

COUNCIL MEETING – 15 DECEMBER 2020

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2021/22

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To approve a Schedule of Meetings covering the period May 2021 to May 2022.

2.0 Background Information

2.1 A proposed draft Schedule of Meetings for 2021/22 is attached as an **Appendix** to the report.

2.2 All meetings are scheduled to start at 6.00pm with the exception of the Planning Committee which starts at 4.00pm; the Shareholder Committee which starts at 5.30pm; and the Audit & Accounts Committee which is a daytime meeting with a 10.00am start.

2.3 Members will be aware that during the current pandemic meetings of the Planning Committee are commencing at 2.00pm. This can continue if required once into the fresh Municipal Year.

2.4 One proposed change to highlight in the draft schedule is moving the May 2021 Annual Council Meeting to Tuesday 18 May 2021. This leaves a greater gap between the elections to be held on 6 May 2021 and will also enable more time for political groups to hold their annual meetings.

Policy & Finance Committee Budget Meeting

2.5 It is also to be noted that the Policy & Finance Committee budget meeting in 2022 has been moved into the third week in February which will avoid the schools half term break. This same meeting is scheduled for Thursday 18 February 2021. Following discussion with officers it is possible within the budget timetable to move this meeting into the following week. The Chairman has agreed in principle to such a move so it is proposed to move this meeting to Monday 22 February 2021.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS that:

(a) the proposed Schedule of Meetings for 2021/22 be approved (noting the Annual Council Meeting date of Tuesday, 18 May 2021); and

(b) the Policy & Finance Committee budget meeting in the current municipal year be moved to Monday, 22 February 2021.

Background Papers

Nil.

For further information please contact Nigel Hill on extension 5243.

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