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# **AGENDA**

### ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 18 May 2022

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent ME10 3HT\*

Quorum = 16

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It is important that the Chairman is informed of any person attending who is disabled or unable to use the stairs, so that suitable arrangements may be made in the event of an emergency.

#### 2. Apologies for Absence

#### Minutes

To approve the <u>Minutes</u> of the Annual Council Meeting held on 26 May 2021 (Minute Nos. 1 - 14), the <u>Minutes</u> of the Full Council meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022 and the <u>Minutes</u> of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022 as correct records.

#### 4. Declarations of Interest

Councillors should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves or their spouse, civil partner or person with whom they are living with as a spouse or civil partner. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships.

The Chairman will ask Members if they have any interests to declare in respect of items on this agenda, under the following headings:

(a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) under the Localism Act

- 2011. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DPI, the Member must leave the meeting and not take part in the discussion or vote. This applies even if there is provision for public speaking.
- (b) Disclosable Non Pecuniary Interest (DNPI) under the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council in May 2012. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DNPI interest, the Member may stay, speak and vote on the matter.
- (c) Where it is possible that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts would conclude that there was a real possibility that the member might be predetermined or biased the Member should declare their predetermination or bias and then leave the meeting while that item is considered.

**Advice to Members:** If any Councillor has any doubt about the existence or nature of any DPI or DNPI which he/she may have in any item on this agenda, he/she should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer, the Head of Legal or from other Solicitors in Legal Services as early as possible, and in advance of the Meeting.

5. Appointment of Mayor

To confirm the appointment of Councillor Simon Clark as Mayor for the civic year 2022/23.

6. Forthcoming Mayoral Year

The Mayor will outline the forthcoming Mayoral Year.

7. Vote of Thanks to retiring Mayor

A vote of thanks will be given to the retiring Mayor, Councillor Paul Stephen.

The retiring Mayor is invited to say a few words about their term as Mayor.

8. Appointment of Deputy Mayor

To confirm the appointment of Councillor Sarah Stephen as Deputy Mayor for the civic year 2022/23.

9. Establishment of Committees and their Terms of Reference - Report to follow

To agree the Council's Committees and their terms of reference.

- 10. Allocation of Committee Seats and Committee Appointments for 2022/23Report to follow
- 11. Borough Council Nominations to Outside Bodies and Trusts administered

by Swale Borough Council and Statutory Bodes - report to follow

To confirm Borough Council's nominations to outside bodes and trusts administered by Swale Borough Council and statutory bodies.

### 12. Timetable of Meetings

To agree the timetable of meetings in the municipal year 2022/23.

### Issued on Tuesday, 10 May 2022

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Annual Council Me	Annual Council Meeting					
Meeting Date	18 May 2022					
Report Title	Establishment of Committees and their terms of reference					
EMT Lead	David Clifford – Head of Policy, Governance and Customer					
Head of Service	Services					
Lead Officer	Jo Millard – Senior Democratic Services Officer					
Classification	Open					
Recommendations	To establish the Committees of the Council for the Municipal Year 2022/23 and agree their terms of reference as set out in Appendix I					

## 1 Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

1.1 This report requests the Council to formally establish the Committees for the municipal year 2022/23 and to agree their terms of reference.

## 2 Background

- 2.1 Council recently agreed Committees and terms of reference as part of the updated Constitution. However, it is ordinary practice for these Committees and terms of reference to be confirmed each year at Annual Council.
- 2.2 Appendix I sets out the terms of reference of Committees as currently agreed by the Council.

# 3 Proposals

3.1 To establish the Committees of the Council for the Municipal Year 2022/23 and agree their terms of reference.

# 4 Alternative Options

4.1 Any changes to the number of Committees, or their terms of reference, must be include in the Constitution and as such will require approval of the Council. Any proposal to establish or discontinue a Committee that is currently included within the Constitution, would affect the calculation of the allocation of seats on Committees and would require approval of the Council.

# 5 Consultation Undertaken or Proposed

5.1 All Group Leaders have been asked to provide Democratic Services with their Group's allocation to seats on Committees.

# 6 Implications

Issue	Implications					
Corporate Plan	The recommendations in this report contribute to the council priority to renew local democracy and make the council fit for the future.					
Financial, Resource and Property	The cost of servicing the Council's committees will be met within existing budgets. The establishment of any additional Committees would have financial and human resource implications.					
Legal, Statutory and Procurement	The Head of Legal has been consulted. The relevant legal provisions are set out in the body of the report.					
Crime and Disorder	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Crime and Disorder within their remits					
Environment and Climate/Ecological Emergency	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Environment and Climate/Ecological Emergency within their remits					
Health and Wellbeing	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Health and Wellbeing within their remits					
Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults within their remits					
Risk Management and Health and Safety	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Risk Management and Health and Safety within their remits					
Equality and Diversity	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Equality and Diversity within their remits					
Privacy and Data Protection	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Privacy and Data Protection within their remits					

# 7 Appendices

- 7.1 The following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report:
  - Appendix I: Terms of Reference of the Committees

# 8 Background Papers

Extraordinary Council 27 April 2022 - Committee System - Revised Constitution.



#### 2.1 Committees of the Council

#### 2.2.1 Policy and Resources Committee

#### Membership and functions of the Policy and Resources Committee

2.2.1.1 The Policy and Resources Committee shall be comprised of 15 members of the Council.

#### 2.2.1.2 The functions of the Committee are:

- i. to propose an annual revenue budget, capital budget, medium-term financial plan, and schedule of fees and charges to Council;
- ii. to coordinate the development of the Council's strategy and policy across service committees, and to adopt strategies and policies, where appropriate based on proposals from other service committees;
- iii. to propose to Council the strategies and policies the adoption of which is reserved to Council;
- iv. to maintain strategic oversight of all Council services, including oversight of resources, performance and risks;
- v. to exercise and delegate authority on behalf of the Council over all non-regulatory matters falling within the Committee's area of responsibility;
- vi. to exercise and delegate authority on behalf of the Council over all non-regulatory matters which fall within the area of responsibility of multiple service committees, or to determine which service committee should exercise or delegate such authority;
- vii. to commission, procure and manage external contractors on matters falling within the Committee's area of responsibility, and to maintain strategic oversight of the Council's commissioning and procurement processes;
- viii. to oversee the Council's relationships with partner organisations, and involvement in formal and informal partnerships, in matters falling within the committee's area of responsibility, including strategic relationships with government and Kent County Council;
- ix. to receive, and optionally to give effect to, recommendations from other Service Committees and from Subcommittees of the Policy and Resources Committee; and
- x. To consider amendments to the Constitution and to make recommendations on amendments or changes to Full Council.

- 2.2.1.3 The areas of responsibility of the Policy and Resources Committee are:
  - i. corporate strategy and corporate plan;
  - ii. development of annual budget and medium-term financial plan;
  - iii. overall budget management;
  - iv. overall risk management;
  - v. overall performance management;
  - vi. organisational health and safety;
  - vii. customer services, including oversight of service-related complaint handling;
  - viii. communications including website;
  - ix. transformation and digitisation;
  - x. commissioning and procurement systems and processes;
  - xi. revenues and benefits, including council tax collection and council tax support;
  - xii. corporate services including all Mid-Kent Services functions;
  - xiii. cemeteries;
  - xiv. members' and officers' learning and development;
  - xv. equality and diversity;
  - xvi. resilience, including emergency planning and business continuity; and
  - xvii. all matters relating to the Council's responsibilities as an employer.

#### **Subcommittees and Working Groups**

2.2.1.4 The Policy and Resources Committee may establish such subcommittees and/or working groups as it requires and may set the terms of reference and membership of those subcommittees and working groups. It shall also have the following subcommittees each comprised of 7 members of the Committee who have received appropriate training on the conducting of hearings and employment:

#### **Appointments Subcommittee**

- 2.2.1.5 The functions of the Appointments Subcommittee shall be to:
  - i. agree the appointments of Directors of the Council/Shared Services; and
  - ii. make recommendations to Full Council on the appointments of the Head of Paid Service, Monitoring Officer and Section 151 Officer.

#### **Investigation and Disciplinary Subcommittee**

- 2.2.1.6 The function of this Subcommittee shall be to consider any disciplinary action against one of the Council's statutory officers, the Head of Paid Service, Monitoring Officer or the section 151 Officer. The powers of the Subcommittee shall include, in accordance with the Employment Procedure Rules to;
  - i. suspend a statutory officer;
  - ii. appoint an investigating officer to carry out a disciplinary investigation in respect of a statutory officer;
  - iii. conduct a disciplinary hearing;
  - iv. recommend to Council the dismissal of a statutory officer; and
  - v. determine disciplinary action short of dismissal in respect of a statutory officer.

#### **Statutory Officers Disciplinary Appeals Subcommittee**

2.2.1.7 The function of this Subcommittee shall be to hear any disciplinary appeals brought by a statutory officers on any disciplinary sanction short of dismissal. No member may sit on the Appeals Subcommittee on a case which has been considered by them as a member of the Investigation and Disciplinary Subcommittee.

### **Planning and Transportation Policy Working Group**

- 2.2.1.8 The Policy and Resources Committee shall establish a working group to make recommendations to it on the following areas:
  - i. The development of planning policy including policies forming the local plan for recommendation to Council;
  - ii. Section 106 and community infrastructure levy;
  - iii. building and development control;
  - iv. transport; and
  - iv land charges.

#### 2.3 Service Committees

### 1.3.1 Membership and functions of all service committees

- 1.3.1.1 All service committees shall be comprised of 15 members of the Council.
- 1.3.1.2 All of the service committees shall exercise the following functions within their areas of responsibility:
  - to exercise and delegate authority on behalf of the Council over all non-regulatory matters falling wholly within the committee's area of responsibility;

- ii. to provide strategic oversight of Council services falling within the committee's area of responsibility, including oversight of resources and performance;
- iii. to commission, procure and manage external contractors on matters falling within the committee's area of responsibility;
- iv. to oversee Council relationships with partner organisations, and involvement in formal and informal partnerships, in matters falling within the committee's area of responsibility;
- v. to make recommendations to the Policy and Resources Committee on policies, strategies, budgets, fees and charges concerning services and other matters falling within the committee's area of responsibility; and
- vi. to appoint and oversee the work of any subcommittees.

#### 1.3.2 The areas of responsibility of the Community Committee are:

- i. inclusivity and tackling disadvantage;
- ii. crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour;
- iii. CCTV;
- iv. culture
- v. leisure and sport
- vi. play areas and outdoor fitness equipment
- vii. voluntary and community sector;
- viii. liaison with town and parish councils;
- ix. parking;
- x. heritage and conservation, including closed churchyards and
- xi. to act as the Council's crime and disorder (overview and scrutiny) committee for the purposes of and with the powers set out in the Police and Justice Act 2006, the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 and any regulations made under those Acts.

#### 1.3.3 The areas of responsibility of the Environment Committee are:

- i. refuse collection and recycling;
- ii. street cleansing:
- iii. climate and ecological emergency;
- iv. environmental response, including fly-tipping, contaminated land, animal welfare, pollution control, littering and illegal encampments;
- v. environmental health, including management of public health and safety risks;
- vi. air quality;

- vii. green spaces, open spaces and grounds maintenance;
- viii. flooding, sea defences and coastal protection;
- ix. active travel; and
- x. public conveniences.

#### 1.3.4 The areas of responsibility of the Housing and Health Committee are:

- i. housing advice, homelessness prevention and housing register;
- ii. affordable and social housing;
- iii. disabled facilities grants, home improvements and Staying Put;
- iv. empty dwellings;
- v. private-sector housing support and enforcement;
- vi. health inequalities;
- vii. liaison with public health, health providers and adult social care;
- viii. children and young people, including liaison with children's services; and
- ix. child and vulnerable adult safeguarding.

# 1.3.5 The areas of responsibility of the Regeneration and Property Committee are:

- i. Regeneration;
- ii. economic development;
- town centres and markets;
- iv. visitor economy;
- v. property asset management, including beach huts;
- vi. learning and skills; and
- vii. sea fronts, harbours and quays.

#### 1.3.6 Subcommittees and Working Groups

- 1.3.6.1 Service committees may set up subcommittees and/or working groups. The subcommittees will have decision making powers where these are delegated to them by the Committee. The subcommittees may make recommendations to the whole committee on particular elements of the area of responsibility of the committee.
- 1.3.6.2 The Housing and Health Committee shall have a Subcommittee called the Swale Rainbow Homes Shareholder Representation Subcommittee which shall be made up of members who have received appropriate training. This shall make decisions in respect of the Council's role as shareholder of Swale Rainbow Homes.

1.3.6.3 Any Subcommittee or Working Group must report to the Service Committee and its membership will be set by the Service Committee. The membership of a Subcommittee must be drawn from the parent committee but the membership of a working group need not do. The political balance rules and access to information rules will not apply to any working groups but they will operate in an open and transparent way and membership will be drawn from members who are from different political groups on the Council. Where a working group is to be supported by officers the Chief Executive will be consulted before it is established.

#### 2.4 Other Committees

#### 2.4.1 Audit Committee

- 2.4.1.1 The Audit Committee shall comprise of 9 members of the Council.
- 2.4.1.2 The purpose of the Audit Committee is to provide independent assurance of the adequacy of the risk management framework and the associated control environment, independent scrutiny of the authority's financial and nonfinancial performance to the extent that it affects the authority's exposure to risk and weakens the control environment, and to oversee the financial reporting process.

### 2.4.1.3 The Audit Committee has responsibility for:

#### **Audit Activity**

- To consider the Head of Audit Partnership's annual report and opinion, and a summary of audit activity (actual and proposed) and the level of assurance it can give over the council's governance arrangements, and any report from Internal Audit on agreed recommendations not implemented within a reasonable timescale;
- To consider reports dealing with the management and performance of Internal Audit Services, including consideration and endorsement of the 3 year Strategic Internal Audit Plan;
- iii. To consider the external auditor's annual letter, the report to those charged with governance, and any specific reports as agreed with the external auditor;
- iv. To oversee the appointment of the Council's external auditor, comment on the scope and depth of external audit work and ensure that it gives value for money;

#### Regulatory Framework

v. To review any issue referred to it by the Chief Executive or the

- Director or any Council body;
- vi. To monitor the effective development and operation of risk management and corporate governance in the Council;
- vii. To monitor council policies on 'Whistleblowing' and the 'Antifraud and Corruption Strategy';
- viii. To consider and comment on the authority's Annual Governance Statement and agree its adoption as part of the
- ix. approval of the annual accounts;
- x. To consider the Council's arrangements for governance and whether adequate safeguards are in place to secure compliance with its own and other published standards and controls and best practice;

#### **Accounts**

- xi. To review and approve the annual statement of accounts.

  Specifically, to consider whether there are concerns arising from the financial statement or from the audit that need to be brought to the attention of the Policy and Resources Committee or the Council;
- xii. To consider the external auditor's report to those charged with governance on issues from the audit of the accounts;
- xiii. To be responsible for ensuring effective scrutiny of the treasury management strategy and policies (Note: Council is responsible for adopting the Treasury Management strategy and policy); and

#### Reporting

xiv. To present an annual report to the Council providing assurance that the responsibilities of the Committee have been met.

#### 2.4.2 Urgent Decisions Committee

- 2.4.2.1 The Committee shall comprise of 7 Members of the Council, to include the Group Leaders subject to political balance rules.
- 2.4.2.2 The Committee shall have responsibility for exercising the functions of Full Council, if necessary, in cases where it is not possible to call a Full Council meeting, subject to a full report to the next available meeting of Full Council for information.

#### 2.4.3 Licensing Committee

- 2.4.3.1 The Licensing Committee shall comprise of 15 members of the Council who have received appropriate training on licensing.
- 2.4.3.2 The Committee shall have responsibility for:

- To review and make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee and thereafter full Council upon policy in relation to licensing matters under the Licensing Act 2003 and the statement of licensing policy;
- ii. To discharge the Council's functions as a Licensing Authority under the Licensing Act 2003, within agreed policy;
- v. To arrange for the discharge of any of the licensing functions exercisable by the Committee to an Officer of the Licensing Authority subject to the limitations set out in Section 10(4) of the Licensing Act 2003;
- vi. To review and make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee and thereafter full Council upon policy in relation to licensing matters under the Gambling Act 2005 and the statement principles;
- vii. To discharge the Council's functions as a Licensing Authority under the Gambling Act 2005, within agreed policy;
- viii. To arrange for the delegation of any of the licensing functions exercisable by the Committee to an Officer of the Licensing Authority subject to the limitations set out in Section 154 of the Gambling Act 2005;

#### General Licensing Matters

- To make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee on any matters of licensing policy;
- x. To review and make decisions in accordance with Council policy in licensing matters under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 Schedule 3 (Sex Establishments) and Schedule 4 (Street Trading) and the statement of principles;
- xi. to discharge the Council's functions as a Licensing Authority under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, within agreed policies;
- xii. To arrange for the delegation of any of the licensing functions exercisable by the Committee to an officer of the Licensing Authority subject to the limitations set out in Schedule 3 and Schedule 4 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982:

- xiii. To consider enforcement action against Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Operators under the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976 and Town Police Clauses Act 1984;
- xiv. To discharge all licensing functions of the Council not reserved to Full Council:
- xv. To exercise the Council's functions under any of the relevant statutory provisions relating to Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974, as far as they are the responsibility of the Council; and
- xvi. To make decisions on matters relating to the Council's responsibilities in respect of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles and Drivers.
- 2.4.3. The Licensing Committee shall have a Licensing Act Subcommittee and a General Licensing Subcommittee each comprised of 3 members of the Committee.
- 2.4.3.1 The Licensing Act Subcommittee shall have responsibility for:

#### Licensing Act 2003

- i. Application for a personal licence if any objection is made;
- ii. Application for a personal licence where a person has any unspent convictions;
- iii. Application for a premises/club premises licence if a representation is made;
- iv. Application for a provisional statement if representation is made;
- v. Application to vary the DPS if the police object;
- vi. Application for the transfer of premises licence if the police object;
- vii. Application for interim authority if the police object;
- viii. Application to review a premises/club premises licence
- ix. Decision to object when the Councils a consultee and not the Licensing Authority; and
- x. 10. Application for a temporary event notice when the police object.

#### Gambling Act

xi. Application for a premises licence where representations have been received:

- xii. Application to vary a premises licence where representations have been received:
- xiii. Application to transfer a licence where representations have been received;
- xiv. Application for a provisional statement where representations have been received;
- xv. Review of a premises licence;
- xvi. Application for club gaming machine permits where representations have been received;
- xvii. Cancellation of a club gaming machine permit; and
- xviii. Application for more than 4 gaming machine permits in a licensed premises.
- 2.4.3.2 The General Licensing Subcommittee shall have responsibility for making decisions about individual licensing matters and appeals where not otherwise delegated to the Head of Environment and Leisure Services or the Head of Housing and Community Services.

#### 2.4.4 Planning Committee

- 2.4.4.1 The Planning Committee shall be comprised of 17 members of the Council who have received appropriate training on planning.
- 2.4.4.2 The Committee shall have responsibility for making decisions under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, including:
  - The granting of permissions, or approvals;
  - ii. Refusals of permissions;
  - iii. Applications for listed building and conservation area consent;
  - iv. Resolution to make and confirm tree preservation orders;
  - v. Orders under Section 215 relating to maintenance of waste land and resolution to prosecute for noncompliance with an order;
  - vi. Resolution to serve enforcement notices and listed building enforcement notices and service of "stop notices", or resolution to prosecute in the case of failure to comply with any type of confirmed order;
  - vii. Resolution to serve a repairs notice and to carry out urgent works to preserve listed buildings under Sections 48 and 54 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990;

- viii. Resolution to prosecute for the unauthorised display of advertisements.
- ix. Agreements under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended);
- x. Notices under Section 79 of the Building Act 1984;
- xi. To respond to consultations on any planning applications to be carried out by and/or determined by other Authorities, Agencies or Government Departments;
- xii. The determination of applications for development to be carried out by the Council;
- xiii. To resolve to make an Article 4 Direction;
- xiv. To resolve to make an 'Area of Special Control' under the Advertisement Regulations;
- xv. To resolve to secure the preservation of a building under Sections 3 and 4 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 or such other relevant legislation as may be enacted thereafter;
- xvi. To resolve to revoke a planning permission;
- xvii. To resolve to accept a Purchase Notice;
- xviii. To resolve to serve a discontinuance order;
- xix. To determine other related planning matters including conservation, tree preservation, advertisement control, building preservation and functions the subject of agency.

#### NOTE

A. that in cases where the Committee is minded to make a decision that would be contrary to officer recommendation and contrary to policy and/or guidance, the Chair should invite the Head of Planning to request the Committee to consider if the application should be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee or if there should be a short adjournment

- for Officers to consider the views of the Planning Committee and to give further advice.
- B. that in cases where the Committee determines an application contrary to officer recommendation a full record should be made of the reasons for rejecting the recommendation.
- 2.4..4.3 The Committee shall have a Working Group called the Planning Committee Site Visits Group. It shall be comprised of members of the committee and ward councillors will be invited to attend. Its responsibility will be to visit sites the subject of planning applications, as directed by the Planning Committee, and report back to the subsequent meeting Planning Committee. See Planning Committee Procedural Rules in Part 3 of this Constitution.

#### 2..4.5 Standards Committee

- 2.4.5.1 The Committee shall be comprised of 11 members of the Council plus three non-voting co-opted Parish representatives.
- 2.4.5.2 The Committee shall have the following responsibilities:
  - to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by Members and co-opted members of the authority and Parish Councils within the Borough;
  - ii. to recommend to Full Council for adoption a code dealing with the conduct that is expected of members and co-opted members of the Council when they are acting in that capacity;
  - iii. to monitor and review the Code of Conduct as appropriate to ensure it is consistent with the following principles: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership;
  - iv. to ensure that the Code of Conduct includes the provision that the authority considers appropriate in respect of the registration in its register, and disclosure, of (a) pecuniary interests, and (b) interests other than pecuniary interests which the Council thinks appropriate;
  - v. to put in place arrangements under which allegations can be investigated and decisions on allegations can be made. Such arrangements to include provision for the appointment by the authority of at least one independent person and to cover Parish Councils in the Borough;

- vi. to consider applications for the grant of dispensations in accordance with the provisions contained within S.33 (b) (c) and (d)of the Localism Act 2011; and
- vii. to set the allowances and expenses for the Independent Person.
- 2.4.5.3 The Committee shall have a Subcommittee called the Standards Hearing Panel.
- 2.4.5.4 The Standards Hearing Panel shall be comprised of 3 members of the Committee who have received appropriate training on the conducting of hearings.
- 2.4.5.5 The Standards Hearing Panel shall have the following responsibilities:
  - to consider any matter referred for investigation in accordance with the arrangements adopted by the Council for considering any allegation that a member or co-opted member of the Council or a Parish Council in the Borough has failed to comply with the Code of conduct; and
  - ii. to conduct a hearing and decide whether a member has failed to comply with the Code of Conduct and, if so determine what action(s) to take in accordance with the Council's arrangements

#### 2.5 Area Committees

- 2.5.1 The purpose of area committees is to enhance the quality of life and of council services in the relevant area and to bring greater local insight to bear in council decision-making.
- 2.5.2 The Membership of each Area Committee shall include all ward members in the area. Area committee boundaries will align with ward boundaries. Substitute Members are not permitted on Area Committees.
- 2.5.3 There shall be Area Committees for the following areas;
  - i. Eastern (Abbey; Boughton and Courtenay; East Downs; Priory; St Ann's; Teynham and Lynsted; Watling).12 Members (quorum: four Members);
  - ii. Sheppey (Minster Cliffs; Queenborough and Halfway; Sheerness; Sheppey Central; Sheppey East). 14 Members (quorum: five Members);

- iii. Sittingbourne (Chalkwell; Homewood; Kemsley; Milton Regis; Murston; Roman). 11 Members (quorum: four Members);
- iv. Western (Bobbing, Iwade and Lower Halstow; Borden and Grove Park; Hartlip, Newington and Upchurch; The Meads; Woodstock; West Downs). 10 Members (quorum: three Members).
- 2.5.4. The Area Committees shall have the following responsibilities:
  - i. develop a work programme to enhance core services within the area and take a report to council on an annual basis to provide an update on progress;
  - ii. agree spending decisions in relation to specific funding allocated to members of the Committee;
  - iii. provide area intelligence to the Policy and Resources Committee and heads of service, and assist with policy development on relevant matters; and
  - iii. make recommendations to Full Council, Policy and Resources Committee or any Service Committee on issues in the committee's area and respond to any other specific matter referred to it by Full Council, a committee or a senior council officer.
- 2.5.5 Each Member will receive an identical amount of specific funding, established in each annual council budget, to be allocated to projects in consultation and agreement with the Area Committee at large. Members may make proposals for allocating any part of the amount remaining to them at any meeting of the Area Committee, and the Committee's agreement will be decided by a simple majority of Members present. The pooling of individual Members' amounts is permissible. Any amount for which an allocation has not been agreed by the Area Committee by the end of the financial year will be forfeited, and no rollovers will be permitted. Any funding allocation agreed by the Committee but unspent by the end of each electoral cycle will also be forfeited.

#### 2.6 Joint Arrangements

- 2.6.1 Kent Resource Partnership: Swale representative appointed by the Environment Committee.
- 2.6.2 South Thames Gateway Building Control Joint Committee: Swale representative appointed by the Policy and Resources Committee.

Annual Council Me	Meeting						
Meeting Date	18 May 2022						
Report Title	Allocation of Committee seats and Committee appointments for 2022/23						
EMT Lead	David Clifford – Head of Policy, Governance and Customer						
Head of Service	Services						
Lead Officer	Jo Millard – Senior Democratic Services Officer						
Classification	Open						
Recommendations	That Council is asked to agree the political balance calculation as set out in Appendix I.						
	2. That Council is asked to allocate seats to those Committees and to agree the appointment of Members to those Committees, in accordance with the wishes of Group Leaders, as set out in Appendix II.						
	3. Groups' nominations for Swale's membership of the Joint Transportation Board can be found in Appendix III. Council is asked to determine JTB membership based on these nominations.						

# 1 Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

1.1 Political groups on the Council are formed in accordance with the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 when 2 or more Councillors must notify the Proper Officer of their wish to be treated as a group. This report sets out the political balance and committee seat allocations for the civic year 2022/23.

# 2 Background

- 2.1 Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 requires Local Authorities to review the allocation of seats on Committees at the annual meeting, or as soon as possible after it (set out in Appendix I). This was last agreed at Council in November 2021 when there were changes to the membership of political groups. A review is necessary as the Council implements the Committee System. In addition, there has been a change in membership of a political group. Once the Council has agreed the allocation of Committee places between the political groups the Council must then appoint the nominees of the political groups to the Committees.
- 2.2 The following principles apply to the allocation of seats:

- (a) That not all seats on the body to which appointments are being made are allocated to the same political group;
- (b) That the majority of seats on each Committee is allocated to a particular group if the number of persons belong to that group is a majority of the authority's membership;
- (c) Subject to (a) and (b), that, when allocating seats to a political group, the total number of their seats across all the ordinary committees of the Council, must reflect their proportion of the authority's membership; and
- (d) Subject to (a) and (c), that the number of seats on each Committee is as far as possible in proportion to the group's membership of the authority.
- 2.3 There are 134 seats to be allocated under the new Committee System, noting that ungrouped Members do not automatically receive a proportion. The seat entitlement of each group on each Committee is thus based on the group's percentage representation on the Council as a whole as detailed in Appendix II. Whilst an initial version of this can be calculated mathematically, this usually results in a discrepancy between the strict entitlement of each group and the overall number of Committee seats to be allocated, requiring 'manual' adjustment to ensure that the number seats allocated to each group is fair. This process is known as 'gifting'.
- 2.4 To ensure overall political balance, the SIA are required to give up 3 seats in total and gift 2 seats to the Labour Group. This plus other adjustments, are set out in Appendix I.
- 2.5 Whilst sub-committees are also governed by the political balance rules, the overall requirement for total places to be balanced only applies to ordinary committees so sub-committee places do not need to be included in the overall calculation, but the membership of sub-committee places should be proportionate as far as is reasonably practical.
- 2.6 The Joint Transportation Board and the Planning and Transportation Policy Working Group are not committees covered by Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972 and Section 15 of the Local Government Housing Act does not apply. The membership of the Planning and Transportation Policy Working Group will be for the Policy and Resources Committee to determine at its June meeting. While the Swale membership of the Joint Transportation Board does not need to be politically balanced, it does need to be agreed by Council.
- 2.7 Group Leaders have been requested to provide nominations to the places on Committees to which their respective groups are entitled; this has been set out in Appendix II.

# 3 Proposals

3.1 That Council is asked to agree the political balance calculation as set out in Appendix I.

- 3.2 That Council is asked to allocate seats to those Committees and to agree to the appointment of Members to those Committees, in accordance with the wishes of Group Leaders, as set out in Appendix II.
- 3.3 Groups' nominations for Swale's membership of the Joint Transportation Board can be found in Appendix III. Council is asked to determine JTB membership based on these nominations.

### 4 Alternative Options

4.1 Council can decide to change the number and size of Committees, however, this will have an impact on the number of seats available on the Council and will therefore require the political balance to be re-calculated to reflect this. Members are encouraged to make officers aware in advance of the meeting of any proposals of this nature.

### 5 Consultation Undertaken or Proposed

5.1 All Group Leaders have been asked to advise Democratic Services of their nominations to seats on Committees for their respective Groups. This will be circulated at the Council meeting.

### 6 Implications

Issue	Implications				
Corporate Plan	The recommendations in this report contribute to the council priority to renew local democracy and make the council fit for the future.				
Financial, Resource and Property	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Financial, Resource and Property within their remits.				
Legal, Statutory and Procurement	The Head of Legal has been consulted on this report. The relevant legal provisions are set out in the body of the report.				
Crime and Disorder	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Crime and Disorder within their remits.				
Environment and Climate/Ecological Emergency	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Environment and Climate/Ecological Emergency within their remits.				
Health and Wellbeing	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Health and Wellbeing within their remits.				

Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults within their remits.
Risk Management and Health and Safety	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Risk Management and Health and Safety within their remits.
Equality and Diversity	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Equality and Diversity within their remits.
Privacy and Data Protection	The Council's Committee Structure includes Committee(s) with Privacy and Data Protection within their remits.

# 7 Appendices

- 7.1 The following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report:
  - Appendix I: Political Balance Calculation
  - Appendix II: Membership of Committees
  - Appendix III: Groups' Nominations for Swale Membership of JTB

# 8 Background Papers

None

#### **Political Balance Calculations** May 2022

													Independent			Independent		T				Rounded		$\top$
Group		Conservative		Labour			SIA			Lib Dem			Group			First		Green		Ungrouped		Total	Shortfal	Total
																				0 1				
Number of Members		15		10			8			4	ļ		3			3		2			2			47
Overall proportionality		0.319148936		0.21276596			0.170212766			0.085106383	}		0.063829787			0.063829787		0.04255319	)		0			0.95745
Total entitlement		42.76595745		28.5106383			22.80851064			11.40425532	!		8.553191489			8.553191489		5.70212766	;		0			134
Total rounded entitlement		43		29			23			11			9			9		6	;	(	0		4	130
	<b>.</b> .	Strict		Strict			Strict			Strict			Strict			Strict		Strict		Strict				
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						possibilites			possibilities															
Service Committees						highlighted below*			highlighted below**															
Policy and Resources	15	4.787234043	5	3.19148936	3	3 3	2.553191489	3	<b>3 3</b> ······	1.276595745	1		0.957446809	1		0.957446809	1	0.63829787	1	0	0	15	0	
Community	15	4.787234043	5	3.19148936	3		2.553191489	3		1.276595745	1		0.957446809	1		0.957446809	1	0.63829787	1	0	0	15	0	
Environment	15	4.787234043	5	3.19148936	3		2.553191489	3		1.276595745	1		0.957446809	1		0.957446809	1	0.63829787	1	0	0	15	0	
Housing and Health	15	4.787234043	5	3.19148936	3	1	2.553191489	3	-1	1.276595745	1		0.957446809	1		0.957446809	1	0.63829787	1	0	0	15	0	
Regeneration and Property	15	4.787234043	5	3.19148936	3		2.553191489	3		1.276595745	1		0.957446809	1		0.957446809	1	0.63829787	1	0	0	15	0	
Regulatory Committees																								
Licensing	15	4.787234043	5	3.19148936	3	1	2.553191489	3	-1	1.276595745	1		0.957446809	1		0.957446809	1	0.63829787	1	0	0	15	0	
Planning	17	5.425531915	5	3.61702128	4		2.893617021	3		1.446808511	. 1	1	1.085106383	1		1.085106383	1	0.72340426	5 1	0	0	16	1	
Other Committees																								
Urgent Decisions	7	2.234042553	2	1.4893617	1		1.191489362	1		0.595744681	. 1		0.446808511	0	1	0.446808511	0 1	0.29787234	0	0	0	5	2	
Audit	9	2.872340426	3	1.91489362	2		1.531914894	2	-1	0.765957447	1		0.574468085	1		0.574468085	1	0.38297872	2 0	0	0	10	-1	
Standards	11	3.510638298	4	2.34042553	2		1.872340426	2		0.936170213	1		0.70212766	1		0.702127660	1	0.46808511	. 0	0	0	11	0	
Total Seats	134	42.765957447	44	28.5106383	27		22.80851064	26		11.40425532	10		8.553191489	9		8.553191489	9	5.70212766	5 7	0	0	132	′	
Total Seats Inc Shortfall																								
Adjustment			44			29			23			11		10			10		7		0	134		

To achieve overall balance:

SIA - in order to achieve total rounded entitlement, to give up 1 seat on Audit (in order to comply with the size of the membership of the Committee) and also to gift 2 seats to Labour seat on Housing and Health, 1 seat on Licensing.

Lib Dentito gain a seat on Planning Committee to fill the shortfall seat, as they are the closest party to be rounded up and to achieve their Total rounded entitlement.

In order fulfill the committee membership of the Urgent Decisions Committee, it is suggested that the 2 shortfall seats be allocated to the Independent Group and Independent First respectively.

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Annual Council Meeting						
Meeting Date	18 May 2022					
Report Title	Borough Council nominations to outside bodies, trusts administered by Swale Borough Council and statutory bodies					
EMT Lead	David Clifford – Head of Policy, Governance and Customer Services					
Head of Service						
Lead Officer	Jo Millard – Senior Democratic Services Officer					
Classification	Open					
Recommendations	The Council is asked to agree Borough Council nominations to outside bodies, trusts administered by Swale Borough Council and statutory bodies.					

### 1 Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

1.1 This report is asking the Council to agree nominations to outside bodies, trusts administered by Swale Borough Council and statutory bodies.

# 2 Background

- 2.1 Council agreed a protocol on nominations to outside bodies in 2011. This includes a requirement that a nominee's role is clearly defined, that the outside body is properly constituted, and that its aims and objectives are compatible with the Council's. The protocol further requires that the nominee is indemnified against relevant liabilities by the outside body.
- 2.2 A Council nominee who accepts a position onto a board, trust or statutory body carries responsibilities and liabilities in law and nominees should consider these carefully before accepting the position. Further information can be obtained from the legal team.
- 2.3 Nomination to an outside body, once accepted, is a disclosable non-pecuniary interest under Swale's code of conduct, and the nominee will need to amend their register of interests accordingly.

# 3 Proposals

3.1 The Council is asked to consider the Group Leaders nominations and decide who should be appointed to sit on each body as set out in Appendix I.

# 4 Alternative Options

4.1 Council could decide whether or not to make nominations to these outside bodies, and there is no obligation to make any nomination at all.

# 5 Consultation Undertaken or Proposed

5.1 The proposals in this report follow consultation with Group Leaders.

# 6 Implications

Issue	Implications					
Corporate Plan	Nominations to outside bodies contribute to the council priority to renew local democracy and make the council fit for the future					
Financial, Resource and Property	The cost of servicing the Council's committees will be met within existing budgets. The establishment of any additional Committee dates would have financial and human resource implications.					
Legal, Statutory and Procurement	Nominations to some outside bodies are as trustees and/or directors, which carries specific legal responsibilities and liabilities for the individual member.					
	To ensure compliance with the Members' Code of Conduct any member taking up a position on an outside body must review the interests declared in their register of interests within 28 days of the position becoming effective.					
Crime and Disorder	None identified at this stage.					
Environment and Climate/Ecological Emergency	None identified at this stage.					
Health and Wellbeing	None identified at this stage.					
Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults	None identified at this stage.					
Risk Management and Health and Safety	None identified at this stage.					

Equality and Diversity	None identified at this stage.				
Privacy and Data Protection	None identified at this stage				

# 7 Appendices

- 7.1 The following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report:
  - Appendix I: Current nominations on trusts and outside bodies and proposed nominations Council appointed

# 8 Background Papers

None.



Organisation	Current Nominations	Nominations for 2022/23			
Action with Communities in Rural Kent	Cllr Mike Baldock (expires 2022) Cllr Monique Bonney (expires 2022) Cllr Ben J Martin (expires 2022)	Cllr David Simmons Cllr Ken Ingleton Cllr Mike Dendor Cllr Monique Bonney			
Bensted's Charity	Cllr Ben J. Martin (expires 2023) Cllr Julian Saunders (expires 2023) Cllr Hannah Perkin (expires 2025) Hon Ald. Anita Walker (expires 2022) Cllr Tim Valentine (expires 2025)	Only one nomination required to fill the vacancy see note below  Hon. Ald Anita Walker Cllr Eddie Thomas			
Charity of Sir William Stede	Cllr Steve Davey (expires May 2023) Cllr Tony Winckless (expires May 2023) Cllr Ghlin Whelan (expires May 2023)	No nominations required			
Citizens Advice Service, Swale	Cllr Tim Gibson (expires 2022) Cllr Hannah Perkin (expires 2022) Cllr Paul Stephen (expires 2022)	Cllr Peter Marchington Cllr Nicholas Hampshire Cllr Mike Dendor Cllr Hannah Perkin Cllr Paul Stephen Cllr Tim Gibson			
Council for Voluntary Services  Faversham Swimming	Cllr Lee McCall (expires 2022) Cllr Ken Rowles (expires 2022) Cllr Sarah Stephen (expires 2022) Cllr Tim Valentine (expires	Cllr Mike Dendor Cllr Cameron Beart Cllr Pete Neal Cllr Sarah Stephen Cllr Ken Rowles Cllr Lee McCall Cllr Tim Valentine (to 31			
Pool Management Committee Kent and Medway Health and Wellbeing	31 January 2024)  Cllr Angela Harrison Cllr Hannah Perkin (sub)	No longer required			
Board Kent Downs and Marshes Local Action Group (LAG)	Cllr Tim Valentine	*please see note below  **please see note below			
Kent Downs AONB Joint Advisory Committee	Cllr Monique Bonney (expires 2022)	Cllr David Simmons			

Organisation	Current Nominations	Nominations for 2022/23				
Lower Medway Internal Drainage Board	Cllr Monique Bonney (expires 2022) Cllr Derek Carnell (expires 2022) Cllr Ken Ingleton (expires 2022) Cllr Peter Marchington (expires 2022) Cllr Richard Palmer (expires 2022) Cllr Ken Rowles (expires 2022)	Cllr Ken Ingleton Cllr Peter Marchington Cllr James Hunt Cllr Cameron Beart Cllr Alan Horton Cllr Lloyd Bowen Cllr Richard Palmer Cllr Derek Carnell Cllr Monique Bonney				
Medway Maritime Hospital	New Outside Body	Cllr Angela Harrison				
Oare Gunpowder Works Advisory Group	Vacancy Cllr Eddie Thomas (expires 2022) Cllr Mike Whiting (expires 2022)	Cllr Mike Whiting Cllr Lloyd Bowen Cllr Ann Hampshire Cllr Eddie Thomas Cllr Ken Rowles				
Optivo Kent General Panel	Cllr Ghlin Whelan (expires 2022)	Cllr Mike Dendor Cllr Ghlin Whelan				
PATROL Adjudication Joint Committee (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London Adjudication Joint Committee)	Cllr Richard Palmer (expires 2022) Cllr Elliott Jayes (sub) (expires 2022)	Cllr Richard Palmer Cllr Elliott Jayes				
Police and Crime Panel	Cllr Richard Palmer (expires 2022)	Cllr Richard Palmer				
Sheppey Matters	Cllr Oliver Eakin <i>(expires 2022)</i>	Cllr Oliver Eakin Cllr Elliot Jayes Cllr Lee McCall				
South East England Councils	Cllr Roger Truelove (expires 2022) Cllr Mike Baldock (sub) (expires 2022)	Cllr Mike Baldock Cllr Monique Bonney				
Swale District Partnership Conservation	Cllr Angela Harrison (expires 2022)	Cllr Angela Harrison				

Organisation	Current Nominations	Nominations for 2022/23
United Charities of Milton Regis	Cllr Steve Davey (expires May 2023) Cllr Tony Winckless (expires May 2023) Cllr Derek Carnell (expires May 2023) Cllr Ghlin Whelan (expires May 2023)	No nominations required
West Faversham Community Association	Cllr Carole Jackson (expires 2022)	Cllr David Simmons Cllr Carole Jackson

<sup>\*</sup>Kent and Medway Joint Health and Wellbeing Board has been disestablished, with its last meeting on 15 March.

<sup>\*</sup>The Kent Downs and Marshes Leader Programme has effectively now come to an end and. Cllr. Tim Valentine may remain in position.



Annual Council Meeting							
Meeting Date	18 May 2022						
Report Title	Timetable of Meetings						
EMT Lead	David Clifford – Head of Policy, Governance and Custome						
Head of Service	Services						
Lead Officer	Jo Millard – Senior Democratic Services Officer						
Classification	Open						
Recommendations	That Council agrees the programme of meetings set out in Appendix I to this report.						

### 1 Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

1.1 Each year, the timetable of meetings is submitted to Annual Council to agree the proposed programme for the next municipal year.

### 2 Background

- 2.1 The Constitution requires the Council to agree a programme of meetings for the forthcoming municipal year.
- 2.2 Appendix I sets out a programme of meetings (including foot notes)
- 2.3 The timetable takes account of the need to ensure that important financial decisions such as the budget are taken in a timely manner and that meetings of the planning committee are scheduled to allow timeliness targets to be achieved. The timetable also sets dates for Member Training, should these be necessary.
- 2.4 The timetable tries to ensure that as far as possible extraordinary meetings of committees will not be necessary, as these can be difficult to arrange and have unplanned-for resource implications.

# 3 Proposals

3.1 That Members agree the proposed programme of meetings for the rest of the ensuring municipal year.

# 4 Alternative Options

4.1 The Council could suggest changes to the timetable of meetings, but the timetable proposed has been carefully planned to ensure key deadlines for decision-making can be met. Any changes to the Committee structure would lead to amendments to the timetable of meetings.

# 5 Consultation Undertaken or Proposed

5.1 The draft timetable has previously been circulated to the Group Leaders and the Strategic Management Team.

# 6 Implications

Issue	Implications
Corporate Plan	The recommendations in this report contribute to the council priority to renew local democracy and make the council fit for the future.
Financial, Resource and Property	The cost of servicing the Council's committees will be met within existing budgets. The establishment of any additional Committee dates would have financial and human resource implications.
Legal, Statutory and Procurement	None identified at this stage.
Crime and Disorder	None identified at this stage.
Environment and Climate/Ecological Emergency	None identified at this stage.
Health and Wellbeing	None identified at this stage.
Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults	None identified at this stage.
Risk Management and Health and Safety	None identified at this stage.
Equality and Diversity	None identified at this stage.

Privacy and Data	None identified at this stage
Protection	

# 7 Appendices

- 7.1 The following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report:
  - Appendix I: Timetable of meetings

# 8 Background Papers

None



# Timetable of Meetings 2022 - 2023

Meeting	Day	June 2022	July 2022	Aug 2022	Sept 2022	Oct 2022	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	March 2023	April 2023	May 2023
Council	Wed	15	27			12	16	7	18	22		5	17
Audit Committee	Mon/Tu /We/Th		25 <sup>Mon</sup>		21 <sup>Wed</sup>		15 <sup>Tu</sup>				30 <sup>Th</sup>		
Licensing Committee	Tu/We /Th		26 <sup>Tu</sup>			20 <sup>Th</sup>				15 Wed			
Planning and Transportation Policy	Tu/We /Th	22 <sup>Wed</sup>	6 <sup>Wed</sup>		20 <sup>Tu</sup>	6 <sup>Th</sup>	24 <sup>Th</sup>		26 <sup>Th</sup>		16 <sup>™</sup>		
Planning Committee	Thurs	23	21	18	15	13	10	8	12	9	9	13	25
Community Committee	Tu/We /Th	28 <sup>Tu</sup>			7 <sup>Wed</sup>		1 <sup>Tu</sup>		10 <sup>Tu</sup>		1 Wed		2 <sup>Tu</sup>
<b>Environment Committee</b>	Tu/We /Th	30 <sup>Th</sup>			8 <sup>Th</sup>		3 <sup>Th</sup>		11 Wed		2 <sup>Th</sup>		3 Wed
Housing and Health Committee	Tu/We /Th		5 <sup>Tu</sup>		13 <sup>Tu</sup>		8 <sup>Tu</sup>		17 <sup>Tu</sup>		7 <sup>Tu</sup>		9 <sup>Tu</sup>
Regeneration and Property Committee	Tu/We /Th		7 <sup>Th</sup>		14 Wed		9 Wed		19 <sup>Th</sup>		8 Wed		11 <sup>Th</sup>
Rollicy and Resources Committee	Wed	8	13		28	19	23	14		1	22		24
andards Committee <sup>1</sup>	Tues	14			27			20			23 <sup>Th</sup>		
wale Joint Transportation Board	Mon	20			5			5		27			
Western Area Committee	Tues	9 <sup>Th</sup>			1 <sup>Th</sup>			1 <sup>Th</sup>		16 <sup>Th</sup>			
Sittingbourne Area Committee	Tues	21			6 <sup>Tu</sup>			13		23 <sup>Th</sup>			
Sheppey Area Committee	Tues	7			22 <sup>Th</sup>			6		21			
Eastern Area Committee	Tues	16 Th			29 <sup>Th</sup>			15 <sup>Th</sup>		28			
Member Training <sup>2</sup>	Tu/We /Th	8 <sup>Wed</sup>	19 <sup>Tu</sup>			11 <sup>Tu</sup> 18 <sup>Tu</sup>	17 <sup>™</sup> 29 <sup>™</sup>			2 <sup>Th</sup>	21 <sup>Tu</sup>	20 <sup>Th</sup>	23 <sup>Tu</sup>

Please see notes below.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Hearing sub-Committees will be arranged as and when, similar to the arrangement of Licensing Sub-Committees  $^{2}$  Some training/briefing sessions might be held prior to some scheduled meetings

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