



## Borough of Telford and Wrekin

### Annual Council Meeting

Thursday 21 May 2026

### Programme of Ordinary Meetings of the Council 2026/27 – 2027/28

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<b>Cabinet Member:</b>	Cllr Lee Carter – Leader of the Council
<b>Lead Director:</b>	Anthea Lowe – Director: Policy & Governance
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<b>Wards Affected:</b>	All Wards
<b>Key Decision:</b>	Not Key Decision
<b>Forward Plan:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Report considered by:</b>	Annual Council – 21 May 2026

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#### 1.0 Recommendations for Decision/Noting:

It is recommended that Full Council:

- 1.1 Notes and approves the programme of ordinary meetings of the Council for the 2026/27 and 2027/28 municipal years, as shown at Appendix A.

#### 2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 This report sets out the proposed schedule for the programme of ordinary meetings of the Council, including meetings of Cabinet and Committees and/or Boards, for the 2026/27 and 2027/28 municipal years.

#### 3.0 Background

- 3.1 As Members will be aware, a detailed schedule of ordinary meeting dates for Full Council, Cabinet and Committees and/or Boards is submitted for approval at each Annual Council meeting.

- 3.2 The publication of a comprehensive schedule of dates ensures elected Members, officers and residents have clear expectations as to when Council, Cabinet and Committees and/or Boards will meet to enable them to attend and raise matters for consideration.

#### **4.0 Summary of Main Proposals**

- 4.1 The proposed schedule for the programme of ordinary meetings of the Council including meetings of Cabinet and Committees and/or Boards for the 2026/27 and 2027/28 municipal years, are shown at Appendix A.
- 4.2 Group Leaders and Senior Officers of the Council have been consulted on the proposed schedule of meetings.
- 4.3 Should circumstances dictate that any extraordinary meetings of the Council are required due to urgent business, in addition to the proposed schedule for the programme of ordinary meetings, as shown at Appendix A, then these will be arranged as necessary.
- 4.4 In accordance with the Constitution, unless especially called together at the request of the Chair of the Committee, for the purpose of considering urgent business or for nominating members to Committees, no Committee and/or Board shall hold any unscheduled meetings in the month of August with the exception of Planning and Licensing Committees.
- 4.5 Meetings of Personnel Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee are arranged as and when required.

#### **5.0 Alternative Options**

- 5.1 During the consultation process, a number of alternative dates were considered with Group Leaders and Senior Officers of the Council.
- 5.2 Council could choose not to implement the two-year programme of ordinary meetings, however for the reasons set out within the report it would appear sensible for Council to do so in order for it to carry out its business effectively.

#### **6.0 Key Risks**

- 6.1 There are no risks associated with the recommendations contained within this report.

#### **7.0 Council Priorities**

- 7.1 The recommendations in this report are aligned with the Council priority to be a community-focussed, innovative Council providing efficient, effective and quality services.

## **8.0 Financial Implications**

8.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

## **9.0 Legal and HR Implications**

9.1 There are no direct legal or HR implications arising from this report.

## **10.0 Ward Implications**

10.1 There are no direct ward implications arising from this report.

## **11.0 Health, Social and Economic Implications**

11.1 There are no health, social or economic implications arising from this report.

## **12.0 Equality and Diversity Implications**

12.1 There are no equality or diversity implications arising from this report.

## **13.0 Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environmental Implications**

13.1 There are no climate change, biodiversity or environmental implications arising from this report.

## **14.0 Background Papers**

None.

## **15.0 Appendices**

A Programme of Ordinary Meetings of Council 2026/27 – 2027/28

## **16.0 Report Sign Off**

<b>Signed off by</b>	<b>Date sent</b>	<b>Date signed off</b>	<b>Initials</b>
Legal	07/05/2026	12/06/2025	RP
Finance	07/05/2026	07/05/2026	MLB