

Shetland Islands Council – 24 September 2025
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Item	Subject	Decision
1	Chair's Report: Policy and Resources Committee – 15 September 2025: SIC Overall Management Accounts 2025/26 Projected Outturn at Q1	<p>The Council RESOLVED to:</p> <p>NOTE the Management Accounts showing the overall projected outturn position at Quarter 1 as set out in Appendices 1-7 which shows an increase of £3.3m in the use of reserves from the original budget to the projected draw, from £49m to £52.3m.</p> <p>APPROVE budget virements in line with the variance analysis set out in Appendices 1-3 to cover over/underspends identified.</p> <p>APPROVE additional budget of £1.4m to meet the full cost of agreed pay awards 1.1.4 approve the adjustments to the 2024/25 budget to reflect the additional funding offered to the Council, as set out in Appendix 7.</p> <p>NOTE the changes to planning fees as set out in Appendix 8.</p>
2	Chair's Report: Policy and Resources Committee – 15 September 2025: Scottish Recommended Allowance – Kinship Care and Foster Care	<p>The Council RESOLVED to APPROVE:</p> <p>The implementation of the new Scottish Recommended Allowance rate for kinship and foster carers for 2025/26, as set out at Section 4.7 of the report.</p> <p>That the rate for Fostering and Kinship Allowances in future years will be proposed in line with the Scottish Recommended Allowance, for approval through the Council's annual budget-setting process.</p>
3	Chair's Report: Policy and Resources Committee – 15 September 2025: Road Asset Management Plan (RAMP) 2025-2030	<p>The Council RESOLVED to APPROVE the updated Road Asset Management Plan attached as Appendix 1 as part of the Council's Strategic framework documents, as set out in Part A of the Council's Constitution, to be managed by the Environment and Transport Committee.</p>

4	Chair's Report: Policy and Resources Committee – 15 September 2025: Asset Investment Plan – Progress Report	The Council NOTED the progress of the projects within the Asset Investment Plan, and APPROVED the adjustments to capital budgets for anticipated project spend in 2025/26, described at section 4.8.
5	Chair's Report: Policy and Resources Committee – 15 September 2025: Investment Plan – Outline Business Case – New Build Relief Ferry	<p>The Council RESOLVED to:</p> <p>APPROVE the proposals described in Section 4.3. and the Outline Business Case – Ferry Resilience Review – New Build Relief Ferry included as Appendix A to the report.</p> <p>DELEGATE authority to the Executive Manager – Ferry & Airport Operations & Port Infrastructure (or their nominee), as Project Senior Responsible Owner, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • establish a Project Board, appoint a Project Manager and create a Project Team and to take such decisions as may be required in the governance and operation of the Project. • instruct development of and approve a Procurement Strategy, following which to undertake the identified procurement exercises for design, works and/or services in line with the procurement strategy to inform and finalise the Full Business Case. • procure such services and take such actions as may be required to enable completion of the Full Business Case.
6	Chair's Report: Policy and Resources Committee – 15 September 2025: Archaeology Services	The Council APPROVED the proposed addition of new charges, set out in Appendix 1 to the report, to the Council's Schedule of Charges for 2025/26.
7	Chair's Report: Policy and Resources Committee – 15 September 2025: Climate Change – 'Shetland Climate Change Strategy and Implementation Plan'	The Council APPROVED the Shetland Climate Change Strategy and the associated Shetland Climate Change Implementation Plan.
8	Shetland Energy Strategy	The Council CONSIDERED and NOTED the Shetland Energy Strategy in Appendix 1 as a consultative draft, and that the final version will be submitted to the Council on 10

		December 2025 for final approval, taking account of the views expressed at today's meeting.
9	Shetland Islands Council Risk Register	The Council NOTED the content of the report and the Shetland Islands Council's Risk Register attached at Appendix 1.

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