

STURMINSTER NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL

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Dear Councillors

You are summoned to a meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee which will be held on Wednesday 22nd October 25 at 7.15pm in The Council Chamber.

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matter in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, religion, belief or disability), Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.

Only agenda items where the indicated function is to approve, consider or decide may be decided at this meeting. Other items are for information only and no decision can be taken unless and until they are raised at a later meeting.

Kate Squire Town Clerk

17th October 2025

- 25/26/156 To receive comments and questions from members of the public**
Members of the public are invited to raise any matter and speak for up to three minutes.
Matters raised cannot be discussed unless they already appear on the agenda.
- 25/26/157 Apologies for absence**
- 25/26/158 To approve declarations of interest and written applications for dispensation**
- 25/26/159 To approve the minutes of the previous Finance & Policy Committee meeting held on 23rd July 2025**
- 25/26/160 Financial Matters:**
1. To approve any payments over £2000
 2. To approve the income and expenditure report at 30 September 25
 3. To approve the balance sheet at 30 September 25
 4. To approve the reserves at 30 September 25
- 25/26/161 To approve payments made under delegation between 1 July 25 and 30 September 25 and confirm a sample of payments made between these dates had been checked by Cllrs Donaldson and Lacey**
- 25/26/162 To receive notice of audited accounts for 24/25 from External Auditors**
- 25/26/163 To approve the following policies:**
- Data Protection
 - Data Breach
 - Privacy Notice Residents & Service Users
 - Privacy Notice Staff & Councillors
 - CCTV
 - Complaints
 - Vexatious Complaints
 - Records Retention & Disposal
 - Freedom of Information

- 25/26/164 To consider where to assign unbudgeted costs of the Mill project**
- 25/26/165 To consider first draft budget for 2026/2027 and agree further actions**
- 25/26/166 To receive a report from the Town Clerk**
- 25/26/167 To receive information from members and proposals for future business**