

MINUTE EXTRACT CABINET – 7 MARCH 2016

111 DRAFT CALENDAR OF MEETINGS FOR THE 2016/17 MUNICIPAL YEAR



“Delivering the Wirral Plan requires this Council to operate efficiently, effectively and with open, flexible but robust democratic processes. We have made huge improvements in our governance in recent years and this report demonstrates again that we are taking a systematic and planned approach to our future business.”

Councillor Ann McLachlan

Reason for Decision:

The Council must approve and publish a Calendar of Meetings for the 2016/17 Municipal Year.

Decision:

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL that

- (1) the relevant draft Calendar of Meetings for the 2016/17 Municipal Year set out at Appendix 1 (as amended) be confirmed as the Calendar of Meetings for the Municipal Year 2016/17; and**
- (2) the other meetings detailed set out at Appendix 2 be noted and Members diarise those meetings as appropriate.**

Purpose:

Councillor McLachlan introduced a report recommending draft dates for Council, Cabinet and Committee meetings (“Council meetings”) for the Municipal Year 2016/2017. The report also described various issues that had been taken into account in compiling it.

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services brought to Members attention that an alternative date would be sought for the meeting of the Planning

Committee currently scheduled for the 23 June (the recently announced date for the European Referendum). The revised date, either the 22 or 28 June, would be confirmed to Council.

Other meetings that did not constitute a meeting of the Council and therefore did not require inclusion in the Calendar of Meetings were set out in Appendix 2 of the report. Notifications of those other meetings were given to enable Members to manage their diaries.

The Wirral Plan: A 2020 Vision set out a shared partnership vision to improve outcomes for Wirral residents. Delivery of the priorities and outcomes described in the Plan was dependent on the efficient operation of the democratic process to scrutinise and make the decisions required and the requirement for the scheduling of Council meetings which took these decisions.

The decision required was not a key decision.