

## Council Issues

### 1. Appointment of Chairman of the Standards Committee

At the last meeting, as part of its response to the Report of the Independent Review Panel on Members Allowances, Council agreed to the deletion of the Special Responsibility Allowance for the Chairman of the Standards Committee from the Members Allowances Scheme on the basis that this role would be combined in an enhanced role for the Chairman of the Audit Committee. The new arrangements come into effect on 1 January 2016. It is therefore

#### **Recommended:**

That the Chairman of the Audit Committee be also appointed as the Chairman of the Essex County Council and Essex Fire Authority Joint Standards Committee with effect from 1 January 2016.

### 2. Dates of Future Meetings

Dates for future Council meetings have been agreed for Tuesdays 9 February (Budget) and 10 May (Annual) 2016. It is proposed that dates now be agreed for meetings up until May 2017.

#### **Recommended:**

That the following dates be agreed for future meetings of the Council:

Tuesdays, 12 July, 11 October and 6 December 2016 and 14 February (Budget) and 16 May (Annual following the County Council Elections) 2017, commencing at 10 am.