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To: All Members of the Finance and General Purposes Committee

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting**, to be held in the Council Chambers, Market Hall, The Square, on **Wednesday 27 May 2026 at 5:30 pm** for the purpose of transacting the business detailed below. In accordance with The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, members of the public are welcome to attend.

Yours sincerely

Allison Haywood
Town Clerk

Members are requested to turn off their mobile phones for the duration of the Meeting

AGENDA

- 1. To Elect a Chair for 2026/27.**
- 2. Public Open Question Time** – To receive questions from the Public. Each member of the Public may receive up to 3 minutes' time, the session to last no more than 15 minutes in total.
- 3. Apologies-** (made known to the Town Clerk prior to the meeting).
- 4. Declaration of Interests** – to receive declarations of personal and prejudicial interests in respect of items on this Agenda.
- 5. Finance and General Purposes Committee Minutes** - to sign and agree the Minutes of the F & GP Committee Meetings held on the 15th April 2026.
- 6. Matters arising** – To consider matters arising from the Minutes of the Meetings held on the 15th April 2026 not already covered by the agenda. For information only.

7. To review the Finance & General Purposes Committee Action Plan.
8. Account payments/receipts and Budget review – To examine and agree the accounts.
9. To receive and recommend to Full Council the Annual Internal Audit Report and internal Accounts for the Financial Year 2025/26.
10. To receive and recommend to Full Council the Annual Governance Statement detailed in the Annual Return for the Financial Year 2025/26.
11. To receive and recommend to Full Council the Accounting Statements for the Financial Year 2025/26.
12. To discuss the 2025/26 internal auditor recommendation to close the Skipton account and agree a recommendation to Full Council
13. To discuss and agree the Tender Process for the works to the Roof at Penrose Terrace.
14. Town Clerk's Report – to receive a report from the TC for information only.
15. Exchange of information - With permission of the Chair, to exchange information only on any other subject.

It is recommended that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

16. To update and discuss HTC Staffing
17. To review and agree the Town Clerk/RFO's appraisal 2025/26
18. Close.

Cllrs. Hutchings, De Ste Croix, Brown, Parker

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