1. PURPOSE:
To approve the draft diary of meetings for 2020/2021.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:
That the diary of meetings for 2020/2021, as attached, be approved.

3. KEY ISSUES:

3.1 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.

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

3.3 As per previous years, as far as is practicable meetings have not been scheduled during school holidays as requested by Councillors. There is an inevitable need to hold some meetings during school holidays so that the diary does not become too congested and avoids clashes with meetings but these have been kept to a minimum.

3.4 County Council meetings have been scheduled to start at 14:00 in the diary.

3.5 Paper copies of diaries will be available to all members at the AGM in May 2020. Printing of the diaries will be held as late as possible to incorporate as many meetings of outside bodies as possible.

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:
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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