

**Objection to Revenue Budget – Parks, Gardens and
Flower Bed Funding**

(Constitution Reference: Budget and Policy Framework Standing Order F2.9)

Adjourned Council Meeting

13 February 2020

Proposal:

That the Council formally objects to the Cabinet's revenue budget proposals on the basis the Cabinet's draft Community and Corporate Plan has a commitment to becoming the UK's premier tourist resort, whereas the budget proposals see a reduction in the funding for parks, gardens and flower beds. The Council believe that the funding for parks, gardens and flower beds should be retained whilst a fundamental review is undertaken to ensure that there is a long term strategy for their future provision in Torbay. This to include the communities desire to assist which has not been actioned by the Cabinet. Communities are keen to engage, but have not been allowed to be involved with the progression of this idea.

In accordance with the Constitution at F2.9, the Council therefore requires the Cabinet to consider this objection by 20 February 2020 either:

- a) submit a revision of the estimates or amounts as amended by the Cabinet with the reasons for any amendments made to the estimates or amounts, to the Council for its consideration; or
- b) inform the Council of any disagreement that the Cabinet has with any of the Council's objections and the Cabinet's reasons for any such disagreement.

Proposed by Councillor Barbara Lewis

Seconded by Councillor Jacqueline Thomas