

AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS.

A - MEETING DATE AFTER AN ELECTION.

The present Standing Order convening the meeting after the election reads -

“The Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held –

- (a) In an election year on the Monday next following the fourth day after the ordinary day of election etc.**

It is suggested that this now reads –

“The Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held –

- (a) In an election year within fourteen days of the ordinary day of election etc.**

NOTE:

The Act allows the Annual Meeting to be held within fourteen days after the election.

This amended wording recognises that, as the day of an election is always a Thursday, so the Annual Meeting could be held on either of the Thursdays following the day of the election or, if it is wished, revert to the Monday following the election.

Councillors are deemed to have been elected on the fourth day after the day of the election – that is on the Monday following the election day, and the new Council comes into being on that date.

If there is urgent business which will not wait for fourteen days then a meeting could be convened for the Monday.

B - PLACE OF MEETING

The present Standing Order determining the place and time of meeting reads –

Meetings of the Council shall be held on the third Thursday of each month, at 7.45pm or at such other date and time as is decided by the Council, at the Adelaide Room, Holy Trinity Church, Hermitage, or, if this location is unavailable, at any other location permitted under LGA 1972.

It is suggested that the words “if this location is unavailable” be deleted.

NOTE:

This simply allows freedom to choose a location.

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