

ITEM 10 AMENDMENT TO 2026 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

At its meeting held on 15 December 2025 Council adopted meeting dates for the 2026 calendar year. An amendment to the adopted schedule of meetings is required to make allowance for the NSW Government's recent announcement of an additional public holiday for Anzac Day, gazetted for Monday 27 April 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

Council adopts the calendar of Ordinary Council Meeting dates as detailed in this report.

REPORT AUTHORISATIONS

Report of: Todd Hopwood, Manager Customer + Business Integrity

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ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report

BACKGROUND

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council is required to meet at least ten times each financial year, each time in a different month. At its meeting held on 15 December 2025, Council adopted meeting dates for the 2026 calendar year and has since held meetings on 2 and 23 February 2026. On 15 February 2026, the NSW Government announced an additional public holiday on the Monday following Anzac Day in 2026 and 2027.

PROPOSAL

This report recommends adopting the below set of meeting dates, for the remainder of the calendar year, with the April meeting being brought forward by one week –

- Monday 20 April 2026
- Monday 25 May 2026
- Monday 29 June 2026
- Monday 27 July 2026
- Monday 24 August 2026
- Monday 21 September 2026
- Monday 26 October 2026
- Monday 16 November 2026
- Monday 14 December 2026

The additional public holiday for 2027 will be taken into consideration as part of the development of the 2027 Council Meeting timetable to be brought to Council for consideration later this year.

PLANNING AND POLICY IMPACT

This report contributes to the delivery of Our Wollongong Our Future 2035 Goal 4 '*We have a healthy, respectful and inclusive community*'.

It specifically delivers on core business activities as detailed in the Customer and Business Integrity Business Plan 2025-2026.

CONCLUSION

The recommended set of meeting dates aligns with the reporting timeframes set out by the Office of Local Government and meets relevant requirements under the *Local Government Act 1993*.