

2. Ordinary Meetings

2.1 Ordinary meetings of the Council will take place in accordance with a programme decided at the Council's annual meeting. Ordinary meetings will:

- (iv) receive any announcements from the Mayor, leader, members of the executive or the Chief Executive;

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Announcements by the leader or a member of the executive

5.17A Unless previously authorised by the Council, where, in accordance with rule 2.1(iv), the leader makes any announcements, the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) the total time allowed for making the announcements shall be limited to twenty minutes;
- (b) the opposition group leaders shall be given an opportunity to comment upon the announcements and the total time allowed shall be limited to five minutes;
- (c) the leader shall have the opportunity to respond to any issues raised by the opposition group leaders;
- (d) no further discussion will take place on any announcement, but any member may move that a matter raised in an announcement be referred to the executive or to the appropriate committee for further consideration and, once seconded, such a motion will be voted on without discussion.

5.17B Unless previously authorised by the Council, where, in accordance with rule 2.1(iv), a member of the executive makes any announcements, the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) the total time allowed for making the announcements shall be limited to ten minutes;
- (b) the opposition group spokespersons, or the opposition group leaders, shall be given an opportunity to comment upon the announcements and the total time allowed shall be limited to five minutes;
- (c) the member of the executive, or the leader, shall have the opportunity to respond to any issues raised by the opposition members;
- (d) no further discussion will take place on any announcement, but any member may move that a matter raised in an announcement be referred to the executive or to the appropriate committee for further consideration and, once seconded, such a motion will be voted on without discussion.