PORTFOLIO: OVERALL STRATEGY AND POLICY DIRECTION
REPORT FROM: HEAD OF LEGAL, ESTATES AND MEMBER SERVICES
SUBJECT: TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS 2012/13

1 DECISION BEING RECOMMENDED

1.1 That the timetable of meetings for the 2012/13 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.
 - There should be four regular Community Forum meetings in each year, two in the East and two in the West of the District.
- 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, Community Forums and the regulatory/probity Committees. It replicates, where possible, the usual practice of scheduling Review Committee meetings on Tuesday evenings, Development on Thursday evenings and Executive meetings on Wednesday evenings. The timetable allows flexibility for both the cancellation of prearranged meetings and the scheduling of additional meetings if necessary.

- 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 (Induction/refresher/mandatory) and part 2 (competency/mandatory) training.
- 3.5 Two budget Away days have been scheduled 24 November 2012 and 12 January 2013. 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.

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.

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Background Papers:

None.

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MEETINGS TIMETABLE 2012/13

2012								2013					
	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May
Mon						1						1 Easter Monday	
Tue	1					2 Mandatory Planning Training			1 New Years Day			2	
Wed	2			1		3			2			3	1
Thurs	3 District Elections			2		4 Standards	1 Training		3			4	2 County
F-:	4	4				-			4		1	-	Elections
	4	1		3	4	5	2	1	5	1	<u> </u>	5	3
	5	3	4	5	2	7	3	2	5	3	2	6	5
	7 Bank Holiday	4 Bank Holiday	2	6	3	8	5	3	7	4	4	8	6 Bank Holiday
Tue	8	4 Dank Holiday	3 Review	7	3	9 Review	6 West	4 Review	8 Review	5 Review	5 Review	9	o Bank Holiday
		Bank Holiday	Committee training	,	4		Community Forum						1
Wed	9	6	4	8	5	10	7 Executive	5 Executive	9 Executive	6 Executive	6	10	8
Thurs	10	7	5	9	6	11 Training	8 Training	6	10	7	7	11 Standards	9
	11	8	6		7	12	9	7	11	8	8	12	10
	12	9	7		8	13	10	8	12 Budget Away Day	9	9	13	11
Sun	13	10	8	12	9	14	11	9	13	10	10	14	12
Mon	14	11	9	13	10	15	12	10	14	11	11	15	13
Tue	15 Mandatory planning training	12 Standards	10 Review	14	11 Review	16 East Community Forum	13 Review	11 Council	15	12	12 West Community Forum	16 Review	14
Wed	16	13 Audit	11 Executive	15	12	17 Executive	14	12	16	13	13 Executive	17 Executive	15
Thurs	17	14 Training	12 Training	16	13	18 Training	15 Training	13 Development	17	14 Reserved for Council Tax	14	18 Development	16
Fri	18	15	13	17	14	19	16	14	18	15	15	19	17
Sat	19	16	14	18	15	20	17	15	19	16	16	20	18
	20	17	15	19	16	21	18	16	20	17	17	21	19
	21	18	16	20	17	22	19	17	21	18	18	22	20
Tue	22 Annual Council	19 Review	17 Council	21	18	23 Council	20	18 Audit	22	19	19 East Community Forum	23 Council	21 Annual Council
Wed	23	20 Executive	18	22	19 Executive	24	21	19	23	20	20	24	22
Thurs	24 Mandatory Licensing training	21 Mandatory Appeals training	19 Training	23	20	25 Development	22 Development	20	24	21	21 Development	25	23
Fri	25	22	20	24	21	26	23	21	25	22	22	26	24
	26	23	21	25	22	27	24 Budget Away Day	22	26	23	23	27	25
Sun	27	24	22	26	23	28	25	23	27	24	24	28	26
	28	25	23	27 Bank Holiday		29	26	24	28	25	25	29	27 Bank Holiday
Tue	29 Training	26	24	28	25 CE Appraisal	30	27	25 Christmas Day	29 * Reserved for Budget	26 Council	26 Audit	30	28
	30 Review Committee training	27 Training	25	29	26 Audit	31	28	26 Boxing Day	30	27	27 CE Appraisal		29
Thurs	31 Development	28 Development	26 Development	30 Development	27 Development		29	27	31 Development	28 Development	28		30
Fri		29	27	31	28		30	28			29 Good Friday		31
Sat		30	28		29			29			30		
Sun			29		30			30			31 Easter Day		
Mon			30					31					
Tue			31										