



**NORTHAMPTON**  
BOROUGH COUNCIL

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## 8 SEPTEMBER 2008

**Agenda Status: Public**

**Directorate: Chief Executive's**

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>AMENDMENT TO MEETINGS CYCLE</b>
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### 1. Summary

To seek approval of the amended Meetings Cycle, which includes the movement of Cabinet Meetings from Mondays to Wednesdays.

### 2. Recommendations

That the amended Meetings Cycle for 2008/09 be approved to take effect from Wednesday 15 October 2008.

### 3. Report Background

- 3.1 In order to accommodate and streamline the processes involved in the preparation and approval of reports accompanying Cabinet agendas, it has been suggested that future Cabinet meetings are moved from a Monday to a Wednesday evening. To avoid conflicts, this will also involve an alteration to the dates of some other meetings on the approved Meetings Cycle.
- 3.2 So as to avoid a wholesale redrafting of the already approved cycle of meetings and the effects on room bookings, outside venues, diaries, etc, a minimum change approach has been adopted to reach the desired effect for the remainder of 2008/09. Appendix A shows the effect of this. Two meetings of General Purposes Committee and one each of Neighbourhood Partnerships 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12 are the meetings displaced by this change. The new Cabinet dates and new dates for the displaced meetings are highlighted in the Appendix. An additional Cabinet meeting has already been agreed for 26 September 2008 to meet deadlines for a number of issues.
- 3.3 It is proposed that this change comes into effect with the new Cabinet date of 15 October 2008, with the existing meeting on 20 October being cancelled.

#### **4. Implications (including financial implications)**

##### 4.1 Resources and Risk

None.

##### 4.2 Legal

None specifically arising from this report.

##### 4.3 Other Implications

None.

#### **5. Background Papers**

N/A

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