CABINET – 18 SEPTEMBER 2018

ITEM 4 – QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Question received from the following Member:

1. Question to Councillor Heathcoat from Councillor Laura Price

Could the Deputy Leader explain why, at a time when Oxfordshire is considering the implementation of a new operating model with significant implications for staff, the creation of 6 new Deputy Director posts was authorised? Where was the public business case for the appointments and how many other senior positions have been created, or are planned to be created without scrutiny?

Answer

Following Cabinet agreement to the Senior Management Review (SMR) in December 2016, the senior management of Communities (specifically the Environment & Economy areas) was left to be reviewed and adjusted during the restructuring processes underway. This was prior to the initiation of the Transformation programme or Fit for the Future. Following the appointment of the Strategic Director for Communities, his first major task was to review and put in place the senior management teams for the new Department. The first stage of that was to establish new Director posts to reflect the direction of the organisation and align this with other departments to fill out how Communities would engage in cross council work participate in the Corporate Leadership Team (CLT) – again this was prior to Transformation getting under way. The new Directors were then tasked with developing structures which could both meet our MTFP commitments, but also meet the emerging challenges we were facing at the time: unitary council, devolution, property issues arising from Carillion and the development of partnership working.

In the autumn of 2017 an operational decision was taken to add Assistant Director posts into Communities. These new posts would be part of restructuring activity to address the volume and nature of the work in Communities and the need to be prepared to deal with Fit for the Future. This injection of capacity and capability would enable us to address some major issues affecting Communities and indeed the Council. Most significant was how to:

- deal with a failing Carillion contract (prior to their collapse);
- develop and solidify the emerging Growth Deal and Housing Infrastructure Funding proposals;
- develop and deliver a new approach to asset management and investment;
- completely overhaul how we deliver our capital programme; and
- develop and implement the department's part in developing and implementing the emerging target operating model (TOM).

To wait until we agreed the TOM to change our operational leadership structure was not operationally possible because we would not be able to achieve existing MTFP savings (particularly for Planning & Place directorate) and we would not be in a robust position to begin the implementation of the TOM. Similar decisions had been taken previously in People Directorate (both Adults and Children's Services). Although we had no absolute clarity on TOM when we started the process to recruit in January 2018, we knew enough about the emerging layers, the major principles of transformation and the workload priorities to enable us to recruit the skills and capacities we would need to see us through.

2. Question to Councillor Lindsay-Gale from Councillor John Howson

Could you list the revenue balances for all maintained primary schools in Oxfordshire at the end of the 2017/8 financial year and show what percentage of revenue income the balance represents and how the percentage has changed since the end of the previous financial year, as well as the latest available number of pupils on the school roll.

Answer

Please find below the information required for all maintained primary schools in Oxford. This list includes the primary schools maintained as at 31 March 2018 and the data used for the number on roll is at October 2017.

Question on Notice: Summary of School balances							
NOTES:							
Negative balances are SURPLUS balances							
A negative number in "change" column indicates the balance is a lower % of ISB funding than the previous year							

School Primary Schools	Balance at 1-Apr-2017	Percentage of ISB Funding % (a)	Balance at 31-Mar-2018	Percentage of ISB Funding % (b)	Change (b) - (a)	Number on Roll (Oct 17)
Madley Brook	-8,570.80	0.70	-1,700.60	0.10	-0.60	309
Orchard Fields C School	-211,742.63	13.40	-143,761.55	10.00	-3.40	362
Queensway School	-140,055.32	11.30	-120,814.45	9.40	-1.90	365
The Grange School	1,301.02	-0.10	-8,775.72	0.80	0.90	310
Hardwick CP School	-230,867.31	28.50	-187,766.15	23.80	-4.70	196
Charlbury School	-70,191.25	9.00	-68,012.03	8.90	-0.10	189
Enstone School	-63,674.58	13.00	-50,527.96	10.90	-2.10	110
Great Tew County School	-26,037.55	5.60	-19,470.84	4.40	-1.20	100
Kingham School	-33,374.80	4.40	-101,426.09	13.10	8.70	201
Middle Barton School	-28,196.06	5.20	-37,154.91	6.80	1.60	137
Five Acres School	12,520.09	-1.00	-34,729.82	2.80	3.80	356
Brookside School	-88,432.87	7.50	-114,533.38	10.50	3.00	295
Longfields and Nursery School	-62,920.17	5.10	-66,394.99	5.70	0.60	320
Whitchurch County School	-9,306.24	1.70	-6,260.67	1.10	-0.60	136
King's Meadow School	-76,774.11	5.20	-15,945.82 25,859.91	1.20	-4.00	396
Witney C School	24,298.77	-3.10		-3.30	-0.20	199
St Nicholas Stonesfield School	-64,177.84	3.50	-114,579.25	7.60	4.10	412
	-19,179.57	3.50	8,485.28	-1.60	-5.10	123
William Fletcher School	-95,210.93 -162,529,15	9.80	-82,773.11	8.70	-1.10	256
North Kidlington School Sandhills School	-162,529.15 -93.538.80	15.50 7.90	-190,039.45 -146.114.23	17.70 12.60	2.20	299
Sanoniis School RAF Benson C School	,		-146,114.23 -40,243.60	5.50	4.70	313
Stadhampton School	-96,660.98 -39,852.11	13.20 8.90	-40,243.60 -48,328.78	11.10	-7.70	208
Stadnampton School Tetsworth School	-16,301.38	4.90	-20,693.77	6.70	2.20	90
Watlington School	-81,111.30	7.60	-20,693.77 -64,551.99	6.50	1.80	57
Barley Hill School	-192,896.79	11.30	-101,003.11	6.50	-1.10	257
Mill Lane School	-13,079.53	1.70	8,079.96	-1.10	-4.80	464
Nettlebed C School	-49,271.33	8.90	-9,260.71	1.80	-2.80 -7.10	182 126
Sonning Common School	-33,254.97	2.30	-14.096.64	1.00	-1.30	384
South Stoke C School	-39.547.62	14.10	-40.501.73	14.20	0.10	48
Woodcote School	-76,155.61	10.50	-68,463.11	9.10	-1.40	187
Valley Road School	28,463.87	-3.40	20,905.07	-2.70	0.70	196
Badgemore C School	-16,856.03	3.40	-40,459.32	7.90	4.50	102
East Oxford School	-43,566.31	3.60	-87,934.63	7.00	3.40	278
Windmill School	-64,186.72	3.30	-131,594.91	6.40	3.10	630
Rose Hill School	86,128.28	-5.30	333,291.81	-25.90	-20.60	293
West Oxford C School	-36,058.74	4.40	-11,721.22	1.50	-2.90	206
Larkrise School	-78,004.42	4.80	-50,617.36	3.40	-1.40	405
Chilton County School	-175,626.46	18.90	-172,797.04	20.70	1.80	229
Drayton CP School	-35,988.27	6.10	-41,742.21	6.90	0.80	160
Harwell School	-29,717.92	4.50	-60,457.80	8.60	4.10	181
Dry Sandford School	-15,251.18	3.10	-57,348.50	10.70	7.60	103
Botley School	-263,828.87	19.40	-241,159.85	18.60	-0.80	371
Fir Tree Junior School	-61,565.17	8.00	-76,383.86	9.50	1.50	212
Stockham School	-63,104.41	7.80	-71,574.53	8.80	1.00	210
Thomas Reade School	-181,012.19	21.60	-137,673.12	17.60	-4.00	209
Wood Farm School	-102,082.23	7.00	-95,070.80	6.20	-0.80	382
Edward Feild School	-123,587.73	10.60	-63,145.60	5.90	-4.70	207
John Hampden School	76,750.65	-5.80	-90,493.18	6.80	12.60	380
Stephen Freeman School	-236,320.04	17.90	-229,975.09	17.40	-0.50	382
Carswell C School	-228,558.51	22.00	-172,298.42	18.50	-3.50	246
West Witney County School	-98,438.85	8.50	-109,552.49	9.50	1.00	336
Long Furlong School	-16,954.94	2.00	-10,672.26	1.30	411.4	205
Caldecott School	-198,431.95	14.50	-161,266.89	12.30	-2.20	351
Langford Village C School	-180,404.46	11.10	-205,232.82	13.80	2.70	415
Bure Park School	-17,012.81	0.90	-71,250.52	4.20	3.30	446
St John The Evangelist CE (A) School	-84,400.18 -18,207.77	5.80	-86,874.11	6.30	0.50	400
Cropredy CE School	-18,297.77	2.60	-32,806.06	5.00		179
Chadlington CE School	-41,861.18 -75,433.79	9.20	-38,937.77	8.60	-0.60	103
Hook Norton CE School Bloxham CE School	-75,433.79 -118,990.28	8.60 7.90	-113,843.58	13.60 7.60	5.00	210
Fritwell CE School	-118,990.28		-112,867.53 -68,918.11	12.40	-0.30	406
Charlton-on-Otmoor CE School	-112,421.15 -5,841.39	18.40 1.40	20,036.79	-4.90	-6.00	126
Chariton-on-Otmoor CE School Chesterton CE Aided School	-5,841.39		-33,985.80	-4.90 6.50	0.00	120
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Fringford CE School	-77,234.41	18.10	-48,579.86	11.80	-6.30	9

Launton CE School	-29,497.16	4.60	-11,398.98	1.90	-2.70	145
Finmere CE School	-23,232.95	8.80	-10,523.65	4.60	-4.20	29
Clanfield CE School	-14,111.56	2.70	-49,748.67	9.30	6.60	143
Aston and Cote CE School	-22,186.37	3.90	-21,390.75	3.80	-0.10	150
Ducklington School	8,232.62	-1.10	-12,253.91	1.60	2.70	194
Hailey CE School	-55,407.38	12.00	-91,569.63	20.50	8.50	97
St Kenelm's C of E (VC) School	-43,487.14	9.50	-66,867.64	14.90	5.40	98
Bletchingdon Parochial CE School	-21,375.97	5.30	-37,728.65	10.10	4.80	7:
Combe CE School	-53,975.89	11.50	-70,666.78	14.90	3.40	107
Woodstock CE School	-216,349.36	19.70	-111,574.79	10.60	-9.10	315
Bladon CE School	-59,047.94	13.90	-39,381.08	9.90	-4.00	97
Aston Rowant CE School Benson CE School	-56,032.10 -73,380.90	13.50	-46,739.63 -81,210.72	12.50 11.90	-1.00	72
St Andrew's CE School, Chinnor	-73,360.90	4.20	-38,811.79	3.80	1.90	179
Clifton Hampden CE School	-39,304.18	11.90	-63.244.52	18.00	-0.40 6.10	29:
Lewknor CE School	-62,715.93	16.00	-65,319.40	16.60	0.60	7:
Dorchester St Birinus CE School	-66,588.43	18.10	-43,642.36	10.80	-7.30	94
Great Milton CE School	-52.183.73	7.00	-79,435.16	12.50	5.50	148
Marsh Baldon CE (Controlled) School	-50,069.88	14.50	-55,792.17	17.40	2.90	54
Culham Parochial CE School	-100,480.29	33.60	-55,843.12	18.80	-14.80	44
Crowmarsh Gifford CE School	-98,413.18	12.80	-22.936.60	3.00	-9.80	200
Peppard CE School	-3,545.05	0.80	-21,214.66	4.90	4.10	99
Stoke Row CE School	-2,707.58	0.70	3,815.36	-0.90	-1.60	92
Church Cowley St James CE (Controlled) School	-542,331.86	30.70	-466,260.69	29.90	-0.80	400
St Andrew's CE School	-120,213.14	12.80	-123,956.27	13.70	0.90	239
New Hinksey CE School	-99,494.32	14.10	-86,822.49	13.80	-0.30	151
St Michael's CE School	-82,673.61	10.90	-70,860.35	9.20	-1.70	20
Cumnor CE School (Voluntary Controlled)	-12,388.65	1.60	-3,839.56	0.50	-1.10	209
The Ridgeway CE (C) School	-25,093.38	8.10	-25,315.86	8.10	0.00	68
Long Wittenham CE School	-40,364.49	9.80	-46,165.20	11.00	1.20	96
Longworth School	-35,098.26	9.60	-32,041.56	8.70	-0.90	81
Marcham CE (VC) School	-47,017.88	8.10	-5,949.82	1.00	-7.10	140
Radley CE School	-56,895.80	11.70	-66,720.13	14.50	2.80	9
Stanford in the Vale CE School	-53,918.05	7.10	-67,760.43	8.70	1.60	204
St Michael's CE School (Steventon)	-49,193.95	7.20	-42,005.52	6.10	-1.10	184
Sunningwell CE School	-62,359.70	13.50	-69,269.77	16.40	2.90	91
All Saints' Sutton Courtenay CE School	-71,211.65	11.50	-84,056.91	13.70	2.20	154
St Nicholas' CE Infants' School & Nursery Class (Wallingford)	-49,653.33	7.60	-45,928.05	7.40	-0.20	16
St Nicolas CE School (Abingdon)	-154,275.10	10.20	-150,120.86	10.40	0.20	396
Blewbury Endowed CE School	-40,279.69	6.70	-12,037.67	2.00	-4.70	166
Hagbourne CE School	-87,287.38	10.90	-61,475.37	7.80	-3.10	204
Uffington CE School	-27,212.34	6.10	-61,854.20	14.20	8.10	93
St Francis CE School	-37,434.32	3.10	-75,825.27	7.00	3.90	270
Trinity CE School	-183,109.55	16.40	-111,962.73	11.10	-5.30	283
Beckley CE School	-70,323.19	11.80	-71,097.97	12.70	0.90	128
Wychwood CE School	-84,217.01	8.30	-56,190.79	5.50	-2.80	285
St Swithun's CE School	4,244.52	-0.30	-23,804.03	1.90	2.20	368
Milton CE School (Abingdon)	-47,053.37	14.10	-65,934.20	18.80	4.70	72
St Leonard's CE School	30,366.65	-1.90	47,478.67	-3.10	-1.20	356
St John's Catholic School	-1,131.75	0.10	26,157.72	-2.50	-2.60	289
Great Rollright CE (Aided) School	-10,980.74	2.50	-15,232.60	3.50	1.00	102
Christopher Rawlins CE Voluntary Aided School	-3,694.03	0.40	5,499.39	-0.70	-1.10	208
Kirtlington CE School	-7,676.95	1.80	-39,332.24	9.70	7.90	7
St Edburg's CE (VA) School	57,504.96	-7.10	36,769.55	-4.50	2.60	25
Wootton-by-Woodstock CE (Aided) School	2,520.22	-0.80	-19,266.20	6.40	7.20	4
Ewelme CE School	-27,787.76	7.50	-28,244.03	7.40	-0.10	8
Little Milton CE School	-20,970.64	5.70	-9,489.63	2.70	-3.00	74
St Laurence CE (A) School	-47,872.09	10.90	-31,222.03	7.30	-3.60	9
Checkendon CE (A) School	-51,848.25	12.30	-49,847.76	12.10	-0.20	9
Goring CE Aided School	-7,615.96	0.90	2,715.47	-0.30	-1.20	23
Shiplake CE School	-64,869.57	8.80	-86,111.72	11.70	2.90	17
Sacred Heart Catholic School (Henley-on-Thames)	2,743.80	-0.40	-27,470.90	4.10	4.50	16
St Mary's Catholic School (Bicester)	-261,296.87	26.40	-326,018.22	32.50	6.10	26
St Barnabas' CE (Aided) School	-7,533.18	0.90	-43,378.42	5.50	4.60	20
St Ebbe's CE (Aided) School	18,143.14	-1.40	-65,184.41	4.90	6.30	34
SS Mary & John CE School	-53,571.81	3.50	-34,475.29	2.40	-1.10	40
SS Philip & James' CE Aided School	-33,852.25	2.40	-136,120.61	9.60	7.20	41
St Joseph's Catholic School (Oxford)	-139,728.74	9.40	-155,960.45	10.70	1.30	41
St Aloysius' Catholic School	-38,341.19	4.50	-48,748.26	6.20	1.70	20
Appleton CE (A) School	-62,912.00	9.10	-46,866.12	6.80	-2.30	19
Ashbury with Compton Beauchamp CE (A) School	-63,958.50	17.90	-77,642.14	21.40	3.50	7.
Shellingford CE (Voluntary Aided) School	-77,124.83	15.30	-71,209.32	14.20	-1.10	9
Wootton St Peter CE School	-75,501.21	15.80	-53,884.32	11.70	-4.10	96
St Amand's Catholic School	-17,130.71	3.30	-25,165.90	4.90	1.60	12

St Edmund's Catholic School	-51,323.17	6.20	-69,867.08	8.70	2.50	209
St Mary's CE (Aided) School (Chipping Norton)	-20,454.62	2.10	-33,538.69	3.30	1.20	258
All Saints CE (Aided) School	-150,301.38	9.50	-104,550.51	7.20	-2.30	410
Dunmore Primary School	-163,757.36	10.10	-88,715.87	6.00	-4.10	427
Shenington CE School	-67,305.08	15.40	-69,718.97	15.70	0.30	91
	-9,397,204.58		-9,087,876.77			