

## Budget & Business Planning Timetable 2025/26

Annex 3

	Date	Who	Action/Event
October	07 October 2024	Committee Services	Publication of agenda for Cabinet including Budget & Business Planning Report 1
	14 October 2025	All Councillors	Briefing: overview of existing Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS), latest updates and current unknowns and the proposed budget & Business Planning process for 2025/26. Overview of capital programme and pipeline. Feedback from the budget/cost of living and strategic priorities section of the residents' survey, budget simulator and children and young people's engagement.
	15 October 2024	Cabinet	Consider Budget & Business Planning Report 1 providing an update on the latest information and proposing a process for 2025/26.
	30 October 2024	Government	Autumn Statement
December	28 November 2024	Committee Services	Publication of agenda for Performance & Corporate Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee including detailed revenue savings proposals and draft Review of Charges for 2025/26 plus proposed changes to the capital programme and pipeline.
	29 November 2024	All Councillors	Councillor briefing: update on Autumn Statement, revenue and capital proposals and draft Review of Charges for 2025/26
	06 December 2024	Performance & Corporate Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Consider and comment on revenue savings proposals and draft Review of Charges for 2025/26. Consider and comment on proposed changes to the capital programme and pipeline.
	Mid - late December 2024	District Councils	Notification of draft council taxbases and draft business rates forecasts (not final at this stage).
	Late December 2024	MHCLG	Publish Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement setting out the council's funding for 2025/26.

January	Date	Who	Action/Event
	09 January 2024	Committee Services	Publication of Performance and Corporate Services Overview & Scrutiny report summarising Cabinet's proposed updates to proposals and funding in light of updates to funding (as known at this stage) and feedback.
	13 January 2025	Committee Services	Publication of Budget & Business Planning Report 2 for Cabinet including Cabinet's proposed revenue budget for 2025/26, MTFs and capital programme for recommendation to Council in light of comments from PSCOSC and budget engagement feedback. Includes the final Review of Charges for 2025/26 for approval by Cabinet.
	15 January 2024	Audit & Governance Committee	Consider the draft Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2025/26
	Mid January 2025	District Councils	Deadline for notification of council tax surpluses or deficits
	16 January 2025	All Councillors	Councillor briefing on impact of Local Government Finance Settlement and other funding updates.
	17 January 2025	Performance & Corporate Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Consider and comment on changes made to Cabinet's proposed budget
	28 January 2025	Cabinet	Cabinet proposes 2025/26 revenue budget, MTFs to 2028/29 and capital programme for recommendation to Council in light of comments from the Performance & Corporate Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee and consultation feedback. Includes the Review of Charges for 2025/26.
31 January 2025	District Councils	Deadline for notification of Council Taxbases, Business Rate Forecasts and Business Rate surpluses or deficits	

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February	Early February 2025	MHCLG	Final Local Government Finance Settlement
	31 January 2025	Committee Services	Publication of Council agenda and Cabinet proposals including the Chief Finance Officer's Statutory Report.
	06 February 2025	Committee Services	Publication of amendments to Cabinet budget by Opposition and Chief Finance Officer's Statutory Report reflecting those amendments.
	11 February 2025	Council	Agree Revenue Budget 2025/26, Capital & Investment Strategy and MTFS to 2028/29.