1. PURPOSE:
To approve the draft diary of meetings for 2018/19.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:
That the diary of meetings for 2018/19, as attached, be approved.

3. KEY ISSUES:
3.1 Each Committee has reviewed the timing of their meetings and the diary has been drawn up to reflect each Committee’s preferences.

3.2 Some Committees set their own dates during the year eg SACRE, Appointment of LEA Governors Committee, PSB selects, Corporate Parenting Panel and these will be added to the diary in due course.

3.3 The diary includes, for information only, dates of meetings for cabinet boards, political groups and outside bodies that are not agreed by Council and are subject to change by the organising bodies.

3.4 As per previous years, as far as is practicable meetings have not been scheduled during school holidays as requested by Councillors.

3.5 County Council meetings have been scheduled to start at 14:00 in the diary. The timing of County Council meetings may change following a review of the trial period by Democratic Services Committee for alternating the start time of County Council meetings.

4. REASONS:
The Council calendar needs to be approved annually to ensure appropriate governance arrangements are in place for the year and enables Members and officers to forward plan effectively.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:
None as a direct result of this report.

6. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS:
There are no sustainable development or equality impacts arising from this report.

7. SAFEGUARDING AND CORPORATE PARENTING IMPLICATIONS
There are no safeguarding or corporate parenting implications associated with this report.
8. **CONSULTEES:**
   Political Group Leaders – No feedback

   Democratic Services Committee – Request that meetings are held in accordance with the approved diary throughout the year so that 'special' meetings held at short notice are kept to a minimum.

9. **BACKGROUND PAPERS:**
   None.

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