

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.)

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RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE AGENDA	DECISIONS	ACTION
<p>1. Minutes</p> <p>To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2017 (CC1) and to receive information arising from them.</p>	<p>The Minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2017 were approved and signed subject to showing Councillor Ted Fenton under Apologies and Absence.</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <p>At the suggestion of Councillor Webber, the Chairman agreed to ask officers to give further consideration to the follow-up mechanism used to report back on issues raised at Council.</p>	<p>CLO (D Miller)</p> <p>CLO</p>
<p>2. Apologies for Absence</p>	<p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bulmer, Clarke, Handley and Mathew.</p>	
<p>3. Declarations of Interest - see guidance note</p> <p>Members are reminded that they must declare their interests orally at the meeting and specify (a) the nature of the interest and (b) which items on the agenda are the relevant items. This applies also to items where members have interests by virtue of their membership of a district council in Oxfordshire.</p>	<p>There were none.</p>	
<p>4. Official Communications</p>	<p>The Chairman reported that she would be undertaking the Maggie Culture Crawl in aid of the Maggie Centre at the Churchill hospital, Oxford. Gift Aid Envelopes had been</p>	

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	<p>circulated and a just Giving page had been set up should members wish to support the cause.</p> <p>The Chairman informed members that the Chairman's Dinner this year would be held on 9th December in order to raise funds for Oxfords Oesophageal Stomach Organisation. The Dinner would be prepared by the Oxford Guild of Chefs. She urged Members to come and support the Charity.</p> <p>Council congratulated staff on being awarded the HMS Victory Employer Recognition Award for the reservists in the County Council.</p> <p>The Chairman encouraged members to visit the Mosaic in the Grand July Room (a copy of the Bayeux Tapestry).</p>	
<p>5. Appointments</p> <p>To make any changes to the membership of the Cabinet, scrutiny and other committees on the nomination of political groups.</p>	<p>There were none.</p>	
<p>6. Petitions and Public Address</p>	<p>Dr Sheikh Ramzy spoke in support of Agenda Item 16 (Motion from Councillor Jamila Azad) calling for an independent review of hate crime legislation, including measures to tackle online hatred and abuse;</p> <p>Mr Chris Church spoke in support of Agenda Item 15 (Motion from Councillor John Sanders) calling for a councillor-led inter-council Air Pollution Action Group to be convened urgently to identify measures to reduce air pollution.</p>	

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7. Questions with Notice from Members of the Public	There were none.	
8. Questions with Notice from Members of the Council	<p>15 questions with notice were asked. Details of the questions and answers and supplementary questions and answers (where asked) are set out in Annex 1 to the minutes.</p> <p>In relation to question 5 (Question to Councillor Constance from Councillor Hannaby, Councillor Constance gave an undertaking to follow up on the suggestion that the Council extend its current maintenance Contract.</p> <p>In relation to question 7 (Question to Councillor Hibbert-Biles from Councillor Howson, Councillor Hibbert-Biles gave an undertaking to include representations about funding for SEN transport now that the DfE is having a review on the Guidance in relation to SEN Transport.</p> <p>In relation to question 10 (Question to Councillor Constance from Councillor John Sanders, Councillor Constance agreed to walk the route with Councillor Sanders to discuss the points raised in his question.</p> <p>In relation to question 11 (Question to Councillor Constance from Councillor Pressel, Councillor Constance gave an undertaking to follow up with officers on how the Council worked with the City Council on the Botley Road improvements.</p>	<p>DEE (J. Larkcom)</p> <p>DCS (K. Mace)</p> <p>DEE (J. Larkcom)</p> <p>DEE (J. Larkcom)</p>
9. Report of the Cabinet Report of the Cabinet Meeting held on 18 July 2017 (CC9).	<p>Council received the report of the Cabinet.</p> <p>In relation to paragraph 1 (Section 75 Agreement – Update 2017) (Question</p>	<p>DAS</p>

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	<p>from Councillor Rooke to Councillor Stratford), Councillor Stratford undertook to provide Rooke with a written answer detailing what systems are in place to support staff through the process of the Care Quality Commission's review of high DETOC figures in Oxon and should the result lead to a reduction in government funding, how will the Cabinet Member ensure that any loss to the pooled budget is geared in relation to the proportions of DETOC figures which are directly the responsibility of the County Council.</p> <p>In relation to paragraph 1 (Section 75 Agreement – Update 2017) (Question from Councillor Price to Councillor Stratford), Councillor Stratford undertook to provide Price with a written answer detailing what elements of the pooled budget are contributing towards the care and support directly related to the now permanently closed acute hospital beds and what the potential risks to the budget are now that the CCG now plan to close further beds.</p> <p>In relation to paragraph 2 (City Centre Transport Improvements and Experimental Queen Street Closure) (Question from Councillor Johnston to Councillor Constance), Councillor Constance undertook to provide Councillor Johnston with a written answer detailing whether there are any contingency plans in place should the government decide not to close Queen Street.</p> <p>In relation to paragraph 2 (City Centre Transport Improvements and Experimental Queen Street Closure) (Question from Councillor Howson to Councillor Constance), Councillor</p>	<p>DAS</p> <p>DEE (J. Larkcom)</p> <p>DEE (J. Larkcom)</p>

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	<p>Constance undertook to provide Councillor Howson with a written answer detailing why the Westgate Travel Plan did not feature in the report that went to Cabinet in July and explaining why having spent £400,000 on the Worcester street junction the Council are spending more money redeveloping that junction again, despite the fact that councillors were told last week that there is going to be a joint County and City study with consultants to look at the whole problem of transport, pedestrians and cycling within the City and the cost of that Study.</p>	
<p>10. Treasury Management 2016/17 Outturn</p> <p>Report by Director of Finance (CC10).</p> <p>The report sets out the Treasury Management activity undertaken in the financial year 2016/17 in compliance with the CIPFA Code of Practice. The report includes Debt and Investment activity, Prudential Indicator Outturn, Investment Strategy, and interest receivable and payable for the financial year.</p> <p>Council is RECOMMENDED to note the Council's Treasury Management Activity in 2016/17.</p>	<p>Recommendations Agreed nem con</p>	<p>DF (L. Gosling)</p>
<p>11. Oxfordshire Minerals & Waste Local Plan: Part 1 - Core Strategy - Inspector's Report and Adoption</p> <p>Report by the Director for Planning and Place (CC11).</p> <p>The County Council has a statutory duty to prepare a new Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan, to provide an effective planning strategy and policies for the</p>		

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<p>supply of minerals and management of waste in the county, consistent with environmental, social and economic needs, to replace the existing Minerals and Waste Local Plan which was adopted in 1996. The Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy (the Plan) was approved by the County Council in March 2015 and submitted for independent examination by a planning inspector in December 2015. Following a hearing held in September 2016, the Inspector issued an Interim Report.</p> <p>The Interim Report provided the Inspector’s conclusions on the amounts of provision that need to be made for mineral working and waste management over the Plan period to 2031. He concluded that the provision for mineral working should be as the Council proposed in the submitted Plan, based on the Local Aggregate Assessment 2014. The Interim Report also covered certain legal and procedural matters, including the need for further Strategic Environmental Assessment / Sustainability Appraisal (SEA/SA) work to be undertaken and stated that modifications to the Plan needed to be proposed.</p> <p>The further SEA/SA work required was undertaken and a comprehensive new SEA/SA report prepared. Proposed modifications to the Plan were drafted in response to the Inspector's Interim Report and in the light of representations made on the Plan and discussion at the examination hearing and the further SA/SEA work. Following agreement by Cabinet in January 2017, the proposed modifications and the new SEA/SA report were published for public consultation in February 2017.</p> <p>All responses to this consultation that were received by the Council were passed to the</p>		

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<p>Inspector. The Inspector considered these responses and issued his Final Report on the examination of the Plan on 15 June 2017. The Inspector concludes that the Plan as submitted has a number of deficiencies in respect of soundness and legal compliance, which means that he recommends non-adoption of it as submitted, but that with his recommended main modifications the Plan satisfies legal requirements and meets the criteria for soundness and is capable of adoption.</p> <p>The Inspector's Final Report confirms the findings of his Interim Report. His recommended main modifications are largely the same as the Council's proposed modifications that were published in February 2017 but he has made a small number of alterations to bring certain polices into line with national policy and ensure soundness of the Plan. The Council may now adopt the Plan but may only do so with the main modifications recommended by the Inspector and any additional modifications that do not affect the polices. A schedule of additional modifications has been drawn up. Adoption of the Plan requires a resolution of the Council. The Cabinet, on 18 July 2017, resolved to recommend to Council that the Core Strategy with the main modifications recommended by the Inspector and necessary additional modifications be adopted.</p> <p>Council is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) adopt the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy with the main modifications recommended by the Inspector in his final report (Appendix B) at Annex 3B, the additional modifications at Annex 4 and any further minor additional modifications made</p>	<p>Recommendations Agreed by 53 votes to 3, with 2 abstentions</p>	

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<p><i>under b) i below, in accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 section 23(3) (as amended);</i></p> <p>(b) authorise the Director for Planning & Place to:</p> <p>(i) make any further minor additional modifications which may be necessary, such as formatting changes and typographical corrections, in order to publish the plan; and</p> <p>(ii) carry out the steps required by The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, Regulation 26 for making the plan and other documents and information publically available and notifying specified persons as soon as reasonably practicable after the plan is adopted.</p>		
<p>12. Motion from Councillor Liz Leffman</p> <p>“This Council notes that in spite of repeatedly advertising vacancies, the Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group has been unable to recruit enough GPs and other clinical staff to meet local need.</p> <p>Many patients now have to wait for at least 4 weeks for a non-emergency appointment with their GP. This is in part due to the difficulty of attracting GP’s to serve in rural areas, especially where house prices are high and GP premises require significant investment. It is a problem shared with other counties, and is acknowledged by the SPARSE Rural Group of the Rural Services Network, which has given backing to a proposal to offer GPs a “rural weighting” as part of their remuneration.</p>	<p>The amendment by Councillor Liz Brighthouse as set out below in bold italics and strikethrough was carried by 48 votes to 10.</p> <p>“This Council notes that in spite of repeatedly advertising vacancies, the Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group has been unable to recruit enough GPs and other clinical staff to meet local need.</p> <p>Many patients now have to wait for at least 4 weeks for a non-emergency appointment with their GP. This is in part due to the difficulty of in attracting GP’s to serve in rural—areas Oxfordshire, especially where house</p>	

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<p>Similar to the accepted practice of 'London weighting', such a scheme would aim to attract the needed physicians and in turn facilitate better provision of health services across the county.</p> <p>This Council believes that a "rural weighting" is needed in order to attract GPs to the county and relieve pressure on accident and emergency services. This Council therefore asks the Leader of the Council to request Oxfordshire MPs to lobby the Secretary of State for Health to introduce a scheme of 'rural weighting' for GPs who accept positions in rural counties such as Oxfordshire."</p>	<p>prices are high. and GP premises require significant investment. It is a problem shared with other counties, and is acknowledged by the SPARSE Rural Group of the Rural Services Network, which has given backing to a proposal to offer GPs a "rural weighting" as part of their remuneration. Similar to the accepted practice of 'London weighting', such a scheme Oxfordshire although a rural County has all the challenges in recruiting staff due to the cost of living as exists in London. Introducing a weighting scheme such as operates in London would aim to attract the much needed physicians and in turn facilitate better provision of health services across the County.</p> <p>This Council believes that a "rural weighting" this is needed in order to attract GPs and other clinicians to the county and so relieve pressure on Accident and Emergency Services. This Council therefore asks the Leader of the Council to request Oxfordshire MPs to lobby the Secretary of State for Health to introduce a "London Weighting" type scheme of 'rural weighting' for GPs and clinical staff who accept positions in rural counties such as Oxfordshire."</p> <p>The substantive motion as amended was agreed unanimously.</p> <p>RESOLVED: (Unanimous)</p> <p>"This Council notes that in spite of repeatedly advertising vacancies, the Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group has been unable to recruit enough GPs and other clinical staff to meet local need.</p>	<p>Leader CLO (C. Harris)</p>

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	<p>Many patients now have to wait for at least 4 weeks for a non-emergency appointment with their GP. This is in part due to the difficulty in attracting GP's to serve in Oxfordshire, where house prices are high. Oxfordshire although a rural County has all the challenges in recruiting staff due to the cost of living as exists in London. Introducing a weighting scheme such as operates in London would attract the much needed physicians and in turn facilitate better provision of health services across the County.</p> <p>This Council believes that this is needed to attract GPs and other clinicians to the county and so relieve pressure on Accident and Emergency Services. This Council therefore asks the Leader of the Council to request Oxfordshire MPs to lobby the Secretary of State for Health to introduce a "London Weighting" type scheme for GPs and clinical staff who accept positions in Oxfordshire."</p>	
<p>13. Motion from Councillor Mark Cherry</p> <p>"Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department needs at least £165 million pounds to get Oxfordshire roads fit for purpose. Unfortunately though, it has to work with a highways budget for Oxfordshire roads of around £20 million a year.</p> <p>Council asks the leader of Oxfordshire County Council write to the Minister for Transport to ask that he give urgent consideration to the importance of extra funding for our failing roads in Oxfordshire."</p>	<p>With the consent of Council, Councillor Cherry moved an alteration to his motion at the suggestion of Councillor Reeves as shown below in strikethrough:</p> <p>"Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department needs at least £165 million pounds to get Oxfordshire roads fit for purpose. Unfortunately though, it has to work with a highways budget for Oxfordshire roads of around £20 million a year.</p> <p>Council asks the leader of Oxfordshire County Council write to the Minister</p>	

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	<p>for Transport to ask that he give urgent consideration to the importance of extra funding for our failing roads in Oxfordshire.”</p> <p>Councillor Smith moved and Councillor Johnston seconded the following amendment as shown below in bold italics and strikethrough:</p> <p>"Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department needs at least £165 million pounds to get Oxfordshire roads fit for purpose. Unfortunately though, it has to work with a highways budget for Oxfordshire roads of around £20 million a year.</p> <p>Council asks the leader of Oxfordshire County Council write to the Minister for Transport to ask that he give urgent consideration to the importance of extra funding for our failing roads in Oxfordshire.”<i>Council also asks Cabinet to consider prudential borrowing as an additional way to ensure ongoing investment in our local roads”</i></p> <p>The amendment was lost by 46 votes to 12, with 1 abstention.</p> <p>The Substantive motion as amended was carried unanimously.</p> <p>RESOLVED: (Unanimous)</p> <p>"Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department needs at least £165 million pounds to get Oxfordshire roads fit for purpose. Unfortunately though, it has to work with a highways budget for Oxfordshire roads of around £20 million a year.</p>	<p>DEE</p> <p>CLO (C. Harris)</p>

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	Council asks the leader of Oxfordshire County Council write to the Minister for Transport to ask that he give urgent consideration to the importance of extra funding for our roads in Oxfordshire."	
<p>14. Motion from Councillor Emma Turnbull</p> <p>Oxfordshire has a growing number of children identified as having complex social, emotional and mental health needs. Some of these children have experienced conflict and need specialist psychological assessment, counselling or therapy to help them through the crisis and rebuild their lives.</p> <p>The local CAMHS has been struggling to meet the needs of these young people. Figures for June 2017 show that only 53% of young people get their first routine appointment within 12 weeks of referral (target is 75%). There are currently 1,114 children waiting to access mental health services in Oxfordshire.</p> <p>The CAMHS provides excellent care, but is a service currently unable to offer quick, flexible intervention to help young people in distress. This is having a detrimental effect on schools, which lack the expertise, training and resources to manage their pupils' complex needs.</p> <p>There is a real, growing need to provide young people in distress with access to one-to-one or group-based specialist services that help alleviate trauma and build resilience while they wait for longer term assessment. These services should be freely accessible to young people through the locality teams working from our family and children's centres.</p>	<p>With the consent of Council, Councillor Turnbull moved an alteration to her motion at the suggestion of Councillors Reeves and Johnson as follows in bold italics and strikethrough:</p> <p>Oxfordshire has a growing number of <i>children and young people (CYP)</i> as having complex social, emotional and mental health needs. Some of these <i>CYP</i> have experienced conflict and <i>all</i> need timely access to services including specialist psychological assessment. Counselling or therapy to help them through the crisis and rebuild their lives.</p> <p>The local CAMHS has been struggling to meet the needs of these young people. Figures for June 2017 show that only 53% of young people get their first routine appointment within 12 weeks of referral (target is 75%). There are currently 1,114 <i>CYP</i> waiting to access mental health services in Oxfordshire.</p> <p>The CAMHS provides excellent care, but is a service currently unable to offer quick, flexible intervention to help young people in distress. This is having a detrimental effect on schools, which lack the expertise, training and resources to manage their pupils' complex needs.</p>	

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<p>This Council, recognising this need, calls on Cabinet to set up a specialist emotional and mental wellbeing service and allocate the necessary funds for it in the 2018 budget. This service would complement and support the mental health awareness work that is being done in schools, but would focus on providing rapid, flexible support for young people in distress.</p>	<p>There is a real, growing need to provide young people in distress with access to one-to-one or group-based specialist services that help alleviate trauma and build resilience while they wait for longer term assessment and treatment. These services should be freely accessible to young people through the locality teams working from our family and children's centres.</p> <p>This Council, recognising this urgent need, calls on Cabinet to <u>investigate the cost and practicality to set up a specialist emotional and mental wellbeing service for CYP for consideration</u> in the 2018 budget. This service would complement and support the mental health awareness work that is being done in schools, but would focus on providing rapid, flexible support for young people in distress.</p> <p>The motion as amended was carried by 55 votes to 0.</p> <p>RESOLVED: (55 votes to 0)</p> <p>“Oxfordshire has a growing number of children and young people (CYP) as having complex social, emotional and mental health needs. Some of these CYP have experienced conflict and all need timely access to services including specialist psychological assessment. Counselling or therapy to help them through the crisis and rebuild their lives.</p> <p>The local CAMHS has been struggling to meet the needs of these young people. Figures for June 2017 show that only 53% of young people get their first routine appointment within 12 weeks of referral (target is 75%).</p>	<p>DCS (K. Mace)</p>

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	<p>There are currently 1,114 CYP waiting to access mental health services in Oxfordshire.</p> <p>The CAMHS provides excellent care, but is a service currently unable to offer quick, flexible intervention to help young people in distress. This is having a detrimental effect on schools, which lack the expertise, training and resources to manage their pupils' complex needs.</p> <p>There is a real, growing need to provide young people in distress with access to one-to-one or group-based specialist services that help alleviate trauma and build resilience while they wait for longer term assessment and treatment. These services should be freely accessible to young people through the locality teams working from our family and children's centres.</p> <p>This Council, recognising this urgent need, calls on Cabinet to investigate the cost and practicality to set up a specialist emotional and mental wellbeing service for CYP for consideration in the 2018 budget. This service would complement and support the mental health awareness work that is being done in schools, but would focus on providing rapid, flexible support for young people in distress."</p>	
<p>15. Motion from Councillor John Sanders</p> <p>"This Council welcomes in principle the Government's announcement that it intends to ban the production of diesel and petrol-driven cars by the year 2040 in order to reduce the effects of air pollution on public health. Recognising that, in the meanwhile, it is incumbent on all councils</p>	<p>The time being 4.00 pm, this motion was considered dropped in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.1</p>	

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<p>to play their part in reducing air pollution.</p> <p>This Council instructs the Cabinet to co-operate with all Oxfordshire's district councils urgently to identify measures that will reduce such pollution. In particular, Council calls on Cabinet to propose a councillor-led inter-council Air Pollution Action Group to produce plans for zero-emission or low-emission zones in areas of high air pollution such as in Oxford, Banbury and Didcot and to restrict the access of polluting traffic in such areas."</p>		
<p>16. Motion from Councillor Jamila Begum Azad</p> <p>"We all have right to be treated without discrimination. I am gravely concerned with reports of significant increase in racially motivated crimes in Oxford, and across the County. This Council takes pride in Oxfordshire's diversity and Community cohesion and condemns all acts of racism, islamophobia, xenophobia and homophobia. This Council is committed to work with all our partners to challenge prejudice.</p> <p>All Hate Crimes are wrong, but that which is motivated by hatred and prejudice because of race, faith, sexual orientation or Gender identity are particularly offensive. In Britain today we are from rich mix of race, culture, believes, attitudes and life styles. Tackling hate crimes matters because of the damage it causes to the victim and his/her family, also effectively tackling it can help foster strong and positive relations between different section of community and support community cohesion.</p> <p>The lead from tackling hate crimes must come from local level, with professionals, the voluntary sector and communities</p>	<p>The time being 4.00 pm, this motion was considered dropped in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.1</p>	

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<p>working together to deal with local issues. This Council asks the Leader of Oxfordshire County Council to write to the Prime Minister with a request for an independent review of hate crime legislation, including measures to tackle online hatred and abuse.”</p>		
<p>17. Motion from Councillor Kirsten Johnson</p> <p>“Oxfordshire’s growing population includes increasing numbers of both very young people and those of retirement age. Both groups are key users of public transport and especially buses. Public transport has proven environmental benefits in supporting the county’s move towards a low-carbon future.</p> <p>The Council calls on Cabinet to work towards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a set of principles whereby every resident has access to daily public transport. Not only would this help promote the development of communities, integrate society and allow both young and old to reside anywhere in the county, it would also be in line with the Local Transport Plan whereby “accessible bus connections will enable disabled people, the elderly and those unable to drive to travel more.” • creating a spider-web of bus networks within the county, with key hubs linking the strands. These hubs, serving the rural villages, would be intrinsic to connecting our towns and Oxford city. The buses would range in sizes, from minivans to full-scale buses, depending on demand. <p>This Council instructs Cabinet to write to</p>	<p>The time being 4.00 pm, this motion was considered dropped in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.1</p>	

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<p>bus companies encouraging them to use fares from high-use runs to subsidise those of less use within the hub network. All bus services should be frequent and reliable. As franchises come to an end, tenders should be sought from companies to run inclusive networks, with profit from high-use routes subsidising low-use. Co-operative, mutual and social enterprise models should be encouraged in providing these services with new technological solutions, for example app-based hail-n-ride, can be part of the solution.”</p>		

ANNEX