

## CABINET – 19 APRIL 2016

### OXFORDSHIRE TOGETHER – UPDATE OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION Report by the Deputy Director - Commercial

#### Introduction

1. This paper asks Cabinet to consider an update to the existing resolution (198/05, Cabinet on 20 September 2005) that forms part of the Local Agency Agreements (Section 101 under the Local Government Act 1972).

#### Context

2. Following the launch of the Highways element of Oxfordshire Together in September 2015, it has come to light that the project team are unable to issue updated section 101 Local Agency Agreements to Town and Parish Councils due to the existing wording not being suitable for some of the additional services that are on offer.
3. This updated resolution will enable the Director for Environment and Economy (E&E) in consultation with the County Solicitor to formally transfer the undertaking of Highway Services that have been identified within the Oxfordshire Together proposals to Town and Parish Councils that wish to take them on. The updated wording will also enable other Highway services (or associated activities) to be added to the agreement without a further update to the resolution from Cabinet. Any services that are added will receive prior approval from the Director of E&E and the County Solicitor before inclusion within any further agreements.
4. Detailed information about the proposed approach and the current services in scope is available in the Oxfordshire Together Service Booklet published on the council's website ([www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxfordshiretogether](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxfordshiretogether)).

#### Recommendation

Cabinet are **RECOMMENDED** to:

- (a) agree an updated resolution that covers highway services (and associated activities) identified as part of the Oxfordshire Together (Highways) proposal.
- (b) approve the wording on the front of the Local Agency Agreements issued under section 101 of the Local Governments Act 1972 as follows:

**Agreement Under Section 101  
of the Local Government Act 1972**

Relating to various highway (and traffic and drainage) functions  
(suitable for highways, grass cutting, weed control, footway clearance, basal tree growth, cleaning signs, drainage, illegal sign removal and vegetation letters, grip maintenance, school crossing patrols and any other Highway service (or associated activities)) that the Environment & Economy Director and County Solicitor deem to be appropriate.

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