

Chairman's Announcements

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The public are invited to attend one of a series of meetings to discuss the challenges facing Wiltshire in 2016 as it prepares for the next financial year.

The council currently spends around £900m each year on more than 350 services. Changing demographics and reduction in funding from central government means substantial savings need to be made in next year's budget and beyond.

The financial challenges are weighed against the council's own priorities of supporting the most vulnerable, taking action to boost the local economy, safeguarding and creating jobs and working with communities to help them be strong and resilient to do more for themselves.

The meetings will be attended by Cabinet members and will be held at the following times and locations. To confirm your attendance at one of the meetings email events@wiltshire.gov.uk

Refreshments will be served at each event 30 minutes before the start time

20 October 2015 Atrium, County Hall, Trowbridge 5.30pm
22 October 2015 Chippenham Town Hall 5.30pm
29 October 2015 Salisbury Guildhall 5.30pm