial Plan and 2024/25 Budget & Council Tax levels.
19 February 2024 (if required) <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet Meeting to consider any objections to Cabinet's Budget and Council Plan proposals.

## Appendix H

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	The Cabinet meeting on 19 February 2024 is now a scheduled meeting with other items of business and will proceed even where no objections are approved.
29 February 2024 (if required) <b>Council</b>	Council meeting to agree the Budget for 2024/25, the Council Tax level for 2024/25 and the Investment Plan for 2024-2029  The Council meeting on 29 February 2024 is now a scheduled meeting with other items of business and will proceed even where no objections are approved.