

Title of Report	Draft Calendar of Council Meetings 2023/ 2024
For Consideration By	Council
Meeting Date	1 March 2023
Classification	Open
Ward(s) Affected	All
<u>Director</u>	Dawn Carter-McDonald, Director of Legal, Democratic & Electoral Services

1. <u>Summary</u>

- 1.1 This report asks that Council note the proposed Council calendar for 2023/24 subject to any changes required following the 2023/24 Annual Meeting.
- 1.2 Members are invited to contact Governance should they wish to comment on the calendar ahead of its approval at the Annual Meeting on 17 May.

2. Recommendations

2.1 Council is recommended to note the proposed Council meeting calendar for 2023/24

3. **Background**

- 3.1 The Council approves the calendar of meetings at its Annual Meeting (AM).
- 3.2 A draft calendar is provided for noting in advance of its formal approval. Councillors and members of the public are able to have early indication of the proposed meeting schedule. This draft is subject to any changes considered at the AM in respect to the committee structure or the way Council business is conducted.
- 3.3 The proposed schedule will be shared with group whips, Corporate Leadership Team, Mayor and Cabinet and other key stakeholders for comment prior to final publication ahead of the Annual Meeting.

4. <u>Comments of the Group Director, Finance and Corporate Resources</u>

4.1 The costs of administering the meetings of the Council is managed within allocated budgets. No additional expenditure is likely to be incurred by approving the proposed draft calendar of meetings.

5. <u>Comments of the Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral Services</u>

Article 4 of Part 2 of the Constitution provides that "[t]he frequency of the meetings of Full Council will be determined annually at Annual General Meeting (AGM)" and this has long been interpreted as including any formal meeting of the Council. Thus the final calendar of meetings will be approved at the AGM in May 2023 in accordance with the Constitution.

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Proposed Meeting Schedule 2023/24

Background Papers

No background papers have been relied upon for the drafting of this report.

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