

COUNCIL 2 March 2016

ITEM 16

Report of the Chief Executive

Annual Meeting of Council - proposed date change

SUMMARY

- 1.1 Under CP1 of the Council Constitution, the Annual Meeting takes place on the third or fourth Wednesday of May. It is scheduled for the third Wednesday this year – 18 May 2016.
- 1.2 Feedback from members is that the 13-day window between local elections and the Annual Meeting last year left little time for groups to consider appointments to committees, outside bodies and charities, particularly as the Annual Meeting papers need to be published five clear days ahead of the meeting.
- 1.3 It is proposed that the Annual Meeting be moved back by a week. Agreeing the date of the Annual Meeting is a decision for Council.

RECOMMENDATION

2.1 To move the Annual Meeting back one week to Wednesday 25 May 2016.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 To provide more time for proposed appointments to be considered and published prior to the Annual Meeting.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 Either the existing date (18 May 2016) or the proposed date (25 May 2016) would be constitutionally compliant.
- 4.2 All four groups have indicated support for the proposal.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 To make no change.

Background papers: None List of appendices: None
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