



**Cabinet  
Tuesday, 16 November 2021**

**ADDENDA**

**4. Questions from County Councillors (Pages 1 - 4)**

Attached

**5. Petitions and Public Address (Pages 5 - 6)**

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**13. Forward Plan and Future Business (Pages 7 - 10)**

Updates attached

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### ITEM 4 – QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Questions	Cabinet Member
<p><b>1. COUNCILLOR BRAD BAINES</b></p> <p>To ask the Cabinet Member whether the Cabinet currently intends on providing a specific budget allocation within the upcoming Budget Cycle towards accelerating planning and delivery of the Connecting Oxford project, in recognition of urgent need to alleviate chronic traffic within Oxford City, to ensure a modal shift to active travel and public transport, as well as to fulfil key policy commitments of the Fair Deal Alliance.</p>	<p><b>COUNCILLOR DUNCAN ENRIGHT, CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAVEL &amp; DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY</b></p> <p>Funding for the planning of Connecting Oxford has already been secured via the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal. Delivery costs are expected to come from several sources: the Oxfordshire Bus Service Improvement Plan includes a budget allocation of £3 million to cover the cost of implementing the Connecting Oxford Traffic Filters. Costs associated with introducing the Connecting Oxford Workplace Parking Levy (WPL) are expected to be funded by borrowing against future income raised by the levy and following scheme approval by the Secretary of State (Department for Transport). Income raised by the WPL is also expected to fund supporting bus, cycle and pedestrian improvement schemes in and around Oxford, and to secure additional external funding including from the DfT.</p> <p>The desire to implement Connecting Oxford as quickly as possible is understood, however, given Connecting Oxford would be the biggest change to the city's transport network and traffic management arrangements in the city's history, it is vital the programme allows sufficient time to carry out the detailed scheme design and assessments, and more importantly, allows the council to engage and consult with the public before proceeding. This is planned to take place throughout 2022.</p>

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<p><b>2. COUNCILLOR BRAD BAINES</b></p> <p>The new LTCP commits this Council to a “well maintained highways network”, yet such a target needs to reflect the growing financial cost pressures of doing so because of Government cuts and the relative risks to different user groups of poorly maintained roads. As such, can the Cabinet Member commit to ensuring that the upcoming Highways Asset Management Strategy or the final version of the LTCP will include a financially sustainable plan for managing our highways stock and will prioritise the repair of cycleways and well-cycled roads ahead of those almost solely used by motor traffic?</p>	<p><b>COUNCILLOR TIM BEARDER, CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAY MANAGEMENT</b></p> <p>Response to follow</p>
<p><b>3. COUNCILLOR DAVID BARTHOLOMEW</b></p> <p>South Oxfordshire District Council (SODC) is proposing to borrow £ millions to build a new HQ at Didcot. Given that there are six councils across Oxfordshire (four district, one city, one county) with much existing surplus office space between them, surely effective consolidation and reallocation of property based on the principle of 'One Public Estate' might mean that no new building is needed. Could the Cabinet Member please advise how much he has explored this option with SODC which would not only save money but would also be a much greener alternative.</p>	<p><b>COUNCILLOR CALUM MILLER, CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE</b></p> <p>The County Council’s property team are actively engaging with estates colleagues across the public sector organisations operating in Oxfordshire under the One Public Estate Initiative to further develop our partnership agenda. Officers are working with all councils in the county, including SODC, to focus on and understand collective needs in respect of workforce planning strategy (agile working) so that challenges and opportunities for collaboration can be explored to achieve cost saving, revenue generation and a reduction in our carbon foot-print.</p>

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<p data-bbox="219 220 819 248"><b>4. COUNCILLOR SALLY POVOLOTSKY</b></p> <p data-bbox="219 331 1061 1214">I welcome the latest report on our Climate Targets and would like to thank officers and the Climate Action Team for their diligence. However, I am concerned around the reliance of gas in our schools and estates and whilst I embrace the challenges faced by energy system evolutions, we have heard from members and the public alike (Shrivenham residents address to Full Council in November) around the lack of progress in our schools to reduce carbon by design and installation of Gas Boilers. I would like to ask cabinet, when can we expect to see our administration ban the installation of gas boilers in our education settings and embrace options such as Heat Pumps, Electric Systems and retrofitting of PV solar options or exploration of Biomass and Geothermals? It's time we fuelled our education and not old fossil fuel powered boilers, I urge this cabinet to not only ban the installation of Gas boilers on new build schools alongside our district partners but also would like to know when we can expect to see a programme of retrofitting our 126 schools with new, lower or zero carbon solutions and embrace the renewable heat incentive grants to help sustain a rapid payback in technology investment. When can we expect to see action from this cabinet on zero carbon fuel for schools?</p>	<p data-bbox="1093 220 1951 284"><b>COUNCILLOR PETE SUDBURY, CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE DELIVERY &amp; ENVIRONMENT</b></p> <p data-bbox="1093 331 1357 360">Response to follow</p>

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### ITEM 5 – PETITIONS AND PUBLIC ADDRESS

#### Public Address

The following requests to address the meeting have been agreed by the Chairman.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
6: Business Management and Monitoring Report	Councillor David Bartholomew
8: Climate Action Programme Update and Annual Greenhouse Gas Report 2020/21	Cllr Andrew Coles

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### ITEM 13 – FORWARD PLAN AND FUTURE BUSINESS

Members are asked to note the following changes to the Forward Plan:

#### Amendments to items in the present Plan

Portfolio	Topic (Ref)/Decision	Present Timing	Change
<i>Leader</i>  <i>Cabinet</i>	<b>COVID Lessons Learnt Review</b> (Ref: 2021/188)  To review the lessons learnt from the COVID-19 pandemic and agree recommendations for the future.	21 December 2021	Deferred to date to be confirmed
<i>Leader</i>  <i>Cabinet</i>	<b>Oxfordshire Recovery and Renewal Strategy</b> (Ref: 2021/189)  To review and adopt the Oxfordshire Strategy for Recovery and Renewal, a system wide document to set the direction for post pandemic planning.	21 December 2021	Deferred to date to be confirmed
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Charlbury: Hixet Wood - Proposed Waiting Restriction</b> (Ref: 2021/172)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford: Land Off Armstrong Road - 20mph Speed Limit</b> (Ref: 2021/168)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Harwell: Grove Road - Traffic Calming</b> (Ref: 2021/113)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford: Various Locations - New and Amended Pedal Cycle Parking Places</b> (Ref: 2021/152)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021

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<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford/Gosford: A44 Adjacent to Oxford Northern Gateway Site - Proposed 30mph Speed Limit and Weight Restriction on Side Road</b> (Ref: 2021/153)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford: East Oxford - Proposed Low Traffic Neighbourhoods - December 2021</b> (Ref: 2021/182)  To seek approval on whether to progress with Experimental Traffic Regulations Orders.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Friford: A415 - Proposed Extension of 40mph Speed Limit</b> (Ref: 2021/176)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Woodstock: Shipton Road - Proposed 30mph Speed Limit</b> (Ref: 2021/177)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Watlington: Pyrton Lane - Proposed 20mph Speed Limit and Traffic Calming Measures</b> (Ref: 2021/178)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford: Mansfield Road - Proposed Waiting Restrictions in Place of Pay &amp; Display Parking Places</b> (Ref: 2021/179)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Benson: Eastern Junction of New Edge Road: Proposed Traffic Management Measures</b> (Ref: 2021/180)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021

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<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Witney: High Street - Traffic Restrictions</b> (Ref: 2021/190)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford: Hayes Close - Proposed Amendment to Waiting Restrictions and Parking Places</b> (Ref: 2021/193)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford: Headington Quarry CPZ - Proposed Amendment to Waiting Restrictions and Parking Places</b> (Ref: 2021/195)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford: Godstow Road and Home Close, Lower Wolvercote - Proposed Amendment to Waiting Restrictions and New Bus Stop Clearway</b> (Ref: 2021/199)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Bicester: Perimeter Road - Proposed New 40mph Speed Limit</b> (Ref: 2021/171)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 24 February 2022
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Kirtlington Village: Proposed 20mph Speed Limit</b> (Ref: 2021/175)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 27 January 2022
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Wantage: A417 at Eastern Access to Crab Hill Development - Bus Lane Access</b> (Ref: 2021/181)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 27 January 2022

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<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford: Ferry Hinksey Road - Proposed Amendment to Waiting Restrictions and Parking Places</b> (Ref: 2021/194)  To seek approval of the proposals.	23 December 2021	Deferred to 27 January 2022
<i>Highway Management</i>  <i>Cabinet Member</i>	<b>Oxford: Car Club Vehicle Permits within CPZs</b> (Ref: 2021/170)  To seek approval of the proposals.	18 November 2021	Deferred to 16 December 2021