



To: Members of the Cabinet

Notice of a Meeting of the Cabinet

Monday, 12 February 2018 at 2.00 pm

Rooms 1&2 - County Hall, New Road, Oxford OX1 1ND

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Chief Executive

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Membership

Councillors

Ian Hudspeth	Leader of the Council
Mrs Judith Heathcoat	Deputy Leader
Lawrie Stratford	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care
Steve Harrod	Cabinet Member for Children & Family Services
Lorraine Lindsay-Gale	Cabinet Member for Property & Cultural Services
Yvonne Constance OBE	Cabinet Member for Environment
David Bartholomew	Cabinet Member for Finance
Hilary Hibbert-Biles	Cabinet Member for Public Health & Education
Mark Gray	Cabinet Member for Local Communities

The Agenda is attached. Decisions taken at the meeting will become effective at the end of the working day on Tuesday 20 February 2018 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee. Copies of this Notice, Agenda and supporting papers are circulated to all Members of the County Council.

Date of next meeting: 27 February 2018

Declarations of Interest

The duty to declare.....

Under the Localism Act 2011 it is a criminal offence to

- (a) fail to register a disclosable pecuniary interest within 28 days of election or co-option (or re-election or re-appointment), or
- (b) provide false or misleading information on registration, or
- (c) participate in discussion or voting in a meeting on a matter in which the member or co-opted member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

Whose Interests must be included?

The Act provides that the interests which must be notified are those of a member or co-opted member of the authority, **or**

- those of a spouse or civil partner of the member or co-opted member;
- those of a person with whom the member or co-opted member is living as husband/wife
- those of a person with whom the member or co-opted member is living as if they were civil partners.

(in each case where the member or co-opted member is aware that the other person has the interest).

What if I remember that I have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest during the Meeting?.

The Code requires that, at a meeting, where a member or co-opted member has a disclosable interest (of which they are aware) in any matter being considered, they disclose that interest to the meeting. The Council will continue to include an appropriate item on agendas for all meetings, to facilitate this.

Although not explicitly required by the legislation or by the code, it is recommended that in the interests of transparency and for the benefit of all in attendance at the meeting (including members of the public) the nature as well as the existence of the interest is disclosed.

A member or co-opted member who has disclosed a pecuniary interest at a meeting must not participate (or participate further) in any discussion of the matter; and must not participate in any vote or further vote taken; and must withdraw from the room.

Members are asked to continue to pay regard to the following provisions in the code that *“You must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself”* or *“You must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned.....”*.

Please seek advice from the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting should you have any doubt about your approach.

List of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:

Employment (includes *“any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain”*.), **Sponsorship, Contracts, Land, Licences, Corporate Tenancies, Securities.**

For a full list of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and further Guidance on this matter please see the Guide to the New Code of Conduct and Register of Interests at Members’ conduct guidelines.

<http://intranet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/wps/wcm/connect/occ/Insite/Elected+members/> or contact Glenn Watson on **07776 997946** or glenn.watson@oxfordshire.gov.uk for a hard copy of the document.

If you have any special requirements (such as a large print version of these papers or special access facilities) please contact the officer named on the front page, but please give as much notice as possible before the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

- guidance note opposite

3. Minutes

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2018 (**CA3** (to be circulated separately)) and to receive information arising from them.

4. 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'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.

5. Petitions and Public Address

6. Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal

Cabinet Member: Leader

Forward Plan Ref: 2017/173

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Report by Chairman of Growth Board (**CA6**).

The Cabinet Meeting will be to discuss and seek approval to the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal. Once approved by the constituent authorities, delivery of the Deal

will be overseen by the Oxfordshire Growth Board. The Growth Board is a statutory joint committee of the 6 Oxfordshire Local Authorities, the LEP and key strategic partners.

The Deal, as announced by Government in November 2017, provides £215 million of additional government funding for Oxfordshire, to deliver the key infrastructure required to underpin proposed housing development, and additional funds to increase the supply of affordable housing. This funding is comprised of £150 million for infrastructure, £60 million for affordable housing and £5 million capacity funding.

The additional funding will support Oxfordshire's ambition to plan for and support the delivery of up to 100,000 new homes across Oxfordshire between 2011 and 2031 to address the county's housing shortage and expected economic growth. This level of housing growth is that identified by the Oxfordshire Strategic Housing Market Assessment 2014, and is consistent with that planned for in existing and emerging Oxfordshire Local Plans.

The Deal also includes a package of planning "freedoms and flexibilities" that will help Oxfordshire to plan collectively for the long-term, sustainable development of the county by offering some protection from the risk of unplanned speculative development for the duration of development of the JSSP and early years of its implementation.

Once approved by all Local Authorities confirmation, in writing, will go to the Secretary of State along with submission of the agreed Delivery Plan.

The Deal brings with it significant additional funds for Oxfordshire. This will require a step change in delivery at the County Council for the Infrastructure Fund as well as the processes that manage the finances of the Growth Board.

The Terms of Reference for the Growth Board establishes Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) as the Accountable Body for the Growth Board and OCC already provides both this, Section 151 and Monitoring Officer roles. It is proposed that OCC expand this role to include the Deal and to provide relevant reports to the Growth Board on a quarterly basis.

Subject to agreement of the Delivery Plan with Government officials, the Housing and Growth Deal Delivery Plan as well as a full report for the Cabinet meeting and recommendations will be published in advance of the Cabinet Meeting.

Subject to the satisfactory completion of that process, Cabinet will be asked to approve the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Delivery Plan together with associated detailed recommendations.
