



**Cabinet  
Tuesday, 23 February 2021**

**ADDENDA**

**4. Questions from County Councillors (Pages 1 - 2)**

*Attached*

**5. Petitions and Public Address (Pages 3 - 4)**

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**9. Forward Plan and Future Business (Pages 5 - 6)**

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**ITEM 4 – QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

<b>Questions</b>	<b>Answers</b>
<p><b>1. COUNCILLOR TIM BEARDER</b></p> <p>Could you please provide a list and value of all the financial settlements exceeding £10,000 of cases where legal proceedings had been issued and the sums (including legal costs) paid out since May 2017.</p>	<p><b>COUNCILLOR JUDITH HEATHCOAT, DEPUTY LEADER</b></p> <p>The information requested is being compiled and will be circulated to all councillors when available.</p>
<p><b>2. COUNCILLOR JOHN HOWSON</b></p> <p>According to accounts filed with Companies House, one Multi-Academy Trust in Oxfordshire spent £1.9 million on central costs in 2019-20, and another Trust spent £2 million on legal and professional fees in the previous year. How much per school did Oxfordshire spend providing central services to maintained schools in 2019-20?</p>	<p><b>COUNCILLOR LORRAINE LINDSAY-GALE, CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION &amp; CULTURAL SERVICES</b></p> <p>The majority of central costs like IT, HR, Finance, Governor services, Insurance are bought in by schools from a number of providers so costs appear in the schools accounts as do costs associated with support staff, they are not costs to Oxfordshire.</p> <p>There are costs like External Audit which are listed for Academies but the costs for maintained schools are within the audit fees paid by Oxfordshire for the whole Council and are not separated out.</p> <p>The central costs in the academy statutory accounts can cover a wide variety of costs. MATs may show depreciation &amp; pension finance costs in this part of their statutory accounts.</p> <p>For Oxfordshire mainstream schools, these costs are reported as part of the County Council statutory accounts. As part of the year-end scrutiny of accounts process the finance team have offered to support the Member with some more detailed examination and explanation of this area.</p>

Questions	Answers
<p data-bbox="215 220 712 252"><b>3. COUNCILLOR LIAM WALKER</b></p> <p data-bbox="215 331 925 547">Can the cabinet member for Environment &amp; Transport update me as to the next steps with the Burford HGV consultation. As she knows this trial is having a detrimental effect on residents living in nearby villages who have seen an increase in HGV traffic avoiding this restriction.</p>	<p data-bbox="947 220 1906 292"><b>COUNCILLOR YVONNE CONSTANCE, CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT (inc. TRANSPORT)</b></p> <p data-bbox="947 331 2051 475">The next steps regarding the Burford weight restriction and the recent consultation will be the analysis of the data from the traffic count survey carried out in early February as well as the responses received during the six-month consultation. This will pick up any issues for nearby villages.</p> <p data-bbox="947 515 2051 770">A report will then be produced for the June 2021 Cabinet meeting which will outline the survey and consultation analysis, as well as summarise the impact of the first six months of the weight restriction. Prior to the June Cabinet meeting, officers will meet with Burford Town Council, local members and other officers within the County Council to discuss the results of the survey and consultation which will feed into an officer recommendation on the way to proceed with the experimental weight restriction in Burford.</p>

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### ITEM 5 – PETITIONS AND PUBLIC ADDRESS

#### Public Address

The following requests to address the meeting have been agreed by the Chairman. The Leader has agreed to take Cllr Afridi near the start of the meeting at Item 5. The other speakers will be taken at the start of the item they are speaking on.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
Item 6 – Business Management & Monitoring Report	Councillor Liz Brighthouse, Chairman of Performance Scrutiny Committee (5 mins)  Councillor Glynis Phillips, Shadow Cabinet Member Finance (5 mins)
Item 7– Workforce Report and Staffing Data	Councillor Emma Turnbull, Shadow Cabinet Member Education & Cultural Services (5 mins)
Item 8 – Recommissioning of Adult Homeless Pathway	Councillor Sobia Afridi, Shadow Cabinet Member Adult Social Care (5 mins)

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### ITEM 9 – FORWARD PLAN AND FUTURE BUSINESS

Members are asked to note the following changes to the Forward Plan:

#### Amendments to items in the present Plan

Portfolio	Topic (Ref)/Decision	Present Timing	Change
<i>Environment</i>	<p><b>Delegation Under an Agency Agreement of a Number of Lead Local Flood Authority Responsibilities</b> (Ref: 2021/003)</p> <p>To seek:</p> <p>(a) agreement of the delegation of Ordinary Watercourse Regulation powers and Flood Investigations to the City and District Councils in Oxfordshire;</p> <p>(b) agreement and sign, by authorised officers of Oxfordshire County Council and the City and District Councils, the draft agency agreements (Appendix A); and</p> <p>(c) authorisation that the Assistant Director for Strategy and Infrastructure to make such minor amendments as necessary to bring the agreements into operation and maintain them until further notice.</p>	16 March 2021	Deferred to date TBA
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