

These notes indicate the decisions taken at this meeting and the officers responsible for taking the agreed action. For background documentation please refer to the agenda and supporting papers available on the Council's web site (www.oxfordshire.gov.uk.)

The decisions take effect at the time and date specified, unless before that time written notice is given in accordance with the Council's Scrutiny Procedure Rules requiring the decision to be called in for review by the relevant Scrutiny Committee.

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<p><i>List published 24 January 2018</i> <i>Decisions will (unless called in) become effective at 5.00pm on 31 January 2018</i></p>		
<i>RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED</i>	<i>DECISIONS</i>	<i>ACTION</i>
1. Apologies for Absence	Councillor Mark Gray	DLG (A. Newman)
2. Declarations of Interest - guidance note opposite	None.	DLG (A. Newman)
3. Minutes To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 19 December 2017 (CA3) and to receive information arising from them.	Agreed and signed.	SW
4. Questions from County Councillors	See attached annex.	
5. Petitions and Public Address	6 - Councillor Liz Brighthouse Councillor Helen Evans 8 - Councillor Jamila Azad 9 - Councillor Glynis Phillips 10 - Councillor Liz Brighthouse 11 - Councillor John Sanders	
6. Service & Resource Planning Report - 2018/19 - January 2018 <i>Cabinet Member: Finance</i> <i>Forward Plan Ref: 2017/100</i> <i>Contact: Katy Jurczynszyn, Strategic Finance Manager (Finance, Strategy & Monitoring) Tel: 07584 909518</i>	Recommendations agreed.	

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<p>Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to approve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The Review of Charges for 2018/19; (b) The Financial Strategy; (c) The Earmarked Reserves and General Balances Policy Statement 2018/19 including the creation of the Budget Prioritisation Reserve. <p>Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to RECOMMEND Council to approve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) in respect of revenue: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) a budget for 2018/19 and a medium term plan to 2021/22, based on the proposals set out in Section 4.2; (2) a council tax requirement (precept) for 2018/19; (3) a council tax for band D equivalent properties; (4) virement arrangements to operate within the approved budget; (b) in respect of treasury management: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2018/19; (2) to continue to delegate the authority to withdraw or advance additional funds to/from external fund managers to the Treasury Management Strategy Team; (3) that any further changes required to the 2018/19 strategy be delegated to the Director of Finance in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Finance; (4) the Prudential Indicators as set out in Appendix A of Section 4.8; 		<p>DF (K. Jurczynsyn)</p>

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<p>(5) Minimum Revenue Provision Methodology Statement as set out in Appendix B of Section 4.8;</p> <p>(6) The Specified Investment and Non Specified Investment instruments as set out in Appendix C and D of Section 4.8;</p> <p>(7) The Treasury Management Policy Statement as set out in Appendix E of Section 4.8;</p> <p>(c) In respect of capital:</p> <p>(1) The Capital Strategy for 2018/19 -2027/28</p> <p>(2) A Capital Programme for 2017/18 to 2027/28 as set out in Section 4.10.1 including:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(i) the new capital proposals as set out in Section 4.10.2 (Appendix 3);</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(ii) the Highways Structural Maintenance Programme 2018/19 and 2019/20 as set out in Section 4.10.3;</p> <p>(d) to delegate authority to the Leader of the Council, following consultation with the Director of Finance and the Cabinet Member for Finance, to make appropriate changes to the proposed budget.</p>		
<p>7. Corporate Plan</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: Deputy Leader</i> <i>Forward Plan Ref: 2017/146</i> <i>Contact: Ben Threadgold, Policy &</i></p>		

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<p>Performance Service Manager; Tel: 07867 467838</p> <p>Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) note the Draft Corporate Plan and make suggestions for improvements where necessary;</p> <p>(b) RECOMMEND that the Draft Corporate Plan (subject to amendments) be agreed by Council;</p> <p>(c) delegate authority for final additions and changes to be agreed by the Leader and the Chief Executive on behalf of Cabinet.</p>	Recommendations agreed.	ACE (B. Threadgold)
<p>8. Transition Fund for Community Initiatives for Open Access Children's Services - Round 5</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: Local Communities Forward Plan Ref: 2017/149</i> <i>Contact: Sarah Jelley, Senior Policy & Performance Officer Tel: 07554 103437</i></p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) approve for funding the following bids:</p> <p>a. Happy Hub Cholsey</p> <p>b. Sutton Courtney Stay and Play Group</p> <p>c. Thomas Gifford Trust</p> <p>(b) ask that further work is conducted to develop more robust business plans and reapply for funding under the next round of applications:</p> <p>d. Banbury & District Community Bus Project</p> <p>(c) decline for funding the following bid:</p> <p>e. Oxford Baby Café Group</p>	Recommendations agreed.	ACE (S. Jelley)

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<p>9. Daytime Support Grants - January 2018</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: Adult Social Care</i> <i>Forward Plan Ref: 2017/111</i> <i>Contact: Rebecca Lanchbury,</i> <i>Commissioning Officer (Older People) Tel:</i> <i>07584 481255</i></p> <p>Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) Congratulate the voluntary sector for its dedication and commitment to continuing to provide much valued services, and managing this transition process;</p> <p>(b) approve for funding the bids listed under 27 (a) above;</p> <p>(c) approve for funding the bids listed under 27 (b) above, subject to conditions as set out in the cross-party panel recommendations (Annex 2);</p> <p>(d) approve for funding the bids listed under 27 (c) above, recognising the split between the sustainability and transition elements, with the transition elements awarded for specified to increase sustainability and innovation;</p> <p>(e) approve the recommended funding amount for the bids listed under 27 (d) above;</p> <p>(f) approve the recommended funding amount for the bids listed under 27 (e) above, recognising the split between the sustainability and transition elements, with the transition elements awarded for specified initiatives to increase sustainability and innovation;</p> <p>(g) approve transferring the remaining amount, as set out under 26 (f) above, to the Innovation Fund 2018-</p>	<p>Recommendations agreed.</p>	<p>DAS (R. Lanchbury)</p>

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19.		
<p>10. Business Management & Monitoring Report for Quarter 2 - 2017/18 - January 2018</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Deputy Leader <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2017/101 <i>Contact:</i> Ian Dyson, Assistant Chief Finance Officer (Assurance) Tel: 07393 001250</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) note the performance set out in this report;</p> <p>(b) note the ongoing work to improve business management and performance reporting.</p>	Recommendations agreed.	CFO (S. Jones)
<p>11. Delegated Powers - January 2018</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Leader <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2017/102 <i>Contact:</i> Sue Whitehead, Principal Committee Officer Tel: 07393 001213</p> <p>Schedule reporting on a quarterly basis executive decisions taken under the specific powers and functions delegated under the terms of Part 7.2 of the Council's Constitution.</p> <p>Not for call in.</p>	Noted.	
<p>12. Forward Plan and Future Business</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> All <i>Contact Officer:</i> Sue Whitehead, Committee Services Manager Tel: 07393 001213</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for</p>	Noted.	SW/AB

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forthcoming meetings.		
EXEMPT ITEM		
<p>14. Implications of Carillion liquidation on OCC and outline response plan</p> <p>The Council Leader and the Council Chairman have agreed to the addition of this item on the agenda in order to facilitate an update to Cabinet on this issue.</p> <p><i>The public should be excluded during this item because its discussion in public would be likely to lead to the disclosure to members of the public present of information in the following prescribed categories:</i></p> <p>3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)</p> <p><i>and since it is considered that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, in that such disclosure would infringe the rights of the individual to privacy contrary to the general law and the duty of the authority to respect human rights.</i></p>	Noted.	

ITEM 4 – QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Questions received from the following Members:

1. Question to Councillor Constance from Councillor Kirsten Johnson

“The Cities-4-People project, funded by the European Union, aims to identify local transport and mobility challenges and co-design sustainable solutions. Why were reports commissioned for Barton and Blackbird Leys, which already have regular public transport, and not arterial villages to Oxford such as Horspath and Forest Hill, which have no transport at all yet have keyworkers who need to get into Oxford for work?”

Could we please use the European funding for improving Oxford’s transport to provide public transport for areas just outside the city boundaries which currently have no daily transport?”

Answer

- We needed to choose a potential intervention **area where it would be feasible to build on existing solutions**, as we do not have the funding or time to cover the entire development of services/infrastructure etc.
- There is no sub-contract funding available through the project.
- Project only provides funding covering staff time and a small amount for materials, travel and subsistence, and needs to be delivered within a relatively tight timeline .
- Part of the project’s research consideration is around wellbeing – the areas being considered within Oxford are those with the highest levels of social deprivation and people living on lower incomes
- The project is also focussed on cities, rather than on towns/villages etc; as we considered locations within the boundaries of Oxford city, to fit in with the theme of the research project and other partners
- This is a trial project, with the intention that it could be applied to other areas if it is successful. The project aims to consider whether the ‘co-creation’ approach of engaging with the community to identify key challenges and solutions is one which adds value to the process of consultation, and leads to a better uptake of the solution. It is therefore replicable for other areas.

Please note – potential intervention areas being considered are actually Barton and Rose Hill, though Blackbird Leys was also initially considered alongside Littlemore, and may be returned to if/when scaling up interventions, **and no reports have been commissioned**. To date research has been undertaken within the project team and workshops engaging the communities have been delivered.

2. Question to Councillor Hibbert-Biles from Councillor John Howson

“Could the Cabinet Member please identify those primary schools that have not had an Ofsted inspection since 2010 with the year they were last inspected and whether they are maintained schools or academies - if an academy, which MAT they currently are associated with of if they are a stand alone academy.”

Answer

“There are 6 primary schools that have not been inspected since 2010, four of which are maintained and two academies belonging to the Faringdon Academy of Schools and the oxford Diocesan Trust. All of the schools were outstanding when they were last inspected. Details of the schools and the dates of their inspections can be found in the table below:”

DfE	School	maintained/academy/convertng/free	MAT	Ofsted Grade School	Ofsted date
3234	Longworth Primary School	M		O	2.12.10
2106	Kingham Primary School	M		O	22.9.10
2555	Chilton Primary School	M		O	14.7.09
2208	Whitchurch Primary School	M		O	5.6.09
3232	Longcot & Fernham Church of England Primary School	A	Faringdon Academy of Schools (FAoS)	O	14.10.09
3828	Dr Radcliffe's Church of England (Aided) Primary School	A	Oxford Diocesan Schools Trust	O	22.3.07

Supplementary: Responding to information from Councillor GHowson that the list was incomplete Councillor Hibbert-Biles undertook to circulate a complete list.

3. Question to Councillor Yvonne Constance from Councillor Roz Smith

The shortfall for funding the Access to Headington scheme is regrettable given the high expectations of improving traffic flow, increasing walking and cycling and to ease congestion. Would she agree that perhaps it is time for the council to re-consider the whole scheme design,

in consultation with stake-holders, and how it relates to any cross city traffic measures, including increasing public transport use?

Answer

Access to Headington will provide critical improvements in infrastructure in a growth area for housing, employment and schools as well as catering for demand to key hospital sites in the area. We agree that the current pause is regrettable but given the importance of the objectives of the scheme, the project, which has gone through significant consultation already, will proceed. Although as already announced, the exact nature of it what we be delivering will be determined by a funding decision on 1st February by the Local Growth Board, which will indicate whether we proceed as planned or review the design to ensure affordability within budget.

The Oxford Transport Strategy (OTS) proposes a series of projects that look to address citywide connectivity, the Botley Road project being one which is funded with others awaiting funding announcements. OTS is designed to consider the cross-city nature as one project covering the whole city would be too large to fund.

Supplementary: Responding to a query relating to a design review Councillor Constance stressed that funding was being sought for the scheme as currently designed.