



WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE JOINT COMMITTEE

26 March 2019

Report Title	WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE JOINT COMMITTEE – SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS
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AGENDA STATUS: PUBLIC

1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report seeks approval of the West Northamptonshire Joint Committee (WNJC) for its draft schedule of meetings.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the WNJC:

- 2.1 Approve the draft schedule of meetings for the WNJC attached at Appendix 1.

3. Issues and Choices

3.1 Report Background

- 3.1.1 The WNJC will meet in the period before a shadow authority for West Northamptonshire is established. Of course, if the ultimate decision of the Secretary of State is not to lay a Structural Changes Order before Parliament to bring about local government reorganisation in Northamptonshire, or if the Order was laid but not agreed, the WNJC would have no further purpose and would cease.

3.2 Issues and Choices

- 3.2.1 It is currently anticipated that a shadow unitary authority could be established later in 2019. It is therefore anticipated that the WNJC will hold three meetings. Meetings will commence at 6pm.
- 3.2.2 It is recommended that the WNJC approve the draft schedule of meetings for the WNJC attached at Appendix 1.

3.2.3 Should there be any future changes to meeting dates of the WNJC, these will be made on Northampton Borough Council's website, as Northampton Borough Council is hosting the Committee's papers on its website. (Each of the other constituent Councils' websites will include a link to the WNJC pages on Northampton Borough Council's website). Notification of any future changes to meeting dates will be electronically sent to all relevant Members.

4. Implications (including financial implications)

4.1 Policy

4.1.1 There are no specific policy implications arising directly from the recommendations.

4.2 Resources and Risk

4.2.1 Administrative support for the meetings of the WNJC will be provided by existing personnel from one or more of the Councils.

4.3 Legal

4.3.1 Section 101(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 enables a local authority to enter into arrangements for the discharge of its functions jointly with, or by, one or more other authority. Under Section 102 of the 1972 Act, local authorities are empowered to appoint joint committees to discharge functions of the Councils or to advise the Councils.

4.3.2 Each of the meetings of the WNJC will be convened and publicised in accordance with the relevant statutory provisions.

4.4 Equality and Health

4.4.1 There are no equality or health implications arising directly from this report.

5. Background Papers

5.1 None.

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West Northamptonshire Joint Committee

DRAFT Schedule of meetings

VENUE	MARCH 2019	APRIL 2019	MAY 2019	JUNE 2019
Northampton Borough Council	Tuesday 26 March 2019 6pm		Tuesday 14 May 2019 6pm	
Daventry District Council				Wednesday 5 June 2019 6pm
South Northants Council				
Northampton Borough Council				

Please note that this is for guidance purposes only. The website needs to be checked regularly as meetings may be changed.

Dates of further meetings will be confirmed as required