7.3.1 2027 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Responsible Manager:	Daniel Ganeshan, Acting Manager Governance & Legal Services
Responsible Director:	Simone Wickes, Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the 2027 Council Meeting Schedule as set out in Attachment 1, with the adopted schedule to be published on Council's website.

INTRODUCTION

This report seeks Council's adoption of the proposed 2027 Council Meeting Schedule as set out in Attachment 1.

COUNCIL PLAN STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

A Council with good governance, strong leadership and community involvement in decision making.
A Council that provides governance and leadership for the benefit of our community through community engagement, advocacy, decision making and action.

BACKGROUND

Council adopts an annual meeting schedule to provide certainty for Councillors, officers and the community regarding the timing of Council Meetings.

In 2026, Ordinary Council Meetings were generally scheduled for the last Tuesday of each month, with adjustments to accommodate public holidays and operational requirements.

Council's meeting cycle also includes Strategy Meetings and Briefing Meetings. Strategy Meetings provide an opportunity for Councillors to discuss strategic matters, while Briefing Meetings allow Councillors to seek clarification on reports and other matters ahead of formal Council Meetings.

These meetings are scheduled administratively and do not require a Council resolution.

DISCUSSION

The proposed 2027 Council Meeting Schedule has been developed having regard to:

- the requirements of the *Local Government Act 2020*;
- Council's Governance Rules;
- public holiday periods and other key calendar considerations;
- Council's statutory planning and reporting obligations; and
- the efficient conduct of Council business.

The proposed schedule supports Council's governance and decision-making responsibilities by providing advance notice of meeting dates to Councillors, officers and the community.

Following adoption, the schedule will be published on Council's website in accordance with Council's Governance Rules, providing the community with advance notice of meeting dates.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications to this report.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications to this report.

CONSULTATION

Community consultation was not required.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no social implications to this report.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

There are no human rights implications to this report.

GENDER IMPACT ASSESSMENT

A GIA was not completed because this agenda item is not a ‘policy’, ‘program’ or ‘service’.

CONCLUSION

The proposed 2027 Council Meeting Schedule provides a clear framework for the conduct of Council Meetings throughout the year and supports effective governance, decision-making and community awareness of Council Meeting dates.

Following adoption, the schedule will be published on Council's website in accordance with Council's Governance Rules.

It is therefore recommended that Council adopt the 2027 Council Meeting Schedule as set out in Attachment 1.

ATTACHMENT LIST

1. Council Meeting Schedule 2027 [**7.3.1.1** - 1 page]

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2027 Council Meeting Schedule

Commencement time: 7.00 pm

Location: Civic Centre, 293 Springvale Road, Glen Waverley

Month	Date	Notes
January	Wednesday 27 January 2027	Moved from Tuesday 26 January 2027 due to the Australia Day public holiday.
February	Tuesday 23 February 2027	
March	Tuesday 30 March 2027	
April	Tuesday 27 April 2027	
May	Tuesday 25 May 2027	
June	Tuesday 29 June 2027	
July	Tuesday 27 July 2027	
August	Tuesday 31 August 2027	
September	Tuesday 28 September 2027	
October	Tuesday 26 October 2027	
November*	Tuesday 9 November 2027	Election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor
November	Tuesday 30 November 2027	
December	Tuesday 14 December 2027	Held on the second Tuesday of the month to accommodate the Christmas and New Year period.

* This Meeting is held in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2020* for the purpose of electing the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.