

This is a summary of decisions and not the formal minutes of the meeting of Warwick District Council. It is intended to give early notice of the decisions taken.

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### **Agenda**

- 1. Apologies for Absence** – These will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting.
- 2. Declarations of Interest** – These will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting.
- 3. Minutes** – The minutes of the meeting held on 18 December 2024 were approved, as were the minutes of the meeting held on 30 January 2025, subject to a minor change.
- 4. Communications and Announcements** – These will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting.
- 5. Petitions** - There were no petitions to consider.
- 6. Notices of Motion** – There were no Motions to consider.
- 7. Leader and Portfolio Holders’ Statements** - These will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting.
- 8. Questions to the Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holders** -These will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting.
- 9. Setting of the Council Tax 2025/26**

- (a) the recommendations from the meeting of the Cabinet held on 6 February 2025 in Minute Number 98

The budget as set out in the papers for the meeting was approved subject to the following changes:

1. Make a one-off allocation of £95,000 to be spent in conjunction with Town Councils over two years to support our four town centres with a focus on events to increase footfall. Allocation to be made from the Community Projects reserve and in the context of the emerging events strategy.
2. Work with SWFT and WCC to understand the funding need for Lillington Health Hub and feed back to Cabinet and ward Members by end of March 2025.
3. Welcome the willingness of Kenilworth Town Council to support the renovation of the Skate Park at Castle Farm and the work they have already done with users. Ask the Green Spaces team to bring forward the business case to Cabinet for the project and investigate funding options once the Castle Farm Play Area works have been completed.

4. Council recognises the impact of the removal by Warwickshire County Council of the contract to support sexual abuse survivors. Members agree to write to WCC within the next week offering to contribute a one off £12,500 to the 2025/26 contract if WCC can find the remaining £12,500. This allocation would be funded from the Community Projects Reserve.

(b) the report of the Responsible Financial Officer

The recommendation, as revised by the two addendums circulated at the meeting, were approved.

**10. Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Budget 2025/26 and Housing Rents Setting Report**

The recommendations were approved.

**11. Cabinet Report**

The Recommendations were approved.

**12. Appointments to Committee**

Reduction in size of Overview & Scrutiny Committee by a Councillor, which will result in the Conservative vacancy on that Committee removed.

To change its Committee memberships as follows:

Councillor Aizlewood to be replaced on Audit & Standards Committee by Councillor Jones.

Councillor Yellapragada to be replaced on Housing Scrutiny Committee by Councillor Jones.

To appoint:

Councillor Jones as a substitute for Licensing & Regulatory, Planning, Employment, and Overview & Scrutiny Committees;

Councillor Aizlewood as a substitute for Audit & Standards Committee; and Councillor Yellapragada as a substitute for Housing Scrutiny Committee.

To appoint Councillor Sinnott as Warwick District Council's Appointed Governor to represent WDC on South Warwickshire University NHS Foundation Trust's (SWFT) Council of Governors for the new Council from 1 March 2025.

**13. Common Seal - The affixing of the Common Seal of the Council was approved.**