



COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR

1 OCTOBER 2025

## **TIMETABLE OF COMMITTEE/COMHAIRLE MEETINGS 2026 PUBLIC AND LOCAL HOLIDAYS 2026**

Report by Chief Executive

### **PURPOSE**

- 1.1 The purpose of the Report is to seek approval for the proposed public and local holidays in 2026 together with the proposed programme of Committee and Comhairle meetings.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 2.1 The draft Comhairle Year Planner for 2026 appended to the Report sets out the proposed pattern of meetings for Committees and the Comhairle together with suggested local and public holidays. The series in March/April has been brought forward to take account of the Scottish Parliament Election and Easter Holidays. The School Holidays for 2026/27 will be included in the Year Planner following confirmation by the Chief Officer, Education and Children's Services.
- 2.2 Following approval, the timetable will be passed to Hebridean Housing Partnership, NHS Eileanan Siar and the Integration Joint Board to enable them to take account of the Comhairle's meeting dates when considering their Board meetings for 2026.
- 2.3 For ease of reference the proposed local and public holidays are set out separately in Appendix 2 to the Report. Following agreement of the proposed timetable additional information in relation to timings of other meetings such as the Outer Hebrides Community Planning Partnership, IJB, and CoSLA will be included.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 **It is recommended that the Comhairle approve the proposed timetable for Committee and Comhairle meetings and Public and Local Holidays for 2026 as detailed in Appendices 1 and 2 to the Report.**

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Appendix: Timetable for Committee/Comhairle Meetings 2026  
Public and Local Holidays 2026  
Background Papers: None



## IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The following implications are applicable in terms of the Report.

| <b>Resource Implications</b>  | <b>Implications/None</b>  |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Financial                     | None  |
| Legal                         | None  |
| Staffing                      | None  |
| Assets and Property           | None  |
|                               |   |
| <b>Strategic Implications</b> | <b>Implications/None</b>  |
| Risk                          | None  |
| Equalities/Child Rights       | None  |
| Corporate Strategy            | The Comhairle will continue to have in place proper arrangements (known as the Governance Framework) for the governance of the Comhairle's affairs. |
| Environmental Impact          | None  |
| Consultation                  | None  |

