

To: Members of the Planning & Regulation Committee

Notice of a Meeting of the Planning & Regulation Committee

Monday, 13 October 2025 at 2.00 pm

Room 2&3 - County Hall, New Road, Oxford OX1 1ND

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Chief Executive

October 2025

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Members are asked to contact the case officers in advance of the committee meeting if they have any issues/questions of a technical nature on any agenda item. This will enable officers to carry out any necessary research and provide members with an informed response.

Membership

Chair – Councillor Diana Lugova
Deputy Chair - Councillor Tony Worgan

Councillors

Ron Batstone
Mark Cherry
Jenny Hannaby

Lesley McLean
Gavin McLauchlan
Saj Malik

Paul-Austin Sargent
Geoff Saul
Roz Smith

Notes:

- ***Date of next meeting: 24 November 2025***

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AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence and Temporary Appointments**
- 2. Declarations of Interest - see guidance note below**
- 3. Minutes (Pages 1 - 8)**

To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 31 March 2025 and 20 May 2025 (PRC3) and to receive information arising from them.

4. Petitions and Public Address

Members of the public who wish to speak on an item on the agenda at this meeting, or present a petition, can attend the meeting in person or 'virtually' through an online connection.

Requests to present a petition must be submitted no later than 9am ten working days before the meeting.

Requests to speak must be submitted no later than 9am three working days before the meeting.

Requests should be submitted to committeesdemocraticservices@oxfordshire.gov.uk

If you are speaking 'virtually', you may submit a written statement of your presentation to ensure that if the technology fails, then your views can still be taken into account. A written copy of your statement can be provided no later than 9am on the day of the meeting. Written submissions should be no longer than 1 A4 sheet.

5. Land at Sutton Courtenay Waste Management Site, Appleford Sidings, Sutton Courtenay (Pages 9 - 46)

Report by Planning Development Manager

This is a Section 73 application to continue the development permitted by MW.0088.13 (Waste transfer facility to handle 60 000 tonnes per annum of non-hazardous waste and 200 tpa of clinical waste; and associated operational development including a northern egress to Corridor Road, concrete pad, soil storage bunds, perimeter fencing, transformer pad and transformer, traffic (Armco) barriers and traffic lights at the consented Materials Recycling Facility (MRF)) without complying with conditions 3 and

4, to extend the end date of the existing Waste Transfer Facility from 31st December 2030 to 31st December 2050.

RECOMMENDATION

It is RECOMMENDED that planning permission for planning application no. MW.0167/23 be refused for the following reasons:

- 1. The proposed development would retain a large waste management building and associated curtilage which is significantly larger than is needed for the proposed waste transfer use. This would result in the continued industrialisation of the area for a prolonged period after which the surrounding landfill site would otherwise be restored. Due to the change in the character of the surrounding area through the wider restoration of the landfill site, the development would have unacceptable impacts on amenity including through visual and traffic impacts on the amenity of other users of the Rights of Way network and the permissive paths which are required to be provided in association with the restoration of the landfill site contrary to OMWCS policies C5, C10 and C11, VLP1 policy CP37 and VLP policy DP23. It has not been demonstrated that this greenfield site is the most suitable and sustainable option for a waste management facility after the completion of landfilling in 2030, and therefore the proposal is contrary to OMWCS policy W5.**
- 2. The proposed retention of a large waste management building and associated curtilage for 20 years beyond the end date on the existing planning permission, would mean that both the application site and the landfill site in which it is located would not be restored in a timely and phased manner contrary to OMWCS policy M10 and OMWCS policy W6.**

Councillors declaring interests

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed 'Declarations of Interest' or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your employment; sponsorship (i.e. payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licenses for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest. If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member 'must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself' and that 'you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned'.

Members Code – Other registrable interests

Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to the financial interest or wellbeing of one of your other registerable interests then you must declare an interest. You must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and you must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Wellbeing can be described as a condition of contentedness, healthiness and happiness; anything that could be said to affect a person's quality of life, either positively or negatively, is likely to affect their wellbeing.

Other registrable interests include:

- a) Any unpaid directorships

- b) Any body of which you are a member or are in a position of general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority.
- c) Any body (i) exercising functions of a public nature (ii) directed to charitable purposes or (iii) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management.

Members Code – Non-registrable interests

Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to your financial interest or wellbeing (and does not fall under disclosable pecuniary interests), or the financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate, you must declare the interest.

Where a matter arises at a meeting which affects your own financial interest or wellbeing, a financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate or a financial interest or wellbeing of a body included under other registrable interests, then you must declare the interest.

In order to determine whether you can remain in the meeting after disclosing your interest the following test should be applied:

Where a matter affects the financial interest or well-being:

- a) to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
- b) a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest.

You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation.