

Meeting: ANNUAL COUNCIL

Date: 21st May 2003

DATES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

(Chief Executive's)

NON-KEY DECISION

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1 PURPOSE

To recommend dates for meetings of the Council for the 2003/2004 Municipal Year.

2 BACKGROUND

To comply with Standing Orders the Council should approve its programme of meetings annually. The approval of dates of Council meetings for the year does not preclude extraordinary meetings being called by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Mayor; nor for the date, time or place to be altered where a material change of circumstances makes it necessary.

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION AND OTHER OPTIONS

3.1 The dates proposed for ordinary meetings of the Council are as follows:

11th June 2003

17th September 2003

26th November 2003

25th February 2004

3.2 Additionally, extraordinary meetings are proposed as follows:

28th January 2004 (Council Tax Base and HRA)

3.3 The date for the 2004 Annual Council is not quoted at this time as the date of the local elections next year is likely to be postponed from 6th May to 10th June. Given this delay of the elections there may also be an additional ordinary Council meeting in April. A further report on this matter will be submitted subject to the necessary primary legislation for changing the date of the elections.

4 RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council approve its programme of meetings for the 2003/2004 Municipal Year, as detailed in Section 3 above.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- News Release 2003/0082 (06 May 2003) from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister