

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, 18 JUNE 2024

<i>List published 18 June 2024 Decisions will (unless called in) become effective at 5.00pm on 25 June 2024</i>		
<i>RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED</i>	<i>DECISIONS</i>	<i>ACTION</i>
1. Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Tim Bearder, Neil Fawcett and Kate Gregory.	DLG (A Newman)
2. Declarations of Interest - guidance note below	There were none.	
3. Minutes To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2024 (CA3) and to receive information arising from them.	The minutes of the meeting held on 14 th May 2024 were approved as a correct record.	DLG (C Reynolds)
4. Questions from County Councillors	See annex.	
5. Petitions and Public Address	<u>Petition – Oxpens River Bridge Scheme</u> Dan Glazebrook <u>10 Oxfordshire County Council to become a Council of Sanctuary</u> Mark Goldring Agegnehu Mamo Jugurta Chabane	

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<p>6. Appointments 2024-2025</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Leader of the Council <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2024/132 <i>Contact:</i> Colm O’Caomhanaigh, Democratic Services Manager colm.ocaomhanaigh@oxfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>Report by Director of Law and Governance (CA6).</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to agree the appointments to the bodies set out in the Annex to this report.</p>	<p>Recommendations approved with correction to the title of the Deputy Leader of the Council with Responsibility for Climate Change, Environment & Future Generations where applicable.</p>	<p>DLG (C Ó Caomhá naigh)</p>
<p>7. Reports from Scrutiny Committees</p> <p>Cabinet will receive the following Scrutiny reports:-</p> <p>Report of the People Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Adult Social Care CQC Assurance Update</p> <p>Report of the Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Circular Economy Strategy</p>	<p>Cabinet received the Scrutiny reports and will respond in due course.</p>	<p>DLG (R Doney)</p>
<p>8. Oxfordshire Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) - Update for 2024</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Transport Management <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2024/139 <i>Contact:</i> Dave Harrison, Public Transport Team Leader, Dave.harrison@oxfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>Report by Corporate Director: Environment & Place (CA8)</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to</p>	<p>Recommendations approved.</p>	<p>CDEP (D Harrison)</p>

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<p>(a) approve adoption of the updated Oxfordshire BSIP</p> <p>(b) delegate authority for sign off on future updates of the Oxfordshire BSIP to the Director of Transport and Infrastructure in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport Management.</p>		
<p>9. Oxfordshire County Council's Productivity Plan</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: Leader</i> <i>Forward Plan Ref: 2024/137</i> <i>Contact: Kathy Wilcox, Head of Financial Strategy</i> <i>Kathy.wilcox@oxfordshire.gov.uk</i></p> <p>Report by Executive Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer (CA8)</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) Approve the productivity plan for submission to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities</p> <p>(b) Approve the additional barriers to efficiency document for submission to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities</p>	<p>Recommendations approved.</p>	<p>EDR (K Wilcox)</p>
<p>10. Oxfordshire County Council to become a Council of Sanctuary</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: Leader</i> <i>Forward Plan Ref: 2024/145</i> <i>Contact: Robin Rogers, Programme</i></p>		

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<p>Director (Partnerships and Delivery)</p> <p>Report by Executive Director: People (CA10)</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Agree that the Council should work towards submitting an application to become a recognised Council of Sanctuary, as proposed in the motion passed by full council on 7 November 2023 – see Annex 1 (iii); b) Note the requirement for the development of a strategy or framework for migration for future decision making and integration into the Council's business and budget planning process; c) Delegate the submission of an application for Sanctuary Status to the Executive Director of People in consultation with the Leader of the Council; d) Note the progress made against the other resolutions in the motion passed by Council on 7 November 2023 – see Annex 1 (i and ii). 	<p>Recommendations approved.</p>	<p>EDP (R Rogers)</p>
<p>11. Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Leader of the Council <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2024/002 <i>Contact:</i> Karina Russell, Policy Team Leader,</p>		

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<p>Karina.russell@oxfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>Report by Executive Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer (CA11)</p> <p>Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to approve the Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement for Oxfordshire County Council</p>	<p>Recommendation approved.</p>	<p>CEO (K Russell)</p>
<p>12. Period Poverty Scheme Trial</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Leader of the Council <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2024/113 <i>Contact:</i> Karina Russell, Policy Team Leader, Karina.russell@oxfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>Report by Executive Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer (CA12)</p> <p>Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">a) Approve the allocation of the £10,000 from the cost-of-living programme funding for a trial scheme of period products to support residents experiencing period poverty.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">b) Note the update on progress made on the Period Poverty motion approved by Council on 12 September 2023.</p>	<p>Recommendations approved.</p>	<p>CEO (K Russell)</p>
<p>13. Annual Performance Report and Provisional Revenue Outturn 2023/24</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Finance <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2024/061 <i>Contact:</i> Kathy Wilcox. Head of Financial Strategy Kathy.wilcox@oxfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>Report by Executive Director of Resources</p>		

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<p>& Section 151 Officer (CA13)</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. To note the annual Performance Report for 2023/24. b. To note the summary of the provisional year - end financial position for 2023/24 along with the year-end position on general balances and earmarked reserves as explained in Annex B. c. To agree that the £1.6m surplus on the On-Street Parking Account at the end of the 2023/24 financial year, that has not yet been applied to fund eligible expenditure in accordance with Section 55(4) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, can be carried forward to the 2024/25 financial year as set out in Annex B-3c. d. To approve the creation of a new reserve to support the council's Commercial Strategy and initial contribution of £2.0m. e. To approve the addition of £2.8m to the IFRS9 Reserve. f. To approve the addition of £1.0m to the Budget Priorities Reserve. g. To note the Digital Inclusion Action Plan progress update for 2023/24 – Annex C. h. To note the Voluntary and Community progress update for 2023/24 – Annex D 	<p>Recommendations approved.</p>	<p>EDR (K Wilcox)</p>

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<p>14. Capital Outturn Report 2023/24</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Finance <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2024/140 <i>Contact:</i> Kathy Wilcox, Head of Financial Strategy Kathy.wilcox@oxfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>Report by Executive Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer (CA14)</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>a) note the performance against the capital programme for 2023/24 as set out in the report.</p> <p>b) approve the creation of a new reserve to support the development of green financing and to make an initial contribution of £1.0m funded from the interest released at the end of 2023/24 (as set out in paragraph 65).</p>	<p>Recommendations approved.</p>	<p>EDR (K Wilcox)</p>
<p>15. Capital Programme Approvals - June 2024</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Finance <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2024/062 <i>Contact:</i> Natalie Crawford, Capital Programme Manager Natalie.crawford@oxfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>Report by Executive Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer (CA15)</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>a. approve the inclusion of the A4130 Rowstock</p>	<p>Recommendations approved.</p>	<p>EDR (N Crawford)</p>

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<p>Roundabout to Steventon Lights scheme into the Capital Programme with an indicative budget of £1.041m to be fully funded from S106 developer contributions.</p> <p>b. approve the inclusion of the Abingdon National Cycle Network Route 5 (NCN5) Missing Link scheme into the Capital Programme with an indicative budget of £1.474m funded from the Active Travel Fund Tranche 4 Extension.</p> <p>c. approve a budget increase of £4.657m from £4.763m to £9.420m, to progress the expansion of Grove Church of England Primary School, funded by S106 contributions (£5.620m), Basic Need (£1.000m) and Basic Need Contingency (£2.800m).</p> <p>d. approve the inclusion of Union Street Phase 1.5 & 2 into the Capital Programme, with an indicative budget of £1.450m, to be partly funded by the Asset Rationalisation Programme agreed by Full Council in February 2022, with an initial budget of £4.700m (increased in February 2024 by £2.300m) and the Decarbonisation</p>		

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<p>Programme where £8.200m funding was agreed in March 2024.</p>		
<p>16. Forward Plan and Future Business</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: All</i> <i>Contact Officer: Chris Reynolds, Senior Democratic Services Officer,</i> chris.reynolds@oxfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>The Cabinet Procedure Rules provide that the business of each meeting at the Cabinet is to include “updating of the Forward Plan and proposals for business to be conducted at the following meeting”. Items from the Forward Plan for the immediately forthcoming meetings of the Cabinet appear in the Schedule at CA16. This includes any updated information relating to the business for those meetings that has already been identified for inclusion in the next Forward Plan update.</p> <p>The Schedule is for noting, but Cabinet Members may also wish to take this opportunity to identify any further changes they would wish to be incorporated in the next Forward Plan update.</p> <p><i>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for forthcoming meetings.</i></p>	Noted.	

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ITEM 4 – QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

<p>1. COUNCILLOR IAN MIDDLETON</p> <p>"A controlled crossing across the A44 near to Begbroke has been something the village has been calling for for over 30 years. 2 years ago this administration finally approved the proposals and allocated funding. The Parish Council were extremely impressed that we'd at last taken their concerns seriously and they would have their crossing very soon.</p> <p>Some 2 years on from that point we have approved drawings and completed a consultation on the project, yet we still have no idea when the crossing will be installed. Proposed start date after start date has been missed and during a recent meeting I attended with Paul Fermer it appeared that the works had still not been programmed.</p> <p>Villagers' eager anticipation about the crossing and positive view of the council has now soured into distrust and annoyance that we seemingly don't want to commit to actually getting the job done. There is now a belief that they are being fobbed off and a concern that funding may be pulled, leaving them back where they started 2 years ago. I have assured them that this is not the case, but their faith in those promises is starting to wear thin.</p> <p>Could the cabinet member now provide me with a firm date for the start of works and his personal assurances that this date will not be missed? Preferably a date before the end of this</p>	<p>COUNCILLOR ANDREW GANT, CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT</p> <p>I have discussed with officers and can confirm that the scheme to install a crossing at Begbroke has funding allocated and is within the councils' minor improvements programme. Unfortunately, the work has not progressed as quickly as hoped or communicated, and I appreciate the frustration around this. I have asked officers to ensure effort is made to meet delivery commitments made and that any delays are communicated.</p> <p>I can confirm that detailed design is nearing completion. I have asked officers to provide you with the remaining steps and likely timeframe for remaining work, this will be provided by the end of the month.</p>
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administration as I'd like to see the project through before the next County Council election".