

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Governance Meetings Calendar 2025-26</b>	<b>Status</b>	For Publication
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## **1 Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To present Members with the proposed 2025-26 Governance Meetings Calendar for review and approval.
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## **2 Recommendations**

- 2.1 Members are recommended to:
- a. Approve the 2025/26 Governance Meetings calendar and outline work programme attached at Appendix A.**
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## **3 Link to Corporate Objectives**

- 3.1 This report links to the delivery of the following corporate objectives:  
Effective and Transparent Governance.
- 3.2 To uphold effective governance always showing prudence and propriety.
- 3.3 The planned programme of meetings supports the operation of effective and transparent governance arrangements.

## **4 Implications for the Corporate Risk Register**

- 4.1 There are no direct implications for specific risks on the register.

## **5 Background and Options**

- 5.1 Attached at Appendix A is a schedule of meeting dates and outline work programme for meetings of the Authority and its Committees for the 2025/26 municipal year.

- 5.2 Dates and a full annual programme for training and development for 2025/26 will be circulated in early 2025, following a full review and assessment of the outcomes from the National Knowledge Assessment and preparation of proposed update to the Member Learning and Development Strategy.
- 5.2 The Appendix contains a front-page summary of the scheduled meeting dates for the Authority and its Committees. A separate page for the Authority and for the Audit & Governance Committee is also included setting out an outline of their draft work programmes for the 2025/26 year.
- 5.3 A full review has been undertaken and meeting dates have, where possible, been checked against the meeting calendars of the four district councils, known dates of external conferences, and school-term dates, to attempt to avoid any clashes.
- 5.4 Members are however asked to note that not all of the district councils have finalised their meeting calendars for 2025/26 at the time of this report and therefore it has been necessary to prepare the proposed calendar attached with reference to provisional dates only for the districts based on the previous year's meeting dates. Should any clashes arise following confirmation of dates from district councils, we will consult members as to any changes deemed necessary at the earliest opportunity.
- 5.4 Members are asked to consider and approve the schedule of meeting dates for 2025/26 shown at Appendix A.

## **6 Implications**

- 6.1 The proposals outlined in this report have the following implications:

Financial	None
Human Resources	None
ICT	None
Legal	None
Procurement	None

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<b>Background Papers</b>	
<b>Document</b>	<b>Place of Inspection</b>
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