## REPORT TO THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE 2 MARCH 2016

**PORTFOLIO: LEADER** 

# REPORT FROM ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

### **SUBJECT: TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS 2016/17**

#### 1 DECISION BEING RECOMMENDED

1.1 That the timetable of meetings for the 2016/17 Municipal Year, as set out in the appendix to this report, be approved.

# 2 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION

2.1 A formalised meetings timetable facilitates the management of Council business. Administrative arrangements should be in place in advance of the new Municipal Year.

#### 3 DISCUSSION

- 3.1 The Council's Constitution sets out some requirements in relation to meetings, specifically:-
  - All ordinary meetings of Full Council take place in accordance with a programme decided at the Council's Annual Meeting.
  - There should be at least ten ordinary meetings of the Review Committee in each year.
  - There should be at least four meetings of the Executive in each year.
- 3.2 The dates scheduled for Full Council meetings will need to be included on the Annual Council meeting agenda for endorsement. Executive meetings scheduled in the appended timetable reflect the usual throughput of business, including the performance reporting timetable.
- 3.3 The timetable covers Council, the Executive and the regulatory/probity Committees. It replicates, where possible, the usual practice of scheduling Council and Review Committee meetings on Tuesday evenings and Executive meetings on Wednesday evenings. Meetings have also been scheduled of the Investment Board, at two-monthly intervals.
- 3.4 In accordance with usual practice, the timetable includes training dates that have been agreed in advance. These cover a facility for part 1 (refresher/mandatory) and part 2 (competency/mandatory) training. The week commencing 9 May 2016 has been earmarked to schedule intensive induction training for newly elected Members.

- Two budget Away days have been scheduled 1 October 2016 and 21 3.5 January 2017. The timetable includes provision for the Chief Executive's appraisal and continues to avoid Monday evenings when most of the Town/Parish Council main meetings are held. The Council budget setting meeting has been scheduled for 14 February 2017 to allow a margin for any late budgetary announcements from Central Government. Similarly, no Council Tax setting meeting has been scheduled as precept announcements from other Authorities have been late in recent years. Council Tax setting will take place at the Council meeting scheduled for 28 February 2017.
- 3.6 The timetable allows flexibility for both the cancellation of pre-arranged meetings and the scheduling of additional meetings if necessary.

#### 4 **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 Requirements within the Council's Constitution are identified at paragraph 3.1 above. The Council's Annual Meeting has to be held within 21 days of Councillors' retirement following elections.

I confirm that the above recommendation does not depart from Council policy and that appropriate consideration has been given to any budgetary and legal implications.



# **Assistant Director, Democratic Services**

# **Background Papers:-**

None.

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# **MEETINGS TIMETABLE 2016/17**

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