

| Meeting of: | Cabinet |
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| Date of Meeting: | Thursday, 14 December 2023 |
| Relevant Scrutiny Committee: | Corporate Performance and Resources |
| Report Title: | Precept Payment Dates 2024-25 |
| Purpose of Report: | To seek approval for the payment of precepts for 2024-25 |
| Report Owner: | Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources |
| Responsible Officer: | Matt Bowmer, Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer |
| Elected Member and Officer Consultation: | Operational Manager – Exchequer Services |
| Policy Framework: | This is a matter for Executive decision by Cabinet |

Executive Summary:

• The report sets out the dates on which precepts are to be paid to the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales and the Town and Community Councils within the Vale of Glamorgan area.

Recommendations

- 1. That the payment due to the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales be paid in 12 equal instalments on the last working day of each month.
- **2.** That payments due to Town and Community Councils be paid in 3 equal instalments on the last working days of April, August and December 2024.

Reasons for Recommendations

- **1.** The dates are determined to optimise the Council's cash flow in line with the regulations.
- **2.** As above the dates are determined to optimise the Council's cashflow in line with the regulations.

1. Background

1.1 The Council as billing authority is required to notify Precepting Authorities by 31st December, 2023 of the proposed precept payment dates for 2024-25.

2. Key Issues for Consideration

- **2.1** It is proposed that arrangements for Precepting Authorities be the same as in the current year, that is:
 - That the payment due to the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales be paid in 12 equal instalments on the last working day of each month; and
 - That payments due to Town and Community Councils be paid in 3 equal instalments on the last working days of April, August and December 2024.

3. How do proposals evidence the Five Ways of Working and contribute to our Well-being Objectives?

3.1 The proposals in this report will enable the Council to continue to work towards the Well-being Outcome of an incisive and safe Vale by attributing to the goal of providing a good quality of life to the citizens of the Vale of Glamorgan. It is important that precepts are paid in a timely manner in order to support the services that both the South Wales Police and Town/Community Councils provide to citizens within the Vale of Glamorgan.

4. Climate Change and Nature Implications

4.1 There would be no climate change or nature implications as a result of this report.

5. Resources and Legal Considerations

<u>Financial</u>

5.1 The proposals are in line with current arrangements and have no financial impact on the Council.

Employment

5.2 None directly attributable to this report

Legal (Including Equalities)

5.3 The Council is required to determine its precept payment dates each year and inform the authorities concerned in line with the regulations.

6. Background Papers

None.