

FULL COUNCIL

NOTICE AND AGENDA

For a meeting to be held on Tuesday, 10 December 2024 at 7.30 pm at Three Rivers House, Northway, Rickmansworth, Herts WD3 1RL.

Members of the Full Council:-

Councillors:

Raj Khiroya (Chair)
Christopher Alley
Sara Bedford
Oliver Cooper
Stephen Cox
Harry Davies
Steve Drury
Vicky Edwards
Andrea Fraser
Elinor Gazzard
Stephen Giles-Medhurst
Rue Grewal
Philip Hearn
Lisa Hudson
Khalid Hussain
Joan King
Stephen King
Chris Lloyd
David Major
Keith Martin

Tony Humphreys (Vice-Chair)
Abbas Merali
Chris Mitchell
Debbie Morris
Ian Morris
Sarah Nelmes
Louise Price
Kevin Raeburn
Reena Ranger
Ciaran Reed
Andrew Scarth
Narinder Sian
Mike Sims
Tom Smith
Jonathon Solomons
Cheryl Stungo
Jon Tankard
Chris Whately-Smith
Anne Winter

*Joanne Wagstaffe, Chief Executive
Monday, 2 December 2024*

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 9 - 32)

To confirm as being a correct record the minutes of the meeting of Full Council held on 8 October 2024 and for them to be signed by the Chair.

4. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive an update on the Chair's activities since the last meeting.

5. PETITIONS

To consider any petitions received by the Council under Procedure Rule 18.

6. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (Pages 33 - 42)

To receive any questions from the public submitted under Procedure Rule 15 and to note the answers provided.

7. COUNCIL TAX BASE 2025/26 (Pages 43 - 54)

1. That the calculation of the Council's tax base for the year 2025/26 be approved.
2. That in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012, the amount calculated by the Three Rivers District Council as its council tax base for the year 2025/26 shall be:-

Parish	Band D Equivalents 2025/26
Abbots Langley	8,865.3
Batchworth	6,603.8
Chorleywood	6,339.1
Croxley	5,818.2
Sarratt	1,098.6
Watford Rural	7,617.3
	3,696.8
Unparished	
Total	<hr/> <u>40,038.9</u> <hr/>

8. Review of Gambling Policy (To Follow)

9. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL

(Pages 55 - 64)

To agree that from 1 April 2025, the Three Rivers District Council Members' Allowance Scheme is amended as follows:

- To increase Basic and Special Responsibility Allowances by the 12-month Consumer Price Index as at September 2024, and to index changes to these allowances in future years by the 12-month Consumer Price Index as at the previous September, for a period of four years.
- To establish a two-type Care Allowance scheme such that
 - Childcare payments may be claimed at a cost of up to £12.50 per hour, and to index changes to this rate to the National Living Wage at such time as the National Living Wage would be equal to or higher than £12.50 per hour, for a period of four years.
 - Adult care payments may be claimed at the Hertfordshire County Council Home Care Rate of up to £25.48 per hour, and to index changes to this rate in future years to the Hertfordshire County Council Home Care Rate.

10. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2026-27

(Pages 65 - 88)

To agree the calendar of meetings for the municipal year 2026-27, as detailed at Appendix 1.

11. POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS - 11 NOVEMBER 2024

To consider any recommendations arising from the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 11 November 2024.

11.1 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

(Pages 89 - 140)

1. That the revenue budget virements as set out in appendices 1 to 3 be approved and incorporated into the three-year medium-term financial plan.
2. That the revenue budget supplementary estimates as set out in appendices 1 to 3 be approved and incorporated into the three-year medium-term financial plan.
3. That the revenue variances to be managed as set out in appendices 1 to 3 be noted.
4. That the capital variances as set out in appendices 1 to 3 be approved and incorporated into the three-year medium-term financial plan.

- 11.2 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME** (Pages 141 - 168)
To agree the Local Development Scheme as set out in Appendix 3.
- 11.3 THREE RIVERS DISTRICT COUNCIL CCTV POLICY 2024** (Pages 169 - 190)
1. To agree the adoption of the new CCTV policy 2024 – 2028.
 2. To delegate Authority to Associate Director of Corporate, Customer and Community to authorise minor changes to the policy, such as terminology, clarification, or administrative corrections with no significant impact.
- 11.4 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR POLICY** (Pages 191 - 216)
To agree the Three Rivers District Council Antisocial Behaviour Policy 2024.
- 11.5 RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY** (Pages 217 - 235)
To agree the Risk Management Strategy, as recommended by the Audit Committee and Policy and Resources Committee.
- 11.6 CIL SPENDING REQUESTS JULY 2024** (Pages 237 - 316)
1. To approve CIL funding for the following schemes detailed in Table 1 of this report and summarised in the table below for 2024/2025:

Applicant & Project Name	Infrastructure	CIL Amount
Sarratt Parish Council KGV pavilion (Appendix 2)	The project is to improve the existing local multiple sport and recreation facilities by upgrading the KGV pavilion to conform with safeguarding standards, environmental, energy efficiency and hygiene requirements.	£200,000
Three Rivers Community Safety Partnership (Appendix 3)* <i>*note the additional camera provision as agreed by the Policy and Resources Committee on 11 November 2024 may not be reflected in the appendix.</i>	Provision of CCTV cameras	£76,716

HCC Croxley Green Library (Appendix 4)	Reconfiguration of the Young Adult Area and Local Studies Area at Croxley Green Library	£10,500
Oxhey Jets Football Club (Appendix 5)	Replacement of existing grass football pitch with a sustainable full-size 3G Football Turf Pitch (FTP) with LED floodlighting, fencing, terracing, storage and equipment. Improvements to pitch access including disabled entrances. Renovation of the OJFC B7clubhouse and team changing facilities.	966,000.

2. That final funding and implementation of the 4 agreed projects is delegated to the Director of Finance, in consultation with the Lead Members for Resources and Planning Policy and Infrastructure, to determine to enable the agreed projects to be progressed and implemented.
3. That authority is delegated to the Director of Finance, in consultation with the Lead Members for Resources and Planning Policy and Infrastructure, to amend budgets to allow the CIL allocations to be actioned and the monies spent.

12. POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS - 2 DECEMBER 2024

To consider any recommendations arising from the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 2 December 2024.

12.1 FEES AND CHARGES 2025/26

(Pages 317 - 340)

1. To approve the Fees and Charges set out in the schedule at Appendix 1 to be effective from 13 January 2025;
2. To approve the Fees and Charges set out in the schedule at Appendix 2 to be effective from 1 April 2025;
3. To approve the Fees and Charges set out in the schedule at Appendix 3 to be effective from 1 April 2025;
4. To approve the Fees and Charges set out in the schedule at Appendix 4 to be effective from 1 April 2025.

13. BUSINESS RATE POOLING 2025/26 (Pages 341 - 346)

1. That Council agrees in principle that Three Rivers District Council enters into the Hertfordshire Business Rates Pool, subject to the Government accepting its application to form a pool.
2. That Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive and the Director of Finance to sign up to the Hertfordshire Business Rates Pool, within 28 days of the Local Government Finance Settlement.

14. LEAD MEMBER REPORTS (Pages 347 - 366)

To receive written reports from the Lead Members on activities falling within their remit since the last meeting of Full Council.

15. QUESTIONS TO THE LEADER AND LEAD MEMBERS (Pages 367 - 440)

To receive the answers to questions submitted to the Leader and Lead Members.

16. REPORTS OF, AND QUESTIONS TO, COMMITTEE CHAIRS

To receive written reports from the Chairs of the Audit, Planning Licensing and Regulatory Committees and any question of those Chairs.

17. MOTIONS (Pages 441 - 460)

To consider any Motions submitted under Council Procedure 11.

Note: the motion proposed by Councillor Chris Michell and seconded by Councillor Cheryl Stungo (“Flooding”) was submitted to and determined at the Climate Change, Leisure and Housing Committee meeting of 16 October 2024 and is not before the Council for debate.

Note: the motion proposed by Councillor Mike Sims and seconded by Councillor Oliver Cooper (“Aquadrome Path”) is for Council consideration under Procedure Rule 11.6. The motion is to be noted by Council and referred to the next suitable meeting of the Climate Change, Leisure and Housing Committee. Accordingly, the motion is not before the Council for debate.

Note: Exclusion of Public and Press

If Council wishes to consider any items in private, it will be necessary for the following resolution to be passed:

“that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under paragraph 3 of Part I of

Schedule 12A to the Act. It has been decided by the Council that in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.”

General Enquiries: Please contact the Committee Team at
committeeteam@threerivers.gov.uk

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public on agenda items at the Full Council meetings. Details of the procedure are provided below:

For those wishing to speak:

Members of the public are entitled to register and identify which item(s) they wish to speak on from the published agenda for the meeting. Those who wish to register to speak are asked to register on the night of the meeting from 7pm. Please note that contributions will be limited to one person speaking for and one against each item for not more than three minutes.

In the event of registering your interest to speak on an agenda item but not taking up that right because the item is deferred, you will be given the right to speak on that item at the next meeting of the Committee.

Those wishing to observe the meeting are requested to arrive from 7pm.

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