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DRAFT PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS 2018/19

RECOMMENDATIONS			
FROM: Director of Law and Governance	Deadline date: N/A		
It is recommended that Council approves, in principle, the draft programme of meetings for 2019/20 (attached at Appendix 1).			

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 This report presents for the consideration of Council the draft annual programme of meetings for 2019/20.

2. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 2.1 Council is asked to approve and note the draft programme of meeting dates for 2019/20 (Appendix 1). The calendar has been prepared in accordance with the arrangements that have been implemented in previous years.
- 2.2 The programme of meetings allows for necessary preparation to be undertaken in advance and to allow for Members to plan their diaries accordingly.
- 2.3 Although the schedule is for approval by Council, there may be the need for variations to be made to the schedule in-year. Any such amendments will be determined by the Chairman after prior consultation with the Group Representatives. The Mayor will determine any variation to the Council meeting schedule in consultation with Group Leaders.
- 2.4 The programme of meetings for 2019/20 will be submitted to Council for approval in its final form at the Annual Meeting of Council in 2019.

Full Council Meeting Start Time

2.5 Following suggestion from the Constitution and Ethics Committee and after consultation with all Members and the Mayor the proposed start time of all Full Council meetings in 2019/20 is 6.00pm (as opposed to the current 7.00pm start time).

3. CONSULTATION

3.1 Consultation has been undertaken with Council officers and partner organisations.

4. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications for the recommendation contained in the report.

Legal Implications

4.2 There are no legal implications for the recommendation contained in the report.

Equalities Implications

4.3 There are no equalities implications for the recommendation contained in the report.

5. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

5.1 Peterborough City Council Constitution.

6. APPENDICES

6.1 Appendix 1 - draft programme of meetings for 2019/20.