

EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL1 MAY 2019Report by Deputy Chief ExecutiveCALENDAR OF MEETINGS – 2020**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. To seek approval for the 2020 meetings calendar.

RECOMMENDATION

2. That the Council approve the 2020 meetings calendar.

BACKGROUND

3. In terms of the Council's Standing Orders, it is necessary for the full Council to approve the calendar of meetings of the Council, subject to the ability of committees to revise dates thereafter.

REPORT

4. To give Elected Members as much notice as possible of future meeting arrangements, the calendar of meetings is routinely prepared well in advance.
5. As usual the proposed calendar takes account of all meetings in respect of which the dates have been determined, but does not take into account those ad-hoc meetings which will be held as and when necessary (e.g. Appeals Committee, Appointments Committee, Planning Pre-determination hearing etc.) and any other special meetings that may be called from time to time.

Council

6. In recent years, due to the late approval of the Scottish Government budget and the subsequent late confirmation of local government funding levels, it has been necessary for the originally scheduled budget meeting to be cancelled and rearranged at relatively short notice. This has caused inconvenience for a number of Elected Members. Last year, to deal with this, it was agreed that the scheduled budget meeting take place at the end of February (28 February 2019 at 10am). This arrangement worked satisfactorily and did not require the rescheduling of the budget meeting due to any last minute announcements by the Scottish Government. A similar arrangement has been proposed for 2020.

Education Committee

7. Every effort has also been made to ensure that meetings of the Education Committee are not held on the day of Jewish festivals.

Audit & Scrutiny Committee

8. Similar arrangements have been retained in relation to the timing of the presentation of the Treasury Management Strategy to the Audit & Scrutiny Committee and the full Council, the draft Annual Accounts to the Audit & Scrutiny Committee and the final Annual Accounts to the Audit & Scrutiny Committee and the Council, and appropriate dates built in to the calendar.

RECOMMENDATION

8. That the Council approve the 2020 meetings calendar.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Background Papers - None

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SUMMARY OF MEETING DATES

January to December 2020

COUNCIL – 7.00PM (Wednesday) N.B. Meeting marked with an asterisk (*) will start at 10.00 am on Thursday. Meeting marked with a double asterisk (**) will start at 4pm on Thursday	CABINET – 10.00AM (Thursday)	CABINET (Police and Fire) – 10.00AM (Thursday)	EDUCATION COMMITTEE – 10.00AM (Thursday)
	30 January		23 January
27 February (*)	6 February	13 February	
	12 March		26 March
29 April	2, 23 & 30 April		
	21 May	14 May	7 May
24 June	4 & 18 June		11 June
	13 & 27 August		20 August
9 & 24(**) September	10 & 24 September	17 September	
28 October	8 & 22 October		1 October
	5 & 26 November	19 November	12 November
16 December	3 December		

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE 2.00PM (Wednesday)	LOCAL REVIEW BODY 2.30 PM (Wednesday)	AUDIT & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2.00PM (Thursday)	LICENSING COMMITTEE 2.00 PM (Tuesday)
15 January	15 January	23 January	21 January
12 February	12 February	20 February (Treasury Management Strategy)	18 February
11 March	11 March	12 March	17 March
8 April	8 April	30 April	14 April
13 May	13 May		12 May
10 June	10 June	18 & 27 (draft accounts) June	9 June
5 August	5 August	13 August	11 August
2 & 30 September	2 & 30 September	24 September	8 September
			13 October
4 November	4 November	19 November	10 November
2 December	2 December		8 December

JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (1st TIER) 2.00 PM (Thursday)
13 February
7 May
17 September