



Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance)

Council

Date: 18th July 2007

Subject: Cancellation of Council Meeting – 5th September 2007

Electoral Wards Affected:

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1.0 Purpose Of This Report

- 1.1 To seek formal confirmation from full Council for the cancellation of the meeting scheduled to be held on 5th September 2007

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 The Annual Council meeting on 24th May agreed the Council meeting dates for 2007/08 which included a meeting on 5th September 2007. An initial suggestion was made at group leader level that a meeting so soon after August could be cancelled with little or no detriment to the conduct of Council business. An officer analysis of the suggestion concluded that “there is no evident legal, policy or governance reason to prevent cancellation of the September Council meeting and the suggestion can therefore be considered solely on political terms”. Party Whips agreed on 19th June that the meeting should be cancelled and the Lord Mayor at the Council meeting on 20th June made an announcement to that effect.

3.0 Conclusions

- 3.1 Considerations prior to the writing of this report have all but formally concluded that the September Council meeting be cancelled

4.0 Recommendations

- 4.1 That Council formally resolve that the meeting scheduled for 5th September 2007 be cancelled.