



Skipton Town Council

27th November 2025

Agenda

Meeting: Full Council

Members: All Members of Skipton Town Council

Dear Councillors Bentley, Madeley, McDaid, Morton, Nash, Noland, Morgan, Feather, McIntyre, A Heseltine, R Heseltine, Harbron, Woollacott, Pickard, Kettu & Higgins.

You are hereby summoned to attend the Budget Meeting of Skipton Town Council:

Date: 4th December 2025

Time: 7:00 pm

Venue: Craven Arts House, 55 Otley St, Skipton BD23 1ET

The Local Government (Electronic Communications) (England) Order 2015 Para 2, amended LGA 1972

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Louise Close

Clerk to the Council

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Members are reminded that in order to expedite business at the meeting and enable Officers to adapt their presentations to address areas causing difficulty, they are encouraged to contact Officers prior to the meeting with questions on technical issues in reports.

Business

2526/086 ITEM 1 – Chairman’s Remarks

To receive the Chairmans remarks

2526/087 ITEM 2 – Reasons for Absence

To resolve to accept the reasons for absence for any members unable to attend the meeting.

2526/088 ITEM 3 – Declarations of Interest

To receive any disclosable pecuniary interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure should include the nature of the interest and be registered with the monitoring officer within 28 days.

Members are to ensure that their Register of Interests form is kept up to date with the Monitoring Officer.

2526/089 ITEM 4– Dispensations

To decide upon any dispensation requests from members received by the Clerk in respect of this meeting.

2526/090 ITEM 5 – Representations from the public

Invitation for members of the public to address the meeting. Each member of the public is entitled to speak for 3 minutes.

Questions / observations from members of the public

2526/091 ITEM 6 – Budget setting [Page 3, Appendices 1,2, 3, 4 & 5](#)

To receive the draft budget as recommended by a resolution of the Finance Committee on the 25th of November and to resolve to either amend or adopt the budget.

2526/092 ITEM 7 – Precept Setting

As a result of the adoption of the budget, to resolve to set the precept demand for the fiscal year 2026/2027.

2526/093 ITEM 8 – Payments [Appendix 6](#)

To resolve to approve the list of payments.

2526/094 ITEM 9 - Notification of Business for a Future Agenda

*The Clerk should be given seven clear days’ notice of items for the agenda of the next meeting although the absolute statutory minimum notice period is three clear days. **Next Meeting 15th January 2026***

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4th December 2025 at 7.00pm

Meeting:	Full Council Budget				Date:	04/12/2025
Paper Title:	Budget				Agenda Item:	6
Author of Paper:	Louise Close					
Purpose of Paper:	Information to note		Draft policy for feedback		Motion for Decision	X

Executive Summary: Why is this coming to the Council or Committee? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Context - Timing (why now?) 	<p>The Finance Committee considered the draft budget at a meeting on the 25th November and made the following resolution;</p> <p>Councillor A Higgins made an amendment to the motion of setting the budget with the increased budget provision for statues and memorials which gives a precept increase of 4.02%, this was seconded by Councillor S Morton.</p> <p>A vote was taken to the amendment which removed the 3.24% and amended it to 4.02%, 4 votes in favour, 3 votes against.</p> <p>This motion now becomes the substantive motion, and a vote is taken in it's amended form, 5 votes in favour.</p> <p>The budget is attached and is recommended to be accepted by full council which in turns sets the precept at £602,490</p>
Key points: To include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Options - Challenges (including risks and threats) - Opportunities (including income, reputation, strategic intent and wider benefits e.g. local community or environment) 	<p>The tax base shows that setting the precept at £602,490</p> <p>Gives an increase of 4.02%</p> <p>Which for a Band D property is an increase of £3.96 per year.</p>