

Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Environment (including Transport)

Thursday, 19 March 2015 at 10.30 am County Hall, New Road, Oxford

Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on Friday 27 March 2015 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

Copies of the reports are circulated (by e-mail) to all members of the County Council.

These proceedings are open to the public

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Note: Date of next meeting: 30 April 2015

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Items for Decision

1. Declarations of Interest

2. Questions from County Councillors

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am two working days before the meeting, ask a question on any matter in respect of the Cabinet Member's delegated powers.

The number of questions which may be asked by any councillor at any one meeting is limited to two (or one question with notice and a supplementary question at the meeting) and the time for questions will be limited to 30 minutes in total. As with questions at Council, any questions which remain unanswered at the end of this item will receive a written response.

Questions submitted prior to the agenda being despatched are shown below and will be the subject of a response from the appropriate Cabinet Member or such other councillor or officer as is determined by the Cabinet Member, and shall not be the subject of further debate at this meeting. Questions received after the despatch of the agenda, but before the deadline, will be shown on the Schedule of Addenda circulated at the meeting, together with any written response which is available at that time.

3. Petitions and Public Address

4. Cutteslowe & Wolvercote Junction Improvements (Pages 1 - 28)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/160 *Contact:* Jim Daughton, Service Manager – Delivery Tel: (01865) 815083

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy - Commercial & Delivery (CMDE4).

The report considers objections and comments received as a result of formal consultation on proposals to introduce permanent traffic orders as part of the scheme proposals for the improvement schemes at Wolvercote and Cutteslowe junctions.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve:

- (a) the proposed amendment to the TRO for 30mph speed limit on A44 north of Wolvercote junction;
- (b) the proposed amendment to the TRO for 40mph speed limit on A40 west of Wolvercote junction;
- (c) the proposed amendment to the TRO for 40mph speed limit on A40 east of Cutteslowe junction;
- (d) the proposed amendment to the TRO for 30mph speed limit on A40

North Way between Wolvercote and Cutteslowe junctions;

- (e) the proposed TRO for prohibition of right turn movements out of the garages (BP and BMW) on A40 west of Wolvercote junction;
- (f) the proposed new off carriageway cycle route at Wolvercote from A44 Woodstock Road (N) to A40 North Way;
- (g) the proposed new off carriageway cycle routes on A40 Elsfield Way from Cutteslowe junction to Jackson Road;
- (h) the removal of the 2 existing pedestrian crossings on A40 North Way between Wolvercote and Cutteslowe junctions;

5. Witney Road, Eynsham - Proposed Zebra Crossing (Pages 29 - 36)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/194 Contact: Jim Daughton, Service Manager – Delivery Tel: (01865) 815083

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Commercial & Delivery (CMDE5).

This report considers responses to a consultation for a proposed zebra crossing on Witney Road, Eynsham.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed zebra crossing on Witney Road.

6. Exempt Item

It is RECOMMENDED that the public be excluded for the duration of item 7E since it is likely that if they were present during that item there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and specified below in relation to that item and since it is considered that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information on the grounds set out in that item.

NOTE: The main report relating to item 7E does not itself contain exempt information and is thus available to the public. The exempt information is contained either in an Annex which has been circulated only to members and officers entitled to receive it, or will be reported orally at the meeting.

MEMBERS AND OFFICERS ARE REMINDED THAT THE EXEMPT FINANCIAL INFORMATION RELATING TO SUBSIDY AGREEMENTS REPORTED AT THE MEETING (WHETHER IN WRITING OR ORALLY) MUST NOT BE DIVULGED TO ANY THIRD PARTY

7. Bus Service Subsidies Review (Pages 37 - 104)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/164

Contact: Andrew Pau, Strategic Manager, Waste & Transport Tel: (01865) 815867

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Commercial & Delivery (CMDE7E).

This report and the associated Annexes deals with:

- (A) Contract awards following the review of subsidised bus services in the Vale of White Horse area
- (B) Contract awards following the review of subsidised bus services in the South Oxfordshire area
- (C) Contract awards following the review of subsidised bus services elsewhere in Oxfordshire (which for technical reasons include some additional services which operate in the Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire areas)

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to:

- a) make decisions on subsidy for the services described in this report on the basis of the tender prices (and the periods of time) as set out in Supplementary Exempt Annex 2;
- b) record that in the opinion of the Cabinet Member for Transport the decisions made in (a) above are urgent in that any delay likely to be caused by the call in process would result in service discontinuity and in accordance with the requirements of Scrutiny Procedure Rule 17(b) those decisions should not be subject to the call in process, and;
- c) delegate authority to the Deputy Director for Environment & Economy (Commercial) in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment to negotiate an appropriate level of ongoing contribution toward service 8 (Brackley – Hethe – Fringford – Stratton Audley – Bicester: Item AK) and service 90 (Lambourn – Ashbury – Swindon: Item L) with each contracting authority.
- d) delegate authority to the Deputy Director for Environment & Economy (Commercial) in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment to award contracts relating to the items below which are subject to a delayed competitive tendering exercise. Where the contracts being awarded are substantially different to those laid out in Annex 2 local County Council Members will also be consulted.

ITEM C: Service 38 ITEM D: Services 40, 41, 42, 44 and 218 ITEM G: Service 63 ITEM J: Services 67/67A/67B ITEM M: Services 94/95 ITEM Q: Service X47 ITEM U: Services 97/114/135 ITEM W: Service 134 ITEM Y: Services 120, 121, 123 and 124 Page 5

ITEM Z: Services 125, 126 and 131