

## **Committee: Council**

**Date: 20 November 2013**

Wards: All

## **Subject: Date of Annual Council 2014**

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### **Recommendations:**

A. That the Council agrees to hold the next Annual Council meeting on 4 June 2014.

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## **1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1.1. To agree the date of the 2014 Annual Council meeting.

## **2 DETAILS**

2.1. In borough election years the Council must hold its annual meeting between 12 and 25 days after the election. Assuming that Council wishes to continue to meet on a Wednesday, the available dates are 4 June or 11 June.

2.2. The five Group Leaders have been consulted and, based on their responses, the 4 June is proposed for the 2014 meeting of Annual Council.

## **3 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

3.1. The Council can make whatever arrangements it sees fit, as long as the meeting is held between 12 and 25 days after the election on 22 May 2014.

## **4 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED**

4.1. All five Group Leaders have been consulted.

## **5 TIMETABLE**

5.1. Annual Council must meet between 12 and 25 days after the election on 22 May 2014.

## **6 FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS**

6.1. None.

## **7 LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

7.1. In borough election years the Council must hold its annual meeting between 12 and 25 days after the election. In other years the annual meeting must be held in March, April or May.

## **8 HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS**

- 8.1. Publishing the date of Annual Council well in advance is important in giving local residents information about when the Council proposes to do its business and take decisions that affect the community.

**9 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

- 9.1. None

**10 RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

- 10.1. It is important for the proper discharge of the Council's duties that a framework for decision making is established, including the scheduling of meetings in advance.

**11 APPENDICES**

None

**12 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 12.1. None