

Report of: Democratic Services Manager

Subject: Calendar of Meetings 2026/27

Decision Required: Yes

Recommendation:

That the appended calendar of meetings for 2026/27 be approved

1. Key Messages

1.1 Members are asked to approve a calendar of meetings for the forthcoming year.

2. Background

2.1 As Members will be aware, the current calendar of meetings comes to an end in June 2026 following the Annual General Meeting, and it is customary at this time of year to present a calendar for the forthcoming year.

3. Consultation

3.1 Key officers within the Authority have been consulted on the meeting dates.

4. Strategic Policy Context

4.1 The information and recommendation(s) contained in this report are consistent with the Authority's statutory purposes and its approved strategic policy context.

4.2 Establishment of a Calendar of Meetings for the year ahead supports the Authority's Code of Corporate Governance by establishing a clear framework for holding regular meetings of the Authority and its Committees. The Calendar also establishes dates for Workshops which will support Member development and enable them to understand the work of the Authority and to make informed decisions. Members will be notified in due course what topics identified in the training plan will be covered on which date.

5. Financial Considerations

5.1 The provision of meetings is included within existing budgets. The Authority's main meetings will now revert to being held as hybrid meetings, however it is anticipated that meetings of the Review Committees and Working Groups will continue to be held online only unless they fall on days when an in-person meeting is taking place or in exceptional circumstances.

6. Risk and Compliance Considerations

- 6.1 In accordance with the Authority's Standing Orders, each year there shall be at least three meetings of the Authority in addition to the Annual Meeting, for the transaction of general business. The dates and times of these meetings, and of such Committees as are appointed, are to be determined by the Authority. Failure to comply with Standing Orders would lead to a risk that high standards of governance will not be met.

7. Impact on our Public Sector Duties

7.1 Integrated Assessment Completed: No

7.2 Equality, Socio-Economic, Health and Human Rights Impacts

- 7.2.1 Setting a calendar of meetings for the year has no negative or positive impacts on equality, people experiencing socio-economic disadvantage, health or human rights impacts. Times of meetings have been set according to the preferences expressed by Members.

7.3 Welsh Language Impacts

- 7.3.1 Setting a calendar of meetings has no impacts on the number of Welsh speakers or compliance with Welsh Language standards. Members are able to contribute to meetings of the Authority and Development Management Committee in Welsh or English through the provision of Simultaneous Interpretation.

7.4 Section 6 Biodiversity Duty and Carbon Emission Impacts

- 7.4.1 The calendar of meetings has no impacts on biodiversity. As hybrid meetings return, it is likely that carbon emissions will increase compared to holding meetings online only, however this needs to be balanced against the benefits to be had from face to face meetings.

7.5 Well-being Goals for Wales and 5 Ways of Working (Sustainable Development Principles) Impacts

- 7.5.1 Effective governance supports the Authority's compliance with the Well-being Goals for Wales and the Sustainable Development Principles.

8. Conclusion

- 8.1 The Calendar of Meetings for the forthcoming year is appended to this report and Members are asked to approve it.

9. List Background Documentation:

None

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July 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
29 Jun	30	1 Jul 10:00 Grants Committee Site Visit/Workshop	2	3
6 09:30 DM Site Inspection	7	8 Welsh Members Seminar (Bannau Bryncheiniog)	9	10
13	14	15 10:00 DM Committee	16	17
20 School Holidays begin	21	22 10:00 Audit and Corporate Services Review	23	24
27 09:30 DM Site Inspection	28	29 10:00 NPA 14:00 Workshop	30	31

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August 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 Aug	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31	1 Sep	2	3	4

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September 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
31 Aug	1 Sep	2 10:00 DM Committee	3	4
7	8	9 10:00 Operational Review Committee	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
	UK National Parks Conference, Cairngorms			
			WLGA Conference (Brangwyn Hall (Guildhall Rd S, Swansea,	
21	22	23 10:00 NPA 13:30 Workshop	24	25
28	29	30 10:00 LDP Workshop	1 Oct	2

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October 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
28 Sep	29	30	1 Oct	2
5	6	7 09:30 Study day	8	9
12 09:30 DM Site Inspection	13	14 10:00 Grants Committee	15	16
19	20	21 10:00 DM Committee	22	23
26	27	28	29	30
Half Term				

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November 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Nov	3	4 10:00 Workshop	5	6
9	10	11 10:00 Audit and Corporate Services Review Committee	12	13
16	17	18 10:00 Workshop	19	20
23 09:30 DM Site Inspection	24	25 10:00 Operational Review Committee	26	27
30	1 Dec	2	3	4

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December 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
30 Nov	1 Dec	2 10:00 DM Committee	3	4
7	8	9 10:00 NPA 13:30 Workshop	10	11
14	15	16 10:00 Budget workshop	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
School Christmas Holidays To 1 Jan →				
28	29	30	31	1 Jan 27
School Christmas Holidays To 1 Jan →				

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January 2027

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
28 Dec	29	30	31	1 Jan 27 School Christmas Holidays
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13 10:00 Workshop	14	15
18 10:00 DM Site Inspection	19	20 10:00 Grants Committee	21	22
25	26	27 10:00 DM Committee	28	29

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February 2027

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Feb	2	3 10:00 NPA 10:00 Workshop	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
Half Term				
15	16	17 10:00 Standards Committee	18	19
22	23	24 10:00 Audit and Corporate Services Review Committee	25	26

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March 2027

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Mar 09:30 DM Site Inspection	2	3 10:00 Operational Review Committee	4	5
8	9	10 10:00 DM Committee	11	12
15	16	17 10:00 NPA 13:30 Workshop	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
Easter Holidays To 2 Apr →				
29	30	31	1 Apr	2
Easter Holidays				

April 2027

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
29 Mar	30	31	1 Apr Easter Holidays	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

May 2027

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 May Spring Bank Holiday	4	5	6	7
10 09:30 DM Site inspection	11	12	13	14
17	18	19 10:00 DM Committee	20	21
24	25	26 10:00 Grants Committee	27	28
31 Half Term	1 Jun	2	3	4

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June 2027

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
31 May	1 Jun	2	3	4
	Half Term			
7	8	9 10:00 Induction	10	11
14	15	16 10:00 AGM 10:30 Ordinary NPA	17	18
21	22	23 10:00 Induction	24	25
28	29	30	1 Jul	2

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