Council Meeting

Meeting Date	21 February 2018
Report Title	Timetable of Meetings
Cabinet Member	Leader
SMT Lead	Chief Executive
Head of Service	n/a
Lead Officer	Democratic and Electoral Services Manager
Key Decision	No
Classification	Open
Forward Plan	Reference number: n/a

Recommendations 1. That Annual Council agrees the programme of meetings set out in Appendix I to this report.	
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1 Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

1.1 Each year the Timetable of Meetings is submitted to Annual Council to agree the programme for the next Municipal Year. To allow for future programming, the timetable is submitted to Council in February for ratification and then presented to Annual Council for noting.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Constitution requires the Council to approve a programme of meetings for the forthcoming Municipal Year.
- 2.2 Appendix I sets out a suggested programme of meetings (including foot notes). This is largely based on the previous year's programme, but Council and Cabinet Meetings have been scheduled to be more spread out throughout the year and to meet key deadlines. The timetable also covers the following criteria:
 - (i) Planning meetings set to meet planning targets;
 - (ii) Council meetings set to ensure financial decisions are made on time;
 - (iii) Certain meetings meet on an 'as and when' basis and as such are not programmed into the timetable;

3 Proposal

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

4 Alternative Options

4.1 The Council could suggest changes to the timetable of meetings, but the timetable proposed will ensure decision making meets key deadlines. Any changes to the Committee structure would lead to amendments to the timetable of meetings. Any additional meetings would have financial and human resource implications.

5 Consultation Undertaken or Proposed

1.2 The draft timetable has previously been circulated to the Group Leaders, the Scrutiny Committee Chairman, the Policy Development and Review Committee Chairman, Management Team and Heads of Service.

6 Implications

Issue	Implications
Corporate Plan	A Council to be proud of.
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 and Statutory	None identified at this stage.
Crime and Disorder	None identified at this stage.
Sustainability	None identified at this stage.
Health and Wellbeing	None identified at this stage.
Risk Management and Health and Safety	None identified at this stage.
Equality and Diversity	None identified at this stage.

7 Appendices

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.