

arc21 Joint Committee

Schedule of Meetings 2026

The Joint Committee has traditionally met on a monthly basis, on the last Thursday of the month, except for the November and December meetings which are combined and held in the first week of December.

It was agreed at the September 2025 Joint Committee meeting to continue to hold quarterly meetings in a hybrid format to accommodate those wishing to attend in person and the rest of the meetings to be held online, using MS Teams.

In terms of the hybrid meetings, these will be rotated around the council chambers in alphabetical order and councils have been asked to book appropriate facilities. This will require Members to inform us of their intention to attend either online or in person at least two weeks in advance of the scheduled meeting, so that councils can be advised accordingly and catering arranged.

In terms of the meetings to be held in 2026, the schedule of dates are set out below. These are planned to start at 10.30am and end around 12.00 noon.

Thursday 29 January - online using MS Teams

Thursday 26 February - online using MS Teams

Thursday 26 March - hybrid, to be hosted by NMDDC-*cancelled due to being inquorate*

Thursday 30 April - online using MS Teams

Thursday 28 May - online using MS Teams

Thursday 25 June - hybrid, to be hosted by ANBC

July - no meeting

Thursday 27 August - online using MS Teams

Thursday 24 September – AGM and meeting, hybrid, to be hosted by ANDBC

Thursday 29 October - online using MS Teams

Tuesday 1 December - hybrid to be hosted by BCC

Special (Ad – Hoc) Meetings

In addition, from time to time arc21 has needed to call Special Meetings of the Joint Committee.

While this approach has been used sparingly in the past, there may be further occasions when such arrangements will be required, such as to ratify contract award. With online meetings now being re-instated, Members are requested to support the officers and seek to attend such meetings should circumstances require that they be convened.