



***Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for
Environment (including Transport)***

***Thursday, 13 November 2014 at 10.30 am (or at the rising of
the Transport advisory Panel, whichever is later)***

Meetings room 2 and 3, County Hall, New Road, Oxford

Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on 21 November 2014 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

Copies of the reports are circulated (by e-mail) to all members of the County Council.

These proceedings are open to the public

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Note: Date of next meeting: 15 January 2015

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Items for Decision

1. **Declarations of Interest**

2. **Questions from County Councillors**

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am two working days before the meeting, ask a question on any matter in respect of the Cabinet Member's delegated powers.

The number of questions which may be asked by any councillor at any one meeting is limited to two (or one question with notice and a supplementary question at the meeting) and the time for questions will be limited to 30 minutes in total. As with questions at Council, any questions which remain unanswered at the end of this item will receive a written response.

Questions submitted prior to the agenda being despatched are shown below and will be the subject of a response from the appropriate Cabinet Member or such other councillor or officer as is determined by the Cabinet Member, and shall not be the subject of further debate at this meeting. Questions received after the despatch of the agenda, but before the deadline, will be shown on the Schedule of Addenda circulated at the meeting, together with any written response which is available at that time.

3. **Petitions and Public Address**

4. **A40 Oxford Northern Bypass - Barton Park Development - Proposed 50mph Speed Limit and Traffic Restrictions (including Bus Lane) at Proposed Junction with A40 and Access Road to Foxwell Drive (Pages 1 - 16)**

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/141

Contact: Jim Daughton, Service Manager, Delivery

Tel: (01865) 812083

Report by Deputy Director for Environment and Economy – Commercial & Delivery (**CMDE4**).

The report presents objections and other comments received during the course of the statutory consultation on two separate proposals: (i) for a 50mph speed limit on the A40 Oxford Northern Bypass between the A40 Headington roundabout north westwards to include the proposed new junction with the Barton Park development and (ii) for traffic restrictions at the latter junction and for a proposed link road from this junction to Foxwell Drive.

The Cabinet Member for the Environment is RECOMMENDED to:-

(a) approve the introduction of a 50 mph speed limit on A40 as advertised;

- (b) **approve the introduction of traffic restrictions at the proposed junction on A40 as advertised;**
- (c) **approve the introduction of traffic restrictions on the proposed link road from Foxwell Drive to A40 should that road be constructed.**

5. Proposed Parking Restrictions - Various Locations, Oxford (Pages 17 - 20)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/069

Contact: Jim Daughton, Service Manager – Delivery Tel: (01865) 323364

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Commercial & Delivery (CMDE5).

The report considers objections to a formal consultation on proposals to introduce parking restrictions in Reliance Way (off Cowley Road). (Other restrictions consulted on at the same time either did not attract any objections or will be considered at another time.)

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed parking restrictions for Reliance Way, Oxford as advertised.

6. Headington: London Road Shared Use Facility - Wharton Road to Stile Road (Pages 21 - 32)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/142

Contact: Jim Daughton, Service Manager, Delivery
Tel: 01865 812083

Report by Deputy Director of Environment and Economy - Commercial & Delivery (CMDE6).

The report details the results of a public consultation on the proposal to implement cycle facilities on London Road, Headington, between Wharton Road and Stile Road.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the conversion of the two Pelican crossings to toucan crossings at Barton Road and outside St. Andrews School and the conversion of the length of footway to shared use facility as shown in Annex 1 to the report (drawing number: S-000942/CON/000/001/REV1) and to progress to its delivery in 2014/15.

7. Proposed Parking Restrictions - Coach House Mews, Bicester
(Pages 33 - 40)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/140

Contact: Jim Daughton, Service Manager, Delivery

Tel: (01865) 812083

Report by Deputy Director for Environment and Economy – Commercial & Delivery (**CMDE7**).

The report considers objections to a formal consultation on proposals to introduce parking restrictions in parts of Coach House Mews in Bicester.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed parking restrictions for Coach House Mews as advertised and amended as described in the report.

8. Proposed Parking Restrictions - Oxford Road Service Roads, Kidlington (Pages 41 - 52)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/137

Contact: Jim Daughton, Service Manager, Delivery

Tel: 01865 812083

Report by Deputy Director for Environment and Economy – Commercial & Delivery (**CMDE8**).

The report considers objections to a formal consultation on proposals to introduce parking restrictions in several streets in the southern part of Kidlington, particularly along the service roads either side of A4260 Oxford Road.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed parking restrictions for the Oxford Road service roads and adjacent streets in Kidlington, as advertised and amended as described in the report.

9. Household Waste Recycling Centres - Operating Access and Waste Acceptance Policy Second Review (Pages 53 - 90)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/132

Contact: Rebecca Harwood, Service Delivery Manager, Tel: (01865) 815281

Report by Director for Environment & Economy – Commercial & Delivery (**CMDE9**).

The Household Waste Recycling Centres - Operating, Access and Waste Acceptance Policy is an amalgam of existing policies and site rules which are currently in force at the Household Waste Recycling Centres.

The purpose of incorporating the policies and site rules into one document is to provide consistency of advice and a formal document which staff and members of the public can refer to or be referred to. The principles of the policy are outlined,

therefore removing any scope for mis-interpretation.

The policy was approved in October 2010 through the Delegated Decisions meeting for Growth and Infrastructure and subsequently reviewed and updated in February 2011. This report represents changes to the policy as a result of the establishment of an Energy Recovery Facility within Oxfordshire in 2014 enabling the diversion of the majority of residual waste from landfill; the development and introduction of the Van and Trailer e-permit scheme; and other minor policy amendments and revisions.

The document overall outlines the policies in place with respect to the following:

- 1) Health and Safety regulation;
- 2) Site rules in line with Environment Agency legislation and guidance;
- 3) Household Waste Recycling Centre inspections;
- 4) Household Waste Recycling Centre licence and permit conditions;
- 5) Legitimate waste acceptance – in line with national legislation and guidance.

This document provides the public with the rationale driving the various policies enforced on site determined by UK legislation, Health and Safety Executive recommendations and good practice.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to:

- (a) ***approve the amendments to the Household Waste Recycling Centres – Operating, Access and Waste Acceptance Policy;***
- (b) ***continue to authorise the Deputy Director for Environment & Economy (Commercial) in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment to make minor textual changes and amendments to the Household Waste Recycling Centre – Operating, Access and Waste Acceptance Policy from time to time for the purposes of clarification or, as the case may be, where necessary to comply with changes to applicable legislation, guidance or policy.***

10. Van Trailer Permit Scheme Third Review (Van and Trailer e-Permit Scheme) (Pages 91 - 108)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/131

Contact: Rebecca Harwood, Service Delivery Manager, Tel: (01865) 815281

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Commercial & Delivery **(CMDE10)**.

The Van and Trailer Permit Scheme was approved by the Cabinet Member for Growth and Infrastructure at a Delegated Decisions Cabinet meeting held on 15 July 2010. The scheme was implemented in November 2010.

The scheme was reviewed in 2011 and again in 2012 whereupon a recommendation to move towards a 'paperless' system was agreed. This system, known as the Van Trailer e-permit scheme, is due to become operational at the beginning of November 2014.

The policy and terms and conditions have been updated to reflect this.

This review has also enabled a further opportunity to review and incorporate (where possible/appropriate) feedback from customers, contractors and officers and to ensure that the scheme continues to work well for all stakeholders in particular users and operators.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to:

- (a) approve the Van and Trailer e-Permit scheme as a continuing and effective method for policing the Household Waste Recycling Centres in order to prevent trade waste from entering;***
- (b) approve the amendments to the Van and Trailer e-Permit Scheme as set out in Annex 2 to the report;***
- (c) approve the updated terms and conditions in Annex 3 to the report;***
- (d) allow the Deputy Director for Environment & Economy (Commercial) in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment to make minor textual changes and amendments to the Van and Trailer e-Permit scheme from time to time for the purposes of clarification or, as the case may be, where necessary to comply with changes to applicable legislation, guidance or policy***
- (e) to conduct a further review of the scheme within 3 years from the date of this report.***

11. Draft Position Statement: Major Development Proposals for Ground-Mounted Solar PV Arrays (Pages 109 - 140)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/071

Contact: Linda Currie, Planning Strategy Officer Tel: (01865) 810432

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Strategy Infrastructure & Planning (**CMDE11**).

The report seeks endorsement from the Cabinet Member for the Environment of a draft Position Statement on major development proposals for ground-mounted solar PV arrays. A decision on an earlier draft of the Position Statement was deferred at the July meeting. The current draft takes into consideration feedback from a focussed consultation with relevant stakeholders and further development of government policy.

The County Council is a consultee in the local plan preparation and development management process. The advice in the statement is intended to ensure that those matters in which the County Council has an interest are fully considered by applicants ahead of submission of a planning application for solar farm development and by local planning authorities looking to prepare relevant local plan policy and

determine planning applications.

The draft document explains that In view of the benefits of solar PV development the County Council supports the development of ground-mounted solar PV development in principle, provided that there are no significant environmental or visual impacts.

It sets out the technical issues which developers of ground-mounted solarPV development should consider in formulating their proposals, including the need for any mitigating measures, to ensure that schemes:

- are appropriately sited;
- respect local landscape, heritage and visual amenity;
- mitigate transport impacts, including to rights of way; and
- take account of opportunities to enhance bio-diversity.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the conversion of the two Pelican crossings to toucan crossings at Barton Road and outside St. Andrews School and the conversion of the length of footway to shared use facility as shown in Annex 1 to the report CMDE11 (drawing number: S-000942/CON/000/001/REV1) and to progress to its delivery in 2014/15.
