#### **CABINET**

#### 15 MARCH 2011

## REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Title: Calendar of Meetings 2011/12 For Decision

## **Summary:**

This report sets out the proposed principles around the Calendar of Meetings for the forthcoming municipal year 2011/12 and seeks the Cabinet's confirmation to the principles in order for the full Calendar to be developed and finalised.

There are no proposed changes to the core political structure arrangements that were agreed for the 2010/11 municipal year, these being:-

- Assembly to meet six times a year at 7.00pm at the Town Hall, Barking (preceded by All Member Briefings at 6.00pm)
- Cabinet every month at 5.00pm at the Civic Centre, Dagenham
- Licensing and Regulatory Board every fortnight at 6.00pm at the Civic Centre
- Development Control Board every three weeks at 6.00pm at Town Hall
- Standards Committee every two months at 3.00pm at the Civic Centre
- Select Committees (x5) every 6/7 weeks at 6.00pm at the Civic Centre or Town Hall

The meeting structure for the Local Strategic Partnership will form part of the full Calendar as will other non-core meetings, such as school governing bodies.

Wherever possible clashes between meetings are avoided and meetings scheduled outside of school holiday periods, although this is not always possible when statutory deadlines and/or other legitimate reasons dictate otherwise.

Wards Affected: None

#### Recommendation(s)

The Cabinet is recommended to agree the basis of the draft Calendar for 2011/12 as detailed above:

#### Reason(s)

To accord with the requirements of the Council Constitution.

### **Comments of the Chief Financial Officer**

There are no direct financial implications associated with this report.

# **Comments of the Legal Partner**

The proposals in this report accord with the relevant provisions within the Council's Constitution.

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# Background papers used in the preparation of this report: Council Constitution