

Agenda



Newport City Council

Date: Tuesday, 25 February 2025
Time: 5.00 pm
Venue: Council Chambers - Civic Centre
To: **All Members of the City Council**

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Item	Wards Affected
1. <u>Preliminaries</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. To receive any apologies for absence.ii. To receive any declarations of interest.iii. To receive any announcements by the Presiding Member.	
2. <u>Minutes (Pages 5 - 14)</u> To confirm and sign the minutes of the last meeting.	
3. <u>Appointments (Pages 15 - 18)</u> To consider any proposed appointments.	
4. <u>Police Issues</u> 30 minutes is allocated for questions to the Gwent Police representative.	
5. <u>2025/26 Council Tax and Budget (Pages 19 - 116)</u>	All Wards
6. <u>2025/26 Capital Strategy and Treasury Management Strategy (Pages 117 - 174)</u>	All Wards
7. <u>2025/26 National Non-Domestic Rates: Discretionary Relief - High</u>	All Wards

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Street Relief Scheme (Pages 175 - 194)

8. Amendment to Contract Standing Orders (Pages 195 - 232) All Wards

9. Questions to the Leader of the Council (Pages 233 - 236)
To provide an opportunity for Councillors to ask questions to the Leader of the Council in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders.

Process:

No more than 20 minutes will be allocated at the Council meeting for questions to the Leader of the Council.

Questions to the Leader must be submitted in advance, in writing, by 4pm on the day 5 working days before the meeting;

Questions will be printed on the agenda for the meeting and are to be read out verbatim by the member asking the question;

Members will be allowed an oral supplementary question, which must relate to the subject matter of the original question or the answer given (the supplementary question does not need to be submitted in advance); and

Questions which are not answered at the meeting due to lack of time will receive a written response prior to the next meeting.

The question must be addressed through the Presiding Member at the meeting and not directly to the person being questioned.

10. Questions to the Cabinet Members
To provide an opportunity to pose questions to Cabinet Members in line with Standing Orders.

Process:

No more than 10 minutes will be allocated at the Council meeting for questions to each Cabinet Member.

Members must submit their proposed questions in writing in advance in accordance with Standing Orders. If members are unable to ask their question orally within the allocated time, remaining questions will be answered in writing. The question and response will be appended to the minutes.

The question must be addressed through the Presiding Member at the meeting and not directly to the person being questioned.

Questions will be posed to Cabinet Members in the following order:

- i. Deputy Leader / Cabinet Member for Education & Early Years
- ii. Cabinet Member for Communities & Poverty Reduction
- iii. Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning
- iv. Cabinet Member for Social Services
- v. Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Democratic Services
- vi. Cabinet Member for Climate Change & Biodiversity
- vii. Cabinet Member for Infrastructure & Assets
- viii. Cabinet Member for Communications & Culture

11. Questions to the Chairs of Committees
To provide an opportunity to pose questions to the Chairs of the Committees in line with Standing Orders.

Process:

No more than 10 minutes will be allocated at the Council meeting for questions to each Chair.

Members must submit their proposed questions in writing in advance in accordance with Standing Orders. If members are unable to ask their question orally within the allocated time, remaining questions will be answered in writing. The question and response will be appended to the minutes.

The question must be addressed through the Presiding Member at the meeting and not directly to the person being questioned.

Questions will be posed to Committee Chairs in the following order:

- i. Scrutiny Committees
 - a. Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
 - b. Performance Scrutiny Committee – People
 - c. Performance Scrutiny Committee – Place and Corporate
 - d. Performance Scrutiny Committee – Partnerships
- ii. Planning Committee
- iii. Licensing Committee
- iv. Democratic Services Committee