

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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CABINET - TUESDAY, 17 APRIL 2018

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<i>RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED</i>	<i>DECISIONS</i>	<i>ACTION</i>
1. Apologies for Absence	Councillors Bartholomew, Constance, Lindsay-Gale, Stratford.	DLG (Andrea Newman)
2. Declarations of Interest - guidance note opposite	None.	DLG (Andrea Newman)
3. Minutes To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2018 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 John Howson, Councillor Gill Sanders, Councillor Michael Waive 7. Councillor Richard Webber, Councillor John Sanders 8. Kathy Peto (East Oxford Primary School), Statement from Don Anderson on behalf of Cuttesloe Community Association, Councillor Paul Buckley, Councillor Jamila Begum Azad 9. Councillor Liz Brighthouse	

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<p>6. School Exclusions Working Group Report</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Public Health & Education <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2018/039 <i>Contact:</i> Lauren Rushen, Policy Officer Tel: 07990 367851</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) consider the recommendations of the Education Scrutiny Committee Exclusions working group for the Council;</p> <p>(b) agree which recommendations the Cabinet will accept; and</p> <p>(c) ask the Director for Children's Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Public Health and Education, to prepare a response for the next meeting of the Education Scrutiny Committee.</p>	<p>Recommendations agreed subject to the following amendments set out in bold and strikethrough</p> <p>RESOLVED: to:</p> <p>(a) consider the recommendations of the Education Scrutiny Committee Exclusions working group for the Council;</p> <p>(b) agree which recommendations the Cabinet will accept; and</p> <p>(b) ask the Director for Children's Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Public Health and Education, to prepare a response for the next meeting of the Education Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p>(c) Instruct that the progress report referred to at paragraph 12 include potential costings of the recommendations and be considered by Cabinet during the autumn.</p>	<p>ACE (Lauren Rushen) DCS (Roy Leach)</p>
<p>7. Thames Water - Draft Water Resources Management Plan 2019</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Environment <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2018/040 <i>Contact:</i> John Disley, Policy Strategy Manager Tel: 07767 006742/Amanda</p>		

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<p>Jacobs, Principal Transport Planner Tel: 07825 314772</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to endorse the key issues raised within this report as the response to this consultation, including the request for immediate and regular discussion with Thames Water on the proposed reservoir in terms of its catchment and location.</p>	<p>Recommendation agreed together with the following additional recommendation:</p> <p>(b) ask officers to investigate the opportunities for briefings for all members from Group Against Reservoir Development (GARD) and Thames Water.</p>	<p>SDC (John Disley/Amanda Jacobs) DLG (Andrea Newman)</p>
<p>8. Transition Fund for Community Initiatives for Open Access Children's Services - Round 7</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Local Communities <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2017/151 <i>Contact:</i> Sarah Jelley, Senior Policy & Performance Officer Tel: 07554 103437</p> <p><i>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</i></p> <p>(a) approve for funding the following bids:</p> <p>a. Benson Little Acorns b. Didcot APUK c. East Oxford Primary School (reduced award) d. St Edburgs Church with Kingsmere (reduced award) e. The Comfort Trust;</p> <p>(b) approve changes/variations to the following previously awarded projects:</p> <p>a. Abingdon Carousel b. Cutteslowe Community Association c. Faringdon Town Council</p> <p>(c) approve delegated authority to Cabinet Member for Local</p>	<p>Recommendations agreed subject to the following amendments in bold and strikethrough;</p> <p>(a) approve for funding the following bids:</p> <p>a. Benson Little Acorns b. Didcot APUK e. East Oxford Primary School (reduced award) d. St Edburgs Church with Kingsmere (reduced award) e. The Comfort Trust;</p> <p>(b) approve changes/variations to the following previously awarded projects:</p> <p>a. Abingdon Carousel b. Cutteslowe Community Association</p>	<p>ACE (Sarah Jelley)</p>

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<p><i>Communities delegated decisions for minor changes and variations to projects.</i></p>	<p>c. Faringdon Town Council</p> <p>(c) approve delegated authority to Cabinet Member for Local Communities delegated decisions for minor changes and variations to projects; further that authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Local Communities delegated decisions to determine the application by East Oxford Primary School and the request from Cutteslowe Community Association; and</p> <p>(d) ask Political Group Leaders to consider the use of the residual funding.</p>	
<p>9. Councillor Priority Fund</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: Leader</i> <i>Forward Plan Ref: 2018/038</i> <i>Contact: Sarah Jelley, Senior Policy & Performance Officer Tel: 07554 103437</i></p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) approve the governance arrangements under officers' delegated powers.</p> <p>(b) approve the Councillor Priority Fund Guidance Notes</p> <p>(c) approve the Councillor Priority Fund Funding Request Form</p> <p>(d) approve the process for Allocation of Funding to Internal Services.</p>	<p>Recommendation agreed.</p>	<p>ACE (Sarah Jelley)</p>
<p>10. Delegated Powers - April 2018</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: Leader</i></p>	<p>Noted</p>	

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<p><i>Forward Plan Ref: 2017/147</i> <i>Contact: Sue Whitehead, Principal</i> <i>Committee Officer Tel: 07393 001213</i></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>		
<p>11. Forward Plan and Future Business</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: All</i> <i>Contact Officer: Sue Whitehead,</i> <i>Committee Services Manager Tel: 07393</i> <i>001213</i></p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for forthcoming meetings.</p>	Noted.	SW/AB

ITEM 4 – QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Questions received from the following Members:

1. Question from Councillor Howson to Councillor Constance

“Why was the Proposed Amendments to Parking Restrictions in Frenchay Road, Oxford that first appeared in the forward Plan in September 2016, withdrawn in March 2018 leaving residents to wait until after 2021 for any consultation on a possible CPZ (Controlled Parking Zone) before they can expect any relief from commuter and other parking in their street and also making access for emergency vehicles very difficult.”

Answer

“Following consultation it was clear that further work was needed on the Frenchay Road area parking restrictions and the item was removed from the forward plan to allow the scheme to be reviewed. The fact that you were not updated about this is an oversight for which officers and I apologise.

As you know the city and county councils are working together to agree a programme of Controlled Parking Zones in the city over the next few years. It will not be possible to implement every zone with the funding available so some prioritisation is necessary. Local members are being asked for their input into this process and this will be taken into account before the programme is finalised.

Completely new parking schemes included in the final programme are expected to be implemented during 2020/21. However, schemes for which design work and consultation have been previously completed could be implemented sooner than this.

Schemes not included in the final programme are not ruled out if additional funding can be found to pay for them. Again, if they are schemes where previous design work and consultation has already been completed then they could potentially be implemented well before 2021.”

Questions from Councillor Webber to Councillor Hudspeth

2. “How much money in total has been collected from maintained schools in 2017-18 from the Apprenticeship Levy and how much of this money has been spent on apprenticeships?”

Answer:

“SAP shows a total of £451,200.57 charged against schools for the Apprenticeship Levy during 2017-18 financial year. Once I have the details of the amount spent I will let Cllr Webber have these.”

3. What steps have been taken to discuss use of a Level 7 Senior Leader Master's Degree Apprenticeship with the Chartered Institute of Management or any other similar body?

Answer:

This is an interesting idea that I will raise with the Local Enterprise Partnership who work with businesses and young people across Oxfordshire to help meet our county's 'skills agenda' including through apprenticeships.

4. Question from Councillor Emily Smith to Councillor Hibbert Biles

What are the current reserves recorded for each maintained primary school in Oxfordshire?

Answer:

The Finance team are in the process of closing the annual accounts for Schools.

All figures provided here are PROVISIONAL.

Confirmed School Reserves will be circulated to schools after April 23rd and to Schools Forum at the 21st June meeting.

Summary Table

Open schools	Balance at 1 April 2017		Balance at 31 March 2018	
	No. of Schools	Balance £000	No. of Schools	Balance £000
Primary Schools				
Schools in Surplus	155	-11,679	141	-9,971
Schools in Deficit	16	546	17	806
Secondary Schools				
Schools in Surplus	0	0	1	-183
Schools in Deficit	3	1,587	2	2,061
Special Schools				
Schools in Surplus	5	-1,048	7	-976
Schools in Deficit	4	161	2	295
Sub total Revenue	183	-10,433	170	-7,968
Schools Contingency & Schools Forum		-7,851		-7,143
Total	183	-18,284	170	-15,111

School Reserves is made up of individual school balances from the 170 schools. The overall change on these is a reduction of £3.2m, which is represented by approximately £0.8m being transferred to academy converters, £0.7m net reduction on the new schools' Growth Fund and £1.7m net movement on schools individual revenue balances.

Individual school balances are in the process of being finalised and will be shared with Councillor Smith once finalised.

5. Question from Councillor Pressel to Councillor Constance

“Walton Street is a busy road in my division, almost an arterial road. It is in a very poor state in its northern and southern sections. It contains many deep potholes and stretches which are failing.

Please can you make sure it is resurfaced as soon as possible?”

Answer:

“There are no plans to undertake comprehensive resurfacing works in the near future but preparatory work to design the right solution will take place in the coming year. In the meantime essential maintenance by our City Council colleagues will continue to be undertaken to ensure the highway remains safe for the public to use.

The same assessment process is used across all of Oxfordshire’s roads to ensure that funds are prioritised.”