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### 2014/15 FINANCIAL PLANNING AND BUDGET PROCESS TIMETABLE OF KEY MILESTONES

<b>Date / Meeting</b>	<b>Detail</b>
26 June 2013	Spending Round for 2015/16 Announced
8 July 2013 <b>Cabinet</b>	Discretionary Housing Payment Policy Agreed at Cabinet
9 September 2013 <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet agree the 2014-2018 Financial Planning and Budget process, incorporating the associated Engagement Strategy
9 September 2013 <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet agrees the Local Council Tax Support Scheme for consultation
10 September 2013 to 31 October 2013	Detailed work undertaken on the 2014-2018 Financial Planning and Budget Process.
30 September 2013	Deadline for <b>initial</b> Business Cases (Revenue and Capital) and Equality Impact Assessments to be completed
3 October 2013 <b>All Members' Budget Briefing</b>	First All Members' Budget Briefing for consideration of Budget information
3 October 2013	Notice of Objection process for the 2014/15 Budget commences
7 October 2013 <b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider Cabinet's decision on the Council Tax Support Scheme and approach to consultation.
8 October 2013 to 29 October 2013	Consultation period on the Council Tax Support Scheme.
1 November 2013	Full Business Cases (Revenue and Capital) and Equality Impact Assessments completed
25 November 2013 <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet considers its 2014-2018 initial budget proposals in relation to general fund, schools, housing revenue account & Capital Plan and the Council Plan

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	for 2014-2018
25 November 2013 <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet considers the outcomes of the consultation on the 2014/15 Council Tax Support scheme and proposes a scheme for Council to consider
26 November 2013	Budget Engagement process begins. Consultation to cover all 4 years. Ends in January 2014.
26 November 2013 <b>All Members' Budget Briefing</b>	Second All Members' Budget Briefing for consideration of the Cabinet's initial 2014-2018 Budget proposals and the Council Plan for 2014-2018.
29 November 2013 <b>Council</b>	Report to Council on the Local Council Tax Support Scheme for approval of the recommended scheme.
December 2013 <b>Scrutiny Process</b>	Scrutiny of the 2014-2018 Financial Planning and Budget Process.
6 January 2014 <b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	Overview and Scrutiny Committee consider the results of their review of the 2014-2018 Financial Planning and Budget process.
15 January 2014	Equality Impact Assessments and Business cases (Revenue and Capital) revised, if required, to reflect the outcome of Engagement undertaken.
15 January 2014 <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet considers its draft Council Plan and budget proposals for 2014-2018 in relation to general fund revenue, schools, housing revenue account & Capital Plan, taking into account feedback received as part of Council Plan and Budget Engagement.
15 January 2014 <b>Cabinet</b>	2014/15 Council Taxbase agreed by Cabinet.
<b>Date to be determined Cabinet</b>	Annual housing rent increase for 2014/15 approved by Cabinet.
23 January 2014 <b>Council</b>	Council agrees the Council Tax Support Scheme for 2014/15.
6 February 2014 <b>Council</b>	Cabinet submits to the Council its estimates of amounts for the 2014-2018 Financial Plan and 2014/15 Budget & council tax levels and the 2014-2018 Council Plan.

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20 February 2014 <b>Council</b>	Reconvened Council meeting to consider Cabinet's estimates of amounts for the 2014-2018 Financial Planning and Budget process & council tax levels and the 2014-2024 Capital Plan and the 2014-2018 Council Plan. Consideration of any Notices of Objection.
24 February 2014 (if required) <b>Cabinet</b>	Cabinet Meeting to consider any objections to Cabinet's Budget proposals.
4 March 2014 (if required) <b>Council</b>	Council meeting to agree the general fund revenue budget for 2014/15; the Council Plan for 2014-2018, the council tax level for 2014/15 & Capital Plan for 2014-2024.