

7.5 Council Meeting Schedule 2021

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR COMMUNITY
TO 17 MARCH 2021 ORDINARY MEETING
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RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. **receive the report by the Director Community on the Council Meeting Schedule 2021; and**
2. **confirm the dates for Meetings of Council for April 2021 through to Dec 2021 as follows**
 - **Wednesday April 21 - Council Meeting**
 - **Wednesday May 19 - Council Meeting**
 - **Wednesday May 26 - Extraordinary Council Meeting**
 - **Wednesday June 16 - Council Meeting**
 - **Wednesday July 21 - Council Meeting**
 - **Wednesday August 4 - Council Meeting**
 - **Wednesday September 22 - Council Meeting (including Mayoral election)**
 - **Wednesday October 13 - Council Meeting**
 - **Wednesday November 17 - Council Meeting**
 - **Wednesday December 15 - Council Meeting**

Executive summary

This report sets the meeting program for the remainder of 2021.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Detailed report

Council meetings are held each month (with the exception of January). Meetings are currently being held on the third Wednesday of each month, commencing at 5.30pm with a Public Forum session.

The Local Government Elections will cause an interruption to our regular Council meeting schedule, with elections scheduled to be held on Saturday 4th September 2021. To allow sufficient

time for the results to be declared, the first meeting of the newly elected Council will be held on Wednesday 22nd September. This may be moved if election results have not been declared. Requirements for the presentation of financial statements have also resulted in a rescheduling of the October meeting to the 2nd Wednesday on October 13th.

An extraordinary meeting is required on Wednesday 26 May to support the smooth passage of the operational plan. A further additional extraordinary meeting may be required on Wednesday 23 June to approve the budget, depending on any changes required to the 2021/22 Operational Plan and Delivery Program.

As there will be a new Council after the September elections, the new Council to make decisions on the holding of meetings early in the new term to set the schedule 2021/2022. This will include any necessary changes to the Code of Meeting Practice. The new Council will also determine how Council will continue with 355 Committees.

Community Plan implications

Theme	Good Governance
Goal	Strong civic leadership
Strategy	Provide accountable and transparent decision making for the community

Strategic implications

Council Strategies

Not Applicable

Council Policies

Code of Meeting Practice

Legislation

Local Government Act

Financial implications

Not Applicable

Associated Risks

Not Applicable

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DIRECTOR COMMUNITY

5 March 2021

Attachments: Nil

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

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