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 and, if the report or recommendations in questions were published, the response also must be so.

This template provides a structure which respondents are encouraged to use. However, respondents are welcome to depart from the suggested structure provided the same information is included in a response. The usual way to publish a response is to include it in the agenda of a meeting of the body to which the report or recommendations were addressed.

Issue: Part-Night Lighting

Lead Cabinet Member(s): Cllr Andrew Gant, Cabinet member for Transport Management

Date response requested:² 21 October 2025

Response to report:

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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)
That the Council should ensure it engages fully with town and parish	Accepted	The Part Night Lighting Programme will work with Parish and Town Councils to ensure that the needs of local residents and communities are thoroughly considered when applications for part night lighting are made in two main ways:

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

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- The Part Night Lighting Programme will support Parish and Town Councils
 to engage with their residents and local community stakeholders when
 initially developing their applications for part night lighting schemes. Each
 PNL scheme will be different, depending on its location. Its geographical
 factors and number of streetlights under consideration, but this application
 stage is expected to take between 1/2 months per scheme depending on
 scheme complexity.
 - Timescales: 'Expression of Interest' PNL application packs will be issued to Parish and Town Council in January 2026, Qtr. 4 2025/26.
- Once a Part Night Lighting Scheme application is submitted by a Parish or Town Council, each scheme will then go through a full public consultation via 'Let's Talk Oxfordshire'. As part of this consultation process, all local residents who live on roads or streets affected each scheme proposal, and local community and stakeholder groups will be invited to respond to the consultation. This consultation stage is expected to take between 2/3 months per scheme. Each schemes consultation feedback will then be submitted as part of each Scheme's Report for Cabinet Member Decision.
 - Timescales: Dependant on the volume of schemes applied for these consultation processes will take place during Qtr. 1 and Qtr. 2 2026/27.

This approach to engagement, which forms part of the Part-night lighting framework, has been developed working with key stakeholders, highly impacted groups and communities.

OCC will also be meeting with the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils (OALC) to go through the Partish and Town Councils Part Night Lighting application processes, which will include guidance documentation, and to discuss engagement and consultation processes to ensure all views are heard.

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