

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL

25TH JULY 2018

COUNCIL WORK PROGRAMME AND CALENDAR UPDATE

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR, CABINET & PUBLIC RELATIONS

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 The purpose of the report is to provide Members with the revisions to the Calendar of Meetings, as agreed at the Council AGM, in respect of forthcoming Committee meetings for both Council and Overview & Scrutiny.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 Council note and agree the meeting of Council scheduled for the 5th September is postponed to the 19th September 2018, for the reasons identified within section 4 of the report.
- 2.2 Council note the revised dates to previously published Scrutiny Committee meeting dates that are due to take place later in the Municipal Year and identified in section 5 of the report.
- 2.3 Subject to approval of the above, the relevant Committee work programmes are amended to take into consideration the changes.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The need to advise Members of the revised changes to the Committee schedule for the Municipal Year 2018-2019.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Calendar of Meetings was agreed at the Council AGM on the 23rd May 2018.
- 4.2 At the June Council meeting Members received an urgent report concerning the forthcoming review of the Council's Electoral Arrangements, due to be undertaken by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales. The Commission will be making a

- presentation to Council at its July meeting where they will provide further information on the arrangements for the review.
- 4.3 Due to the timetabling of the review and that the initial consultation period will commence during the August recess Members will be aware that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee have met ahead of today's meeting in order to initiate the process so that Council can make the best use of the time available and has the fullest opportunity to contribute and participate in the review. The Commission was supportive of this approach.
- 4.4 Due to the timescale of events proposed it will be necessary to amend some of the Committee meetings already scheduled to allow an opportunity for engagement with stakeholders, scrutiny consideration and the meeting of Council scheduled for the 5th September is to be postponed to the 19th September, 2018 to ratify any Council response that may be proposed to the Commission in response to its initial consultation. Members are also asked to note some additional changes to previously published Scrutiny Committee dates that are due to take place later in the Municipal Year.

5. DATE CHANGES

5.1 Members are therefore asked to note the following revisions in dates and update their diaries accordingly:

Committee	Original Date		New Date
Overview & Scrutiny	10 th	September	3 rd September 2018
	2018		
Health & WellBeing	18 th	September,	TBC
Scrutiny Committee	2018		
Council	5 th	September,	19 th September 2018
	2018		
Overview & Scrutiny	12 th	November	13 th November 2018
	2018		
Public Service Delivery,	13 th	December	10 th December 2018
Communities & Prosperity	2018		
Committee			
Overview & Scrutiny	10 th	December	12 th December 2018
	2018		
Overview & Scrutiny	11 th March 2019		18 th March 2019

6. <u>EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS</u>

6.1 There are no Equality or Diversity implications aligned to this report

7. CONSULTATION

7.1 There are no consultation implications aligned to this report.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no financial implications aligned to this report.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no financial implications aligned to this report.

10. CONCLUSION

10.1 The Council has an opportunity to inform the debate concerning electoral arrangements by presenting cogent arguments and proposals to the Commission who are anxious that local views should, where possible, help shape their draft proposals and its final recommendations to Welsh Government. To facilitate this process some changes to the previously published calendar meetings are now recommended.

Other Information:-

Relevant Scrutiny Committee - Not applicable

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

AS AMENDED BY

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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CHANGES IN DATES OF MEETINGS

BACKGROUND PAPERS

COUNCIL - 27thJUNE 2018

- JOINT REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES AND THE DIRECTOR OF CABINET AND PUBLIC RELATONS
- <u>URGENT ITEM REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS BY</u>
 <u>THE LOCAL DEMOCRACY AND BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR</u>
 WALES

COUNCIL - AGM - 23rd MAY 2018

- JOINT REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CABINET & PUBLIC RELATIONS AND THE DIRECTOR OF LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES
- CALENDAR OF MEETINGS MUNICIPAL YEAR 2018/19