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If you have a query please contact Sue Whitehead (Tel: (01865) 810262; E-Mail: sue.whitehead@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

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REC	COMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED	DECISIONS	ACTION	
1.	Apologies for Absence	None.	HLG (A. Newman)	
2.	Declarations of Interest	None.		
3.	Minutes			
held	pprove the minutes of the meeting on 5 September 2015 (CA3) and to we information arising from them.	Agreed and signed.	SW	
4.	Questions from County Councillors	See attached annex.		
5.	Petitions and Public Address	Petition submitted by Councillor Fooks asking that the No. 17 bus service be retained. Public Address: Item 6 – Councillor Hards Item 7 – Councillor Brighouse Item 9 – Councillor Laura Price Item 10 - Councillor Laura Price Item 11 – Councillor Laura Price Mrs Sue Tanner, Rose Hill & Donnington Advice Centre Item 12 – Councillor Gill Sanders Item 13 – Councillor Gill Sanders Item 14 – Councillor Liz Brighouse Item 18 – Councillor Nick Hards		
6.	2015/16 Financial Monitoring & Business Strategy Delivery			

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	Report - August 2015				
Cabinet Member: Finance Forward Plan Ref: 2015/042 Contact: Kathy Wilcox, Chief Accountant Tel: (01865) 323981		Recommendations agreed with an amended annex 2a as set out in the addenda.	CFO (K.		
(a) (b)	Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to: note the report; approve the virement requests set of Annex 2a; Recommend Council to approve: i. the virement in respect of the unringfenced grant received by the Council relating to the closure of the Independent Living Fund as set out in paragraph 34; ii. the transfer £2m from Public Health reserves to the Children's Homes Capital Project as set out in paragraph 66;		Wilcox)		
(d)	approve the bad debt write off as set out in paragraph 59;				
(e)	note the Treasury Management lending list at Annex 4;				
(f)	approve the fees and charges as set out in Part 4 and Annex 7a;				
(g)	approve the updated capital programme in Annex 9 (changes to the Capital Programme set out in Annex 8c);				
(h)	approve the inclusion in the capital programme of: i. £1.3m adult social care capital grant to fund the adult social care management system in the capital programme; ii. £2.4m Disabled Facilities Grant which will be pass ported to District Councils; iii. an increase in budget of £0.4m for Frideswide Square; iv. £5m increase in the Broadband programme reflecting contributions from District Councils and the Local Enterprise				

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Partnership.			
7. Devolution			
Cabinet Member: Leader Forward Plan Ref: 2015/099 Contact: Maggie Scott, Head of Policy Tel: (01865) 816081			
Cabinet are asked to: (a) note the current position in discussions regarding devolution of powers to Oxfordshire, as set out in this paper; and (b) agree that a debate should be held at full council on 3 November on this issue in order to understand all members' views.	Recommendations agreed.	HoP (M. Scott) HoPS (D. Miller)	
8. Townlands Community Hospital - A New Model for Health and Care in the Henley-on-Thames area			
Cabinet Member: Adult Social Care Forward Plan Ref: 2015/089 Contact: Kate Terroni, Deputy Director – Joint Commissioning Tel: (01865) 815792			
The Cabinet is recommended to note the intentions of the Clinical Commissioning Group and the potential implications for the County council.	Recommendation agreed.	DoASS (K. Terr	
9. Learning Disability Health Provision			
Cabinet Member: Adult Social Care Forward Plan Ref: 2015/051 Contact: Benedict Leigh, Strategic Commissioner Adults Tel: (01865) 323584			
Cabinet is:			
(a) RECOMMENDED to approve the	Recommendations agreed.	DoASS (B. Leigh)	

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	Learning Disability Strategy for Oxfordshire;				
(b)	ASKED to note the extension of Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust's contract for health services with Oxfordshire County Council				
(c)	RECOMMENDED to approve the transfer of the contract for Learning Disability health services to Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group as soon as an acceptable contract has been agreed.				
10.	Adult Social Care - Workforce Development Strategy				
Forw Cont	net Member: Adult Social Care vard Plan Ref: 2015/100 act: Kate Terroni, Deputy Director – Commissioning Tel: (01865) 815792				
Cabi	net is recommended to:	Recommendations agreed, with the following additional recommendation:	DoASS (K. Terroni)		
(a)	Endorse the Adult Social Care Workforce Strategy 2015 to 2018.	(d) agree that the report be presented to full Council.			
(b)	Commit to implementing the strategy delivery plan.				
(c)	Request regular progress reports from the Director of Adult Social Care on progress in implementing the strategy and towards achievement of its objectives and targets.				
11.	Information and Advice - Strategy and Procurement Plan				
Forw Cont	net Member: Adult Social Care vard Plan Ref: 2015/052 act: Benedict Leigh, Strategic missioner – Adults Tel: (01865)				

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Cabi	net is:		Recommendations agreed.	Leigh)
(a)		OMMENDED to approve the nation and Advice Strategy;		
(b)	Inform (abov RECO plan f speci	ect to the approval of the nation and Advice Strategy (e) Cabinet is OMMENDED to approve the for the procurement of a alist advice service for dshire.		
12.	Deliv and E Oxfo Futur	Arrangements for the ery of Education Support Engagement with Schools in rdshire in Response to re National and Local enges		
Cabinet Member: Children, Education & Families Forward Plan Ref: 2014/175 Contact: Rebecca Matthews, Interim Deputy Director – Education & Early Intervention Tel: (01865) 815125		n Ref: 2014/175 Rebecca Matthews, Interimeter		
Cabi	Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:		Recommendations agreed.	DCS (R.
	a)	approve, in principle, the creation of a ring-fenced trading service for Schools and Learning, trading with third parties and to allow for further developmental work and consultation with key stakeholders; and		Matthews)
	b)	endorse the proposal to reconfigure the remaining services into a streamlined and integrated Central		

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	School Support Portfolio comprising the remaining non-delegable functions.		
13.	Academies Programme 2015- 2020 : Strategic Groupings of Schools		
Fam Forv Con	inet Member: Children, Education & ilies vard Plan Ref: 2015/065 tact: Allyson Milward, Academies ager Tel: (01865) 816447		
The	Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to	Recommendations agreed.	DCS (A. Milward)
(a)	Adopt the principles set out at paragraph 24 of the 'Strategic Implications for Academies Programme' section above.		wiiwara)
(b)	Adopt a more assertive policy in identifying appropriate sponsors for schools required to convert to academy status.		
(c)	Promote appropriate groupings to form new Multi Academy Trusts and encourage the growth of existing Multi Academy Trusts based in the county.		
(d)	Further develop and promote the collaborative company model, both to incorporate more schools in these and to extend the scope of their pooling of resources and responsibility and		
(e)	Use collaborative companies as a 'stepping stone' to the formation of Multi Academy Trusts.		

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14. Cabinet Business Monitoring Report for Quarter 1 - 2015/16			
Cabinet Member: Deputy Leader Forward Plan Ref: 2015/043 Contact: Maggie Scott, Head of Policy Tel: (01865) 816081			
Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note and discuss the performance reported in the dashboards.	Recommendation agreed	HoP (C. Phillips)	
15. Delegated Powers	Noted.		
Cabinet Member: Leader Forward Plan Ref: 2015/083 Contact: Sue Whitehead, Principal Committee Officer Tel: (01865) 810262 To report on a quarterly basis any executive decisions taken under the specific powers and functions delegated under the terms of Part 7.2 of the Council's Constitution – Paragraph 6.3(c)(i). It is not for scrutiny call in			
16. Forward Plan and Future Business			
Cabinet Member: All Contact Officer: Sue Whitehead, Committee Services Manager (01865 810262)			
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for forthcoming meetings.	Noted.	SW/AB	
17. Exempt Item			
In the event that any Member or Officer wishes to discuss the information set out in the Annex to Item 18, the Cabinet will be invited to resolve to exclude the public for	Resolution not needed. Item taken in public although the annexes remain confidential.		

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the consideration of that Annex by passing a resolution in relation to that item in the following terms:		
"that the public be excluded during the consideration of the Annexes since it is likely that if they were present during that discussion there would be a disclosure of "exempt" information as described in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 and specified below the item in the Agenda".		
18. Aureus School (Great Western Park Secondary), Didcot		
Cabinet Member: Leader Forward Plan Ref: 2015/063 Contact: Philippa Patterson, Major Capital Projects Programme Manager Tel: 07891 566051		
Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Commercial & Delivery (CA18).		
The information contained in the annex is exempt in that it falls within the following prescribed category:		
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) 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, in that where a tender or bidding process is in progress disclosure would prejudice the position of the authority in the process of the transaction and the Council's standing generally in relation to such transactions in future, to		

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prop	detriment of the Council's ability erly to discharge its fiduciary and other as a public authority				
The	Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:				
(a)	approve the Full Business Case for the proposed Aureus Secondary School at Great Western Park, Didcot				
(or)					
(b)	in the event that the approval of the planning application for the secondary school and the completion of the land transfer has yet to take place, delegate to the Chief Finance Officer and Director for Environment & Economy in consultation with the Leader the authority to approve the Full Business Case; and	Recommendations (b) and (c) agreed.	DEE (P. Patterson)		
(c)	delegate to the Chief Finance Officer and Director for Environment & Economy in consultation with the Leader the authority to award the Design & Build contract.				

Question received from the following Member:

1. From Councillor Tanner to Councillor Nimmo Smith

"Now that Oxford has a new transport strategy when does the Cabinet member anticipate being able to install double yellow lines on both sides of Donnington Bridge Road in Oxford to prevent parked cars blocking the cycle lanes?"

Answer

"As part of the county council's Oxford Transport Strategy (OTS), adopted as part of the LTP in September, a number of key 'Cycle Super Routes' across the city, including Donnington Bridge Road, are identified as corridors for implementing upgraded cycle infrastructure. As set out in the draft OTS, changes to parking restrictions will be considered as part of these upgrades, and local residents would of course be consulted. We do not currently have funding for cycling improvements on Donnington Bridge Road and have no expectation of the funds in the short term.

OCC is continually looking for funding opportunities to introduce and enhance cycling schemes across the County, which Councillors will be pleased to note includes Donnington Bridge Road."

2. From Councillor Howson to Councillor Nimmo Smith

"Could the Cabinet member please explain why the closure of the Woodstock Road for the Oxford half marathon did not take place at the location cited in the temporary traffic order published in the Oxford Times only two days before the race was held?"

Answer

"Officers walked the route prior to the event and have confirmed that Woodstock Rd was closed at Little Clarendon St junction only, as per the Traffic Order. It was not closed at St Margaret's Rd junction.

We believe the confusion may be that there was a 'Road Closed Ahead access and public transport only' sign on Woodstock Rd junction with St Margaret's Rd as per the agreed plan. St Margaret's Rd was the signed traffic diversion in both directions for through traffic.

St Margaret's Rd, Kingston Rd and Walton Street is also the signed diversion in both directions for other events which close Woodstock Rd (namely St Giles Fair and Remembrance Service). Leckford Rd, Observatory Street and Little Clarendon Street are not the signed diversion routes for these events and the Oxford Half Marathon used the same diversion route with some parking suspensions at key traffic 'pinch points' to ease the traffic congestion where possible.

Supplementary: Councillor Howson noted that it was a question of how the public interpreted the information and asked that in future it be made clear for the public what was to happen in practice. Councillor Nimmo Smith replied that nothing had been done differently for this event but that he noted and would take on board the concerns raised.