Date of meeting Thursday, 4th December, 2025

Time 7.00 pm

Venue Astley Room - Castle

Contact Geoff Durham 742222



Castle House Barracks Road Newcastle-under-Lyme Staffordshire ST5 1BL

# Finance, Assets & Performance Scrutiny Committee

# **AGENDA**

# **OPEN AGENDA**

1 APOLOGIES			
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- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 3 MINUTES OF A PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 3 8)

To consider the minutes of a previous meeting

- 4 REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGET 2026/27 FIRST DRAFT (Pages 9 34) SAVINGS PLANS
- 5 FINANCIAL AND PERFORMANCE REVIEW REPORT SECOND (Pages 35 70)
- 6 TOWN DEAL AND FUTURE HIGH STREET FUNDS UPDATE (Pages 71 82)
- 7 WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 83 86)
- 8 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

**QUARTER 2025/26** 

Any member of the public wishing to submit a question must serve two clear days' notice, in writing, of any such question to the Borough Council

#### 9 URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any business which is urgent within the meaning of Section 100B (4) of the Local Government Act 1972

#### 10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026 (7:00pm)

Members: Councillors Holland (Chair), Bryan (Vice-Chair), Parker, Turnock, P Waring,

### Bettley-Smith, Stubbs, Allport, Lawley, Grocott and Dean

<u>Members of the Council</u>: If you identify any personal training/development requirements from any of the items included in this agenda or through issues raised during the meeting, please bring them to the attention of the Democratic Services Officer at the close of the meeting.

<u>Meeting Quorums</u>: Where the total membership of a committee is 12 Members or less, the quorum will be 3 members.... Where the total membership is more than 12 Members, the quorum will be one quarter of the total membership.

## SUBSTITUTE MEMBER SCHEME (Section B5 – Rule 2 of Constitution)

The Constitution provides for the appointment of Substitute members to attend Committees. The named Substitutes for this meeting are listed below:-

Substitute Members: Whieldon J Tagg

Beeston D Jones
Wilkes Wright
Adcock Gorton
Crisp Lewis

If you are unable to attend this meeting and wish to appoint a Substitute to attend on your place you need to identify a Substitute member from the list above who is able to attend on your behalf

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