



Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Cultural & Community Services

***Monday, 16 September 2013 at 12.00 pm
County Hall, New Road, Oxford***

Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on 24 September 2013 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

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Note: Date of next meeting: 14 October 2013

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Items for Decision

1. Declarations of Interest

2. Questions from County Councillors

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am two working days before the meeting, ask a question on any matter in respect of the Cabinet Member's delegated powers.

The number of questions which may be asked by any councillor at any one meeting is limited to two (or one question with notice and a supplementary question at the meeting) and the time for questions will be limited to 30 minutes in total. As with questions at Council, any questions which remain unanswered at the end of this item will receive a written response.

Questions submitted prior to the agenda being despatched are shown below and will be the subject of a response from the appropriate Cabinet Member or such other councillor or officer as is determined by the Cabinet Member, and shall not be the subject of further debate at this meeting. Questions received after the despatch of the agenda, but before the deadline, will be shown on the Schedule of Addenda circulated at the meeting, together with any written response which is available at that time.

3. Petitions and Public Address

4. Village Hall and Community Centre Grants 2013/14 (Pages 1 - 8)

Forward Plan Ref: 2013/050

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Report by Head of Law & Culture (**CMSCCS5**).

The County Council's grant scheme for the improvement of village halls and other community buildings is administered by the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council (ORCC). This report summarises the applications received and recommends allocations from the grant fund for 2013/14.

The Cabinet Member for Cultural & Community Services is RECOMMENDED to:

- (a) approve the grants, excepting that for Sandford on Thames and Warborough Greet Hall proposed in Annex 2 to this report;***
- (b) delegate authority to determine the grants for Sandford on Thames and Warborough Greet Hall to the Cultural Services Manager.***

5. Museums Service Collections Development Policy (Pages 9 - 52)

Forward Plan Ref: 2013/103

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Report by Head of Law & Culture (**CMDCS4**).

Collections are central to the function of the Museums Service. Their effective management is achieved through a coherent set of policy statements, plans and procedures. These are brought together in the Museums Service Collections Development Policy, previously known as the Acquisition and Disposal Policy, which addresses the need for collections development, information, access, care and conservation.

The Collections Development Policy is an essential element in ensuring that the Museums Service is able to meet the standards required in order to retain its current accredited status within the scheme now administered by the Arts Council England.

The Service has now been invited to re-new its Accredited status under the revised standard introduced in October 2011. As part of the application process the Service is required to review and revise its current Acquisitions and Disposals Policy (2006 - 2011) which, to comply with the new standard, is restyled a Collections Development Policy (Annex 1). This report seeks formal approval of the revised version as this is a requirement of the accreditation process.

The Museums Service has received a request from the National Trust to transfer ownership of Lady Nuffield's Morris 8 car to them. The Museum Services' Collections Management Policy 2013 -18 requires a transfer of this nature to be reviewed and approved by the Service's governing body. Annex 2 to this report therefore reviews the circumstances of the original acquisition and makes recommendations as to future ownership, subject to approval being given to the Collections Management Policy.

The Cabinet Member for Community Services is RECOMMENDED to:

- a) approve the Museums Service's Collections Development Policy 2013-2018;***
 - b) subsequent to the approval of the Museums Service's Collection Development Policy, approve the transfer of Lady Nuffield's Wolsey 8 (accession number OXCMS 1987.44) to the National Trust.***
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