



Belfast City Council

Report to: Strategic Policy & Resources Committee

Subject: Change of Date of Meeting

Date: 21 September 2012

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1	Relevant Background Information
1.1	Members will be aware that Standing Order 1 requires the monthly Council meeting to be held on the first day of each month except on a Bank Holiday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday.
1.2	This would mean that the first Council meeting of the next calendar year would be scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 2nd January, 2013 at 6.00pm.

2	Key Issues
2.1	In previous years this date has been considered to be within the festive or holiday period and Members have suggested it might be more appropriate to hold the meeting later in the month.
2.2	It is therefore proposed that the Council meeting be rescheduled for Monday, 7th January, 2013 at 6.00pm.
2.3	In order to keep clear the Committee schedule for the first week in January, any meetings normally scheduled for that week will be rescheduled as appropriate.

3	Resource Implications
	N/A

4	Equality and Good Relations Implications
4.1	N/A

5	Recommendations
5.1	It is recommended that the first Council meeting in 2013 be rescheduled to Monday, 7th January at 6.00pm.

6	Decision Tracking
Stephen McCrory October, 2012.	

7	Key to Abbreviations
N/A	