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Committee Council

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2013 meeting schedule

1. Purpose

To adopt the Council's meeting schedule for the 2013 calendar year.

2. The decision-making process and significance

The matter requiring decision in this report has been considered by officers against the requirements of Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002.

2.1 Significance of the decision

Officers have considered the significance of the matter, taking into account the Council's significance policy and decision-making guidelines. Due to the procedural nature of this decision officers recommend that the matter be considered to have low significance.

Officers do not consider that a formal record outlining consideration of the decision-making process is required in this instance.

3. Comment

Attachment 1 to this report sets out the Council's proposed meeting schedule for the 2013 calendar year until the October local authority elections.

The schedule:

- Is based on an approximately six week meeting cycle for the Council and committees
- Takes the statutory and procedural obligations of the Council, including the financial cycle, into account
- Will probably require minor adjustments as the year progresses
- Was circulated to territorial authorities for comment on dates relevant to them.

4. Communication

Once adopted, the schedule will be circulated to key stakeholders.

In accordance with legislation, public notice of formal meetings will be given at the appropriate times once the schedule has been adopted.

5. Recommendations

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. *Notes* the content of the report.
- 3. Adopts the 2013 meeting schedule as set out in Attachment 1 to this report.
- 4. **Authorises** the Manager, Democratic Services to circulate the schedule to key stakeholders, and to modify the schedule as and when required, in accordance with Standing Orders.

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Attachment 1: Dates for Council and Committee meetings in 2013