

Title of Report:	Change of Date of January 2025 Finance Committee
Committee Report Submitted To:	Corporate Policy and Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	26 November 2024
For Decision or For Information	For Decision
To be discussed In Committee YES/NO	No

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)	
Strategic Theme	Cohesive Leadership
Outcome	Council operates as one effective and efficient corporate unit with a common purpose and culture.
Lead Officer	Director of Corporate Services

Estimated Timescale for Completion	
Date to be Completed	January 2025

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	
Included in Current Year Estimates	YES/NO
Capital/Revenue	Revenue
Code	
Staffing Costs	

Legal Considerations	
Input of Legal Services Required	YES/NO
Legal Opinion Obtained	YES/NO

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes /No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes /No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes /No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes /No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	Yes /No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes /No	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Council to change the scheduled date of the Finance Committee in January 2025.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 A timetable of Council, Committee and Sub committee meetings for the period April 2024 – March 2025 inclusive was presented to the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee in January 2024 and subsequently agreed at full Council on 6th February 2024.
- 2.2 The current approved budget setting process as agreed via the Finance Committee determines that the Finance Committee in January will recommend a budget to the rates strike meeting in February 2025. The current date scheduled for the January Finance Committee is Thursday 9th January 2025. This date would require papers to be circulated by 3rd January which coming just after the holiday period would be unworkable the purposes of budget setting.

3.0 Options

- 3.1 In order to allow officers sufficient time to prepare reports and therefore present a final draft budget to the Committee that may be presented to Full Council it is recommended that the Finance Committee in January be moved to a later date in the month.

4.0 Recommendation

- 4.1 **It is recommended that Council approve** changing the date of the January Finance Committee from 9th January to 23rd January 2025. It is further recommended that both 9th January and 16th January are reserved for potential rates workshops as required.