

5.2 2020 COUNCIL MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Responsible Officer: Jarrod Doake, Chief Operating Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the schedule for the Ordinary Meetings of Council be adopted for 2020, as follows, with the meetings to be held at the Civic Centre, Glen Waverley and to commence at 7.00 pm:

28 January

25 February

31 March

28 April

26 May

30 June

28 July

25 August

29 September

20 October

24 November

15 December

INTRODUCTION

The Council is requested to set the dates for the Ordinary Meetings of Council in 2020.

ANALYSIS

As no dates for the Ordinary Meetings of Council have been set beyond the end of this calendar year, Council is asked to consider setting its meeting dates for 2020.

- The proposed schedule follows that used for previous years, with Council meetings held on the last Tuesday of each month, with 2 exceptions;
- the meeting in December is proposed to be held early in that month to take the holiday period into account.

The proposed meeting commencement time remains unchanged.

As 2020 is an election year, the following should be noted –

- The “caretaker period” is likely to commence on 22 September 2020 and conclude at 6.00 am on Election Day, when the current Council’s term expires.
- The October 2020 meeting has been scheduled for one week earlier than normal, to account for Election Day which is Saturday 24 October 2020 (Friday 23 October 2020 where the election is conducted by full postal voting).
- The date for the Statutory Meeting to swear in the new Council will be set by the Chief Executive Officer, as provided for by the Local Government Act 1989 and subject to the finalisation of the declaration of the election results.

Early determination of the 2020 Council meeting dates will assist the Administration with timetabling of future activities such as tenders, community consultation, hearing of public submissions, etc.

IMPLEMENTATION

The dates for the 2020 Ordinary Meetings, if approved by Council, will be advertised on Council’s web site and in the ‘Monash Bulletin’.