

Responses to the survey

Question 1 – when would you prefer meetings?	Number	Percentage¹
Morning	29	83%
Afternoon (starting between 2pm and 4pm)	2	6%
Afternoon (starting at 4.30pm)	2	6%
Evening (starting after 5pm)	2	6%
Question 2 - Would you apply your preference to:	Number	Percentage
All committees	26	74%
Only committees you are a member of	5	14%
Only certain committees (please state below)	4	11%
<p>Comments submitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Committee • Full Council & all Scrutiny committees including Audit / Corporate Governance • Only full Council, all other committees should rotate. Arranging meetings to suit existing councillors may deter others to refrain from putting themselves forward for election due to the pattern of meetings • Full Council and Performance Scrutiny 		

¹ Percentages given relate to the total number of members (35) who took part in the survey. Totals are rounded up or down to the nearest whole number.

Question 3 – If one committee was to meet at 4.30pm which committee would you want that to be?	Number²	Percentage
None	8	23%
<i>Number surveyed who skipped this question</i>	8	23%
Planning Committee	5	14%
Full Council	4	11%
Member Area Groups	2	6%
N/A	2	6%
One I'm not on	2	6%
Partnerships Scrutiny	1	3%
Licensing Committee	1	3%
Health & Safety Committee	1	3%
The one with the least work	1	3%
Question 4 – Would you prefer to see the timing of meetings rotate?	Number	Percentage
No	26	74%
Yes	6	17%
No preference	3	9%

² 25 responses were submitted to this question. 8 members skipped this question.

Question 5 – If [you answered] yes, would you like the timings to rotate for:	Number³	Percentage
All committees	1	3%
Some committees only (please list which committee(s))	9	25%
Comments submitted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I would rather them all not to rotate because it is easier to plan such things as my annual leave if I have the meeting dates in advance. I plan any holidays around Council and any committees I sit on so that I do not miss any. • Ones I'm not on • Only full Council and Planning • Depends / Not applicable [2 respondents] / None [3 respondents] 		
Question 6 – Are there particular times that would cause you difficulties?	Number	Percentage
No	14	40%
Yes (please state below)	21	60%
Comments submitted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evening meetings because as a County Councillor I attend a large number of ward meetings in the evenings which include such meetings as community councils (in my ward I have three of these) and school governors (I have two schools in my ward) • Evenings [7 respondents] • Mornings • Evenings due to winter travelling conditions • School pick up times • As on voluntary committees at night is a problem • Third Thursday of the month • Evenings and afternoons • Evening meetings because of other commitments in my ward. Community council meetings, school governor meetings, etc etc, • Only if there are other meetings [I] need to attend • Yes, late afternoon as I have children 		

³ More respondents answered this question (14 responses) than replied that they wanted timings to rotate in question 4 (6 respondents wanted timings to rotate).

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As I still work full time and only have 37hrs a year allowance from my employers, I have to be selective as to what committees I attend and what roles I would like to pursue • Weekdays during normal working hours • Late afternoon • After 6pm as I sit on several charity, community and government committees 		
Question 7 – Do you have a preferred location(s) for meeting venues?	Number	Percentage
No	21	60%
Yes (please state below)	14	40%
Comments submitted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ruthin [6 respondents] • Virtual meetings where possible or failing that at the venue that is closest to the majority of elected members • Llangollen • Rhyl • I feel meetings should be moved around the Council area • Ruthin or Denbigh • Rotate around authority buildings • Caledfryn Denbigh [2 respondents] 		