

STAFF REPORT

TO: Councillors
FROM: Chief Executive
REFERENCE: C780
DATE: 26 October 2005
SUBJECT: Committee Structure

BACKGROUND

Council conducted a Workshop on 4 October 2005 to review committee structures and meeting schedules.

GENERAL FEEDBACK FROM WORKSHOP

- Restructure all Standing Committees so all Councillors are on all four Standing Committees.
- Retain six week cycle.
- Meet on Wednesday/Thursday (facilitates overnight stays)
- Subcommittees “stay as is” for time being (Tuesdays or after Standing Committees)
- E and P Subcommittee and Enterprise Subcommittee “stay as is” for time being
- Citizenship; full treatment, restrict to less than 20 citizens
- Budget/cost effects of new model (staff costs)
- Meeting management - need for tight Chairing
- Consent Hearings on a Monday and Fridays (if required)
- Can resolutions be projected onto screen?
- “Franklin” model for budget approval
- Run submissions closer together

PROPOSED COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

Taking the above comments into account we have now drawn up a Meeting Schedule for 2006. See copy attached.

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached Committee Structure and Meeting Schedule be adopted with effect from 2 January 2006.

R G Dickinson
Chief Executive

<http://tdctoday:82/shared documents/meetings/council/full council/reports/2005/rcn051103 report committee structures.doc>