ABINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

Report to	FINANCE, GOVERNANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT
Meeting date	3 March 2025
Report author	Responsible Finance Officer / Town Clerk
Agenda item	8

Committee Restructure Proposal

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To recommend adoption of the proposed Committee Structure to Town Council.
- 1.2 To recommend adoption of the draft calendar of meetings under the new structure, for 2025-26.

2. **Summary**

2.1 Aim of the restructure is to create a more efficient and cohesive structure to allow the decision making and implementation of the actions to flow better.

3. Action required

The committee is requested:

- 3.1 To recommend adoption of the Committee restructure to Town Council
- 3.2 To recommend adoption of the meetings calendar for 2025-26.

This will require a proposer and seconder and a vote.

4. <u>Link to strategic plan and objectives</u>

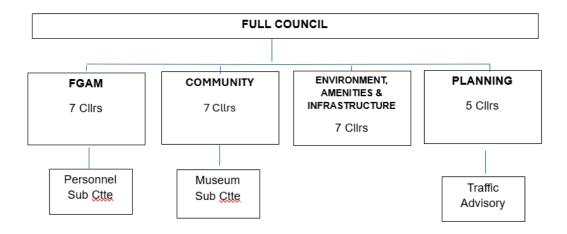
Key Objective 3: To manage the Council's assets efficiently and effectively to meet for the needs of the community now and in the future.

5. **Key information and options**

5.1 Reduce the number of cycles from 5 to 4 to give officers more processing time for actions to be facilitated and prepare reports for the next cycle. Improving the operational efficiency of the Council's operations.

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- 5.2 Amalgamate Town Infrastructure and E&A into one committee, the last year has proven that, in many cases, decision making is split over both committees.
- 5.3 Proposed Committee Structure and Councillor delegation



5.4 Actions from and in between meetings:

- Actions Register will continue in its current form to catch committee actions and motions.
- The Planner will be implemented, this gives Officers their actions / to dos, populated by DSO / Clerk or the Officer. It emails weekly reminders to the officers or councillors assigned the action when it remains outstanding. A task finish date is added to each task. This can be exported to excel and included in the monthly newsletter for all staff and councillors.

6. Climate change/green implications

None.

7. Financial/budget implications

To manage the council's finances and assets efficiently and effectively.

8. **HR implications**

None.

9. Consultation implications

I consider that there are no matters within the report on which we should consult

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9. Supporting papers and appendices

APPENDIX A – Draft Meetings calendar 2025-26 APPENDIX B – Organisation Chart Feb 2025

> Cherie Carruthers RFO 26 February 2025