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If you have a query please contact Sue Whitehead (Tel: 07393 001213; E-Mail: sue.whitehead@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

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REC	OMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED	DECISIONS	ACTION
1.	Apologies for Absence	None.	DLG(A Newman)
2.	Declarations of Interest	None	DLG (A. Newman)
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3.	Minutes	Agreed and signed.	
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 25 April 2017 (CA3) and to receive information arising from them.			
4.	Questions from County Councillors	See attached annex.	
5.	Petitions and Public Address	Petition Mr Scott Urban – petition regarding Florence Park Children's Centre Public Address Item 6 – Ms Emma Kennedy; Ms Candida March; Ms Elinor Sinclair; Mr Paul Roberts; Ms Frazana Aslam; Councillor John Sanders; Councillor Helen Evans; Councillor Liz Brighouse Item 7 – Councillor Helen Evans	

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RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED	DECISIONS	ACTION	
	Item 8 – Councillor Laura Price		
6. Transition Fund - May 2017	Recommendations agreed subject to the following amendments shown in	ACE (S. Jelley)	
Cabinet Member: Local Communities Forward Plan Ref: 2017/031	bold and strikethrough		
<i>Contact:</i> Sarah Jelley, Senior Policy & Performance Officer Tel: 07554 103437	(a) approve funding for the following bids:		
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:	a. Ambrosden 4 Children (Ambrosden Children's Centre);		
(a) approve funding for the following bids:	b. Donnington Doorstep (Florence Park Children's		
 (i) Ambrosden 4 Children (Ambrosden Children's Centre); (ii) Donnington Doorstep (Florence Park Children's Centre); 	Centre); c. St Johns Church (Grove & Wantage Children's Centres);		
 (iii) St Johns Church (Grove & Wantage Children's Centres); (iv) HBC Superdads (Marston) 	d. HBC Superdads (Marston Northway Children's Centre);		
 Northway Children's Centre); (v) Henley Baptist Church (Rainbow Children's Centre); 	e. Henley Baptist Church (Rainbow Children's Centre);		
 (vi) Abingdon Baby Café (North Abingdon Children's Centre); (vii) Abingdon Carousel (South 	f. Abingdon Baby Café (North Abingdon Children's		
Abingdon Children's Centre); (viii) Sunshine Centre (Sunshine Children's Centre);	g. Abingdon Carousel (South Abingdon Children's Centre);		
(ix) Witney Churches (Witney Children's Centre).	h. Sunshine Centre (Sunshine Children's Centre);		
(b) Approve the asset transfer for the following proposal:	i. Witney Churches (Witney Children's Centre).		
(i) Afflah Nursery (Florence Park Children's Centre).	(b) Approve the asset transfer for the following proposal: a. Afflah Nursery (Florence Park		
(c) Approve funding for the following bids subject to buildings and leases being resolved:	Children's Centre).		
(i) Friends of Britannia Road (Britannia Road);	(b) Approve funding for the following bids subject to buildings and leases being resolved:		
(ii) The Kings Church (South Didcot).	 a. Friends of Britannia Road (Britannia Road); b. The Kings Church (South) 		

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RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED (d) Decline funding for the following bids: (i) Aspire & Nature Effect; (ii) St Mary's Church, Chipping Norton. (e) Approve the maximum 12 months' rent free period for the following buildings: (i) Ambrosden; (ii) South Abingdon.	DECISIONS Didcot). (c) Decline funding for the following bids: a. Aspire & Nature Effect; b. St Mary's Church, Chipping Norton. (c) Approve the maximum 12 months' rent free period for the following buildings: a. Ambrosden; b. South Abingdon. (d) Defer decisions in respect of: a. the proposal relating to Aflah Nursery b. Aspire & Nature Effect bid c. St Mary's Church Chipping Norton bid with a further report to be submitted to Cabinet as soon as practicable	ACTION		
 7. Provisional 2016/17 Revenue and Capital Outturn Cabinet Member: Finance Forward Plan Ref: 2017/001 Contact: Katy Jurczyszyn, Strategic Finance Manager (Finance, Strategy & Monitoring) Tel: 07584 909518 The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED in respect of the 2016/17 outturn to: (a) note the provisional revenue and capital outturn for 2016/17 along with the year end position on balances and reserves as set out in the report; (b) approve the creation of the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Reserve as set out in paragraph 94; 	Recommendations agreed subject to the corrected paragraph number in recommendation (b) to read 93.	DF (K. Jurczyszyn)		

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(c) (d)	approve the virements as set out in Annex 2a; recommend Council to approve the virements greater than £1.0m for Children, Education & Families, Environment and Economy, Social & Community Services and Strategic Measures as set out in Annex 2a;			
(e)	agree that the surplus on the On- Street Parking Account at the end of the 2016/17 financial year, so far as not applied to particular eligible purposes in accordance with Section 55(4) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, be carried forward in the account to the 2017/18 financial year.			
8.	Staffing Report - Quarter 4 - 2016			
For Con	<i>inet Member:</i> Deputy Leader <i>vard Plan Ref:</i> 2016/147 <i>tact:</i> Sarah Currell, HR Manager – IBC face, Tel: 07867 467793			
	Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note report.	Recommendations agreed.	DHR (S. Currell)	
9.	Appointments 2017/18			
For Con	<i>inet Member:</i> Leader <i>vard Plan Ref:</i> 2017/002 <i>tact:</i> Sue Whitehead, Principal nmittee Officer Tel: 07393 001213			
The (a) (b)	Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to: agree appointments to the bodies set out in the Annex to this report; agree that following a review of appointments a further report is submitted to the October meeting of	Recommendations agreed with names to be supplied by Group Leaders and the updated annex attached to the minutes.	SW	

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Cabinet.			
10. Forward Plan and Future Business			
Cabinet Member: All Contact Officer: Sue Whitehead, Committee Services Manager Tel: 07393 001213			
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for forthcoming meetings.	Noted.		

QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Question from Councillor Howson to Councillor Hibbert-Biles

"How many children taken into care over the past three school years and placed 'out county' have had to wait for more than two weeks to be taken onto the roll of a school in the area where they have been moved to and what is the longest period of time a child has waited for a place at a school in the area where they have been re-located to during this period?"

Answer

Over the past three years it has been exceptional for a Looked After Child to be taken onto the roll of an out of county school in under two weeks. Indeed, of the nine cases of primary age pupils we've looked at, the quickest a pupil was placed was 12 days (there were two) and the slowest was 77 days. For the 22 secondary age pupils the picture is even worse, with 3 weeks the quickest placement and a couple taking fully 6 months to get some of our most vulnerable young people into a stable school setting.

The main reason for this completely unacceptable state of affairs is that the Council has no power to direct an academy to admit a Looked After Child. The only way we can force an academy's hand is to get a direction from the Educations & Skills Funding Agency and this, as you can see from the foregoing times, can be a very long winded bureaucratic process. The fact that it takes so long for academies to admit our Looked After Children shows how doggedly our officers pursue the matter; I suspect that many other local authorities simply give up when they meet an intransigent academy that doesn't want to take responsibility for educating their vulnerable young people.

Supplementary: In response to an invitation from Councillor Howson for the Cabinet Member to work with Councillor Howson and the labour opposition to see what could be done Councillor Hibbert-Biles recognised that it was a national situation and she would be asking for a meeting with local MPs and relevant ministers.