

Suggested Budget setting Timeline (Schedule) for F&GP for the 2027/28 financial year

1. Review previous years procedure and agree the Budget setting process for the next financial year 2027/28.

– At September 8th F&GP Meeting

2. RFO to send to committee members an initial copy of the proposed F&GP budget plus starter budget draft for the Premises & Planning and Community committees for their next meetings {21st Sept - P & P, 3rd Nov - Com'}. Then F&GP Committee to discuss and agree their own specific budget finances for income and expenditure lines. To begin to prioritise 2027/28 projects.

– By October 13th F&GP Meeting

3. Review all the committee budget and project requests together with its own agreed budget to allow collation into a first draft SPC budget for the year 2027/28

– By 8th December F&GP Meeting

4. Final Budget agreed by F&GP for recommendation for Full Council approval. Committee's and any working parties to have reviewed projects status and 'wish list' for the 2027/28 financial year with F&GP prioritising and sanctioning of any Earmarked Reserves to be recommended to Full Council

– By 12th January F&GP Meeting

5. Full Council agreement on final 2027/28 Budget Precept request, Band D tax rate and Earmarked reserve obligations for the following year based on F&GP recommendations

– 18th Jan' Full Council Meeting