

PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

INDIVIDUAL DECISION BY THE LEADER

TOPIC – PROPOSED TIMETABLE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2015/16

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.

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

SUMMARY

- The attached timetable for 2015/16 is based on the timetable agreed for 2014/15 (PHD549 refers).
- 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.
 - The April 2016 Council has been moved later to fall outside the Easter school holidays;
 - Planning Committee will continue to meet on one full day (usually a Thursday) every four weeks, commencing at 9.30am.

PHD599 Ward(s): General

 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 2016 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 Plan) 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.

DECISION

That the Timetable of Meetings for 2015/16 be agreed as set out in Appendix 1.

REASON FOR THE DECISION AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

As set out above.

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.

PHD599 Ward(s): General

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN ON THE 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

DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

n/a

Approved by: (signature) Date of Decision 28.10.14

Councillor Rob Humby – Leader

COMMITTEE TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS 15/16

NB dates in italics all previously agreed

Wednesday 1 April <u>COUNCIL</u>

Friday 3 April Good Friday Monday 6 April Easter Monday

Wednesday 15 April Cabinet

Thursday 23 April Planning 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

<u>Thursday</u> 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 Councillor Training (Planning Issues)

Thursday 28 May Planning Committee

Sunday 31 May Mayor's Sunday *new date*

Monday 1 June The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 2 June Councillor Training (New Councillor Induction 2)

Tuesday 9 June Councillor Training (Code of Conduct)

Wednesday 10 June Winchester Town Forum Monday 15 June Personnel Committee

Tuesday 16 June Councillor Training (Subject TBA)
Thursday 18 June Licensing and Regulation Committee

Monday 22 June Standards Committee
Tuesday 23 June Audit Committee

Wednesday 24 June Cabinet

Thursday 25 June Planning Committee

<u>Tuesday</u> 30 June Cabinet (Housing) Committee

Monday 6 July The Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 15 July <u>COUNCIL</u>

Thursday 23 July Planning Committee Thursday 20 August Planning Committee

Monday 31 August Bank Holiday

Wednesday 9 September Cabinet

Monday 14 September The Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Councillor Training (Audit Committee)

Thursday 17 September Planning Committee

Monday 21 September Personnel Committee

Wednesday 23 September Winchester Town Forum

Thursday 24 September Audit Committee
Monday 28 September Standards Committee

Wednesday 30 September Cabinet (Housing) Committee

Thursday 8 October Planning Committee – Informal Meeting Licensing & Regulation Committee

Friday 9 October Planning District Coach Tour

Sunday 11 October Law Sunday

Thursday 15 October Planning Committee

Wednesday 21 October Cabinet

Monday 26 October The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 4 November <u>COUNCIL</u>

Sunday 8 November Remembrance Sunday
Thursday 12 November Planning Committee
Wednesday 18 November Winchester Town Forum
Monday 23 November Personnel Committee

Tuesday 24 November Councillor Training (Subject TBA) Wednesday 25 November Cabinet (Housing) Committee

Thursday 26 November Licensing and Regulation Committee

Monday 30 November Standards Committee

Wednesday 2 December Cabinet

Thursday 3 December Audit Committee

Monday 7 December The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Thursday 10 December Planning Committee
Friday 25 December Christmas Day
Saturday 26 December Boxing Day
Monday 28 December Bank Holiday

DATE 2016

Friday 1 January New Years Day

Wednesday 6 January COUNCIL (PRE-BUDGET)

Thursday 7 January Planning Committee
Monday 11 January Personnel Committee

Tuesday 12 January Councillor Training (Treasury Management)

Wednesday 13 January Cabinet

Thursday 14 January Licensing and Regulation Committee Monday 18 January The Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 20 January Winchester Town Forum
Monday 25 January Standards Committee
Tuesday 2 February Councillor Training (TBA)
Wednesday 3 February Cabinet (Housing) Committee

Thursday 4 February Planning Committee

Wednesday 10 February Cabinet

Monday 15 February The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Thursday 18 February COUNCIL (BUDGET SETTING)

Thursday 3 March Planning Committee
Monday 7 March Personnel Committee
Wednesday 9 March Winchester Town Forum

Thursday 10 March Audit Committee

Wednesday 16 March Cabinet

Thursday 17 March
Monday 21 March
Wednesday 23 March
Thursday 24 March

Licensing and Regulation Committee
The Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Cabinet (Housing) Committee
Planning Committee

Friday 25 March Good Friday
Monday 28 March Easter Monday

Wednesday 13 April COUNCIL

Wednesday 20 April Cabinet (if required)
Thursday 21 April Planning Committee
Monday 2 May Bank Holiday

Thursday 5 May <u>CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS</u>

Friday 13 May Dinner in honour of Retiring Mayor

Tuesday 17 May Informal Council Meeting

Wednesday 18 May ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING AND MAYOR MAKING

<u>Thursday</u> 19 May Cabinet

Sunday 22 May Mayor's Sunday

Monday 23 May The Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 24 May Councillor Training (New Councillor Induction 1)

Wednesday 25 May Councillor Training (Planning Issues)

Thursday 26 May Planning Committee

Monday 30 May Bank Holiday

Tuesday 31 May Councillor Training (New Councillor Induction 2)

2015/16 meetings arranged by Committee

COUNCIL (Wednesday* at 7pm)

2015: 1 April; Tue 19 May (Informal); 20 May; 15 July; 4 November

2016: 6 January; Thur 18 February; 13 April

CABINET (Wednesday* at 10am)

2015: 15 Apr; Thur 21 May; 24 June; 9 Sept; 21 Oct; 2 Dec

2016: 13 Jan; 10 Feb; 16 Mar; 20 Apr; 19 May

THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (Monday at 6.30pm)

2015: 1 June; 6 Jul; 14 Sept; 26 Oct; 7 Dec 2016: 18 Jan; 15 Feb; 21 Mar; 23 May

PLANNING COMMITTEE (Thursday at 9.30am)

2015: 23 Apr; 28 May; 25 Jun; 23 Jul; 20 Aug; 17 Sept; 15 Oct; 12 Nov; 10 Dec

2016: 7 Jan; 4 Feb; 3 Mar; 24 Mar; 21 Apr

CABINET (HOUSING) COMMITTEE (Wednesday* at 10am)

2015: Tue 30 Jun; 30 Sept; 25 Nov

2016: 3 Feb; 23 Mar

AUDIT COMMITTEE (Thursdays at 6.30pm)

2015: 23 Jun; 24 Sept; 3 Dec

2016: 10 Mar

WINCHESTER TOWN FORUM (Wednesday at 6.30pm)

2015: 10 Jun; 23 Sept; 18 Nov

2016: 20 Jan; 9 Mar

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (Mondays at 6.30pm)

2015: 15 Jun; 21 Sept; 23 Nov

2016: 11 Jan; 7 Mar

LICENSING & REGULATION COMMITTEE (Thursday at 6.30pm)

2015: 18 Jun; 8 Oct; 26 Nov

2016: 14 Jan: 17 Mar

STANDARDS COMMITTEE (Monday at 6.15pm)

2015: 22 Jun; 28 Sept; 30 Nov

2016: 25 Jan

*except where stated