

## Overview & Scrutiny Recommendation Response Pro forma

*Under section 9FE of the Local Government Act 2000, Overview and Scrutiny Committees must require the Cabinet or local authority to respond to a report or recommendations made thereto by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Such a response must be provided within two months from the date on which it is requested<sup>1</sup> and, if the report or recommendations in questions were published, the response also must be so.*

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**Issue:**                      **Community Asset Transfer Policy**

**Lead Cabinet Member(s):**              **Cllr Dan Levy, Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Transformation**

**Date response requested:<sup>2</sup>**              **21 April 2026**

**Response to report:**

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<sup>1</sup> Date of the meeting at which report/recommendations were received

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### Response to recommendations

Recommendation	Accepted, rejected or partially accepted	Proposed action (if different to that recommended) and indicative timescale (unless rejected)
<p><b>1. That the Cabinet amends the CAT policy to make explicit reference to the sale of land</b></p>		
<p><b>2. That the Cabinet provides in the CAT policy fuller explanation of the approach taken in relation to transfers of dilapidated buildings</b></p>		
<p><b>3. That the Cabinet provides within the policy greater detail of the legal framework and process surrounding the transfer of ownership</b></p>		
<p><b>4. That the Cabinet reviews the operation of the Community Asset Transfer and Community Leasing Working Group with a view to increasing the resourcing to support it, broadening the membership to include Finance, Legal and Public Health colleagues, and making the regularity of its meetings more flexible.</b></p>		

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<b>5. That the Cabinet ensures the property team works with relevant other Council departments to develop common definitions of 'social value' across teams</b>		
<b>6. That the Cabinet provides clarification over its social value priorities, to enable proactive place-shaping with regards to land and assets</b>		
<b>7. That the Cabinet ensures the property team are aware of and, as far as possible, in alignment with approaches taken by Oxfordshire's district and city councils with a view to avoiding creating inconsistencies following the upcoming unitarisation(s) under Local Government Reorganisation</b>		
<b>8. That the Cabinet ensures that there is a consistency of approach towards leases and transfers granted under the proposed policy and existing leases when they come up for renewal</b>		