

Title of Report	Proposed Calendar of Council Meetings 2026/2027
For Consideration By	Council
Meeting Date	4 March 2026
Classification	Open
<u>Ward(s) Affected</u>	All
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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report asks Council to note the proposed Council calendar for 2026/27, subject to any changes required following the 2026/27 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 28 May 2026.
- 1.3 Members are also asked to note that the Council's Annual Meeting, previously scheduled for 20 May 2026, has been rescheduled to 28 May 2026. This change allows additional time for Political Groups and Senior Officers to consult with newly elected Members following the elections on 7 May 2026 and to prepare the necessary reports for publication.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 **Council is recommended to note the proposed Council meeting calendar for 2026/27.**

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. Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no additional financial implications arising from the recommendation of this report. The cost of administering meetings of the Council is managed within existing budgets.

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5. HR/OD implications

- 5.1 There are no HR and OD implications as a result of this report.

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6. Legal implications

- 6.1 Article 4.5 of the Constitution provides that “the frequency of the meetings of Full Council is determined at the Annual Meeting. This has long been interpreted as including any formal meeting of the Council. Thus the final calendar of meetings will be approved at the Annual Meeting on 28 May 2026 in accordance with the Constitution.

Legal implications prepared on behalf of the Director of Legal, Democratic & Electoral Services by: Juliet Babb, Assistant Director of Legal and Governance
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Background Papers

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

Appendices

Appendix 1 - [Proposed Meeting Schedule 2026/27](#)