

DRAFTPORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

PROPOSED INDIVIDUAL DECISION BY THE LEADER

TOPIC - PROPOSED TIMETABLE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2014/15

PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

The Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 4, Section 22 of the Council's Constitution provides for a decision to be made by an individual member of Cabinet.

In accordance with the Procedure Rules, the Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Executive and the Chief Finance Officer are consulted together with Chairman and Vice Chairman of The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and any other relevant overview and scrutiny committee. In addition, all Members are notified.

If five or more Members from those informed so request, the Leader may require the matter to be referred to Cabinet for determination.

If you wish to make representation on this proposed Decision please contact the relevant Portfolio Holder and the following Democratic Services Officer by 5.00pm on Wednesday 15 January 2014.

Contact Officers:

Case Officer: Nancy Graham, Tel: 01962 848 235, ngraham@winchester.gov.uk

<u>Democratic Services Officer:</u> Nancy Graham (as above)

SUMMARY

- The attached timetable for 2014/15 is based on the timetable agreed for 2013/14, with dates agreed up until the end of August 2014 (PHD456 refers, as amended to take account of the May 2014 election date).
- In compiling the timetable, the following assumptions have been retained:
 - Cabinet meetings will continue to meet six-weekly (apart from during the budget cycle where it will continue to meet more frequently, and other the summer recess where there is a longer break);
 - The Overview &Scrutiny Committee has, wherever possible, been scheduled to meet on a Monday following a Cabinet meeting.

PHD549 Ward(s): General

 The April 2015 Council has been moved earlier to fall outside the Easter school holidays;

- Planning Development Control (PDC) Committee will continue to meet on one full day (usually a Thursday) every four weeks, commencing at 9.30am.
- o full Council meetings have been generally scheduled to avoid County Council school holidays and political party conferences. Unfortunately, the February budget meetings have to tie in with the County Council budget setting which means that the February 2015 Council does fall within the school half-term holidays.
- o there are no direct clashes of meetings.
- meetings of the Cabinet (Traffic and Parking) Committee and Cabinet (Local Development Framework) Committee will continue to be arranged on an ad-hoc basis, as will Licensing & Regulation Sub-Committee meetings.
- Meetings of the same Committees have been scheduled to meet on the same day of the week (e.g. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee on a Monday and Audit Committee on a Thursday etc);
- Meetings of Cabinet and The Overview and Scrutiny Committee have been scheduled to avoid party political conferences (where dates are known);
- Experience so far has shown that the Informal Scrutiny Groups (ISG) have all met at different times of the day and more frequently than the previous Scrutiny Panels (for example, an ISG might decide to meet five or six times in a three month period). It is proposed that the arrangement whereby each ISG sets its own timetable continues and so there are no timetabled dates included within the published timetable.

PROPOSED DECISION

That the Timetable of Meetings for 2014/15 be agreed as set out in Appendix 1.

REASON FOR THE PROPOSED DECISION AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

As set out above.

PHD549 Ward(s): General

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The Eversley Room will continue to be utilised for small informal meetings and some smaller Committee meetings, rather than larger venues such as the Walton Suite and King Charles Hall. This will enable these larger rooms to be used for external bookings, generating additional external cash income for the Council. It will also reduce the internal recharge from the Guildhall for member meetings.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN ON THE PROPOSED DECISION

The Leader and other Cabinet Members, together with the Leaders of opposition groups, have been consulted.

FURTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THE DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

n/a

<u>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS BY THE DECISION MAKER OR A MEMBER OR OFFICER CONSULTED</u>

n/a

<u>DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE</u>

n/a

Approved by: (signature) Date of Decision:

Councillor Keith Wood - Leader

APPENDIX

COMMITTEE TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS 14/15

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NB dates in italics all agreed

Wednesday 2 April COUNCIL

Thursday 3 April Planning Development Control Committee

Friday 18 April Good Friday Monday 21 April Easter Monday

Wednesday 30 April Cabinet

Monday 5 May Bank Holiday

Tuesday 6 May The Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Thursday 8 May Planning Development Control Committee

Thursday 22 May <u>EUROPEAN AND CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS</u>

Monday 26 May Bank Holiday

Tuesday 3 June Informal Council Meeting

Wednesday 4 June ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING AND MAYOR MAKING

Thursday 5 June Cabinet

Sunday 8 June Mayor's Sunday (new date)

Monday 9 June The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 10 June Councillor Training (New Councillor Induction 1)

Wednesday 11 June Councillor Training (Planning Issues)

Thursday 12 June Planning Development Control Committee

Tuesday 17 June Councillor Training (New Councillor Induction 2)

Thursday 19 June Licensing and Regulation Committee

Monday 23 June Standards Committee

Tuesday 24 June Councillor Training (Code of Conduct)

Wednesday 25 June Winchester Town Forum
Thursday 26 June Cabinet (Housing) Committee

Thursday 26 June Audit Committee

Tuesday 1 July Councillor Training (Overview and Scrutiny)

Wednesday 2 July Cabinet

Monday 7 July The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 8 July Personnel Committee

Thursday 10 July Planning Development Control Committee

Wednesday 16 July COUNCIL

Thursday 21 August Planning Development Control Committee

Monday 25 August Bank Holiday

Tuesday 9 September Councillor Training (Subject TBA)

Wednesday 10 September Cabinet

Monday 15 September The Overview & Scrutiny Committee

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Tuesday 16 September Councillor Training (Audit Committee)
Thursday 18 September Planning Development Control Committee

Monday 22 September Personnel Committee Wednesday 24 September Winchester Town Forum

Thursday 25 September Audit Committee
Monday 29 September Standards Committee

Wednesday 1 October Cabinet (Housing) Committee

Wednesday 8 October Planning Development Control Committee – Informal

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Meeting

Thursday 9 October Licensing & Regulation Committee Friday 10 October Planning District Coach Tour

Sunday 12 October Law Sunday

Thursday 16 October Planning Development Control Committee

Wednesday 22 October Cabinet

Monday 27 October The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 5 November COUNCIL

Sunday 9 November Remembrance Sunday

Thursday 13 November Planning Development Control Committee

Wednesday 19 November Winchester Town Forum Monday 24 November Personnel Committee

Tuesday 25 November Councillor Training (Subject TBA) Wednesday 26 November Cabinet (Housing) Committee

Thursday 27 November Licensing and Regulation Committee

Monday 1 December Standards Committee

Wednesday 3 December Cabinet

Thursday 4 December Audit Committee

Monday 8 December The Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Thursday 11 December Planning Development Control Committee

Thursday 25 December Christmas Day Friday 26 December Boxing Day

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Tuesday 1 January New Years Day

Wednesday 7 January COUNCIL (PRE-BUDGET)

Thursday 8 January Planning Development Control Committee

Monday 12 January Personnel Committee

Tuesday 13 January Councillor Training (Treasury Management)

Wednesday 14 January Cabinet

Thursday 15 January Licensing and Regulation Committee Monday 19 January The Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 21 January Winchester Town Forum Monday 26 January Standards Committee

Wednesday 4 February Cabinet (Housing) CommitteeThursday 5 February Planning Development Control Committee

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Wednesday 11 February Cabinet

Monday 16 February The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Thursday 19 February COUNCIL (BUDGET SETTING)

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Thursday 5 March Planning Development Control Committee

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Monday 9 March Personnel Committee
Wednesday 11 March Winchester Town Forum

Thursday 12 March Audit Committee

Tuesday 17 March Mayors Awards Evening

Wednesday 18 March Cabinet

Thursday 19 March
Monday 23 March
Wednesday 25 March
Thursday 26 March
Thursday 26 March
Licensing and Regulation Committee
The Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Cabinet (Housing) Committee
Planning Development Control

Wednesday 1 April COUNCIL

Friday 3 April Good Friday Monday 6 April Easter Monday

Thursday 23 April Planning Development Control Committee

Monday 4 May Bank Holiday

Thursday 7 May PARLIAMENTARY AND CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Friday 15 May Dinner in honour of Retiring Mayor

Tuesday 19 May Informal Council Meeting

Wednesday 20 May ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING AND MAYOR MAKING

Thursday 21 May Cabinet

Sunday 24 May

Mayor's Sunday

Monday 25 May

Bank Holiday

Tuesday 26 May Councillor Training (New Councillor Induction 1)

Wednesday 27 May
Thursday 28 May
Monday 1 June
Councillor Training (Planning Issues)
Planning Development Control Committee
The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 2 June Councillor Training (New Councillor Induction 2)