



To: Members of the Cabinet

## ***Notice of a Meeting of the Cabinet***

**Tuesday, 23 April 2019 at 2.00 pm**

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

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Chief Executive

April 2019

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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 & Public Health
Ian Corkin	Cabinet Member for Cherwell Partnership
Steve Harrod	Cabinet Member for Children & Family Services
Lorraine Lindsay-Gale	Cabinet Member for Education & Cultural Services
Yvonne Constance OBE	Cabinet Member for Environment
David Bartholomew	Cabinet Member for Finance
Mark Gray	Cabinet Member for Local Communities
Eddie Reeves	Cabinet Member for Transformation

*The Agenda is attached. Decisions taken at the meeting will become effective at the end of the working day on Wednesday 1 May 2019 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: 14 May 2019*

## 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](mailto: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 (Pages 1 - 12)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2019 (**CA3**) 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. OVO Energy Women's Tour (Pages 13 - 30)

*Cabinet Member:* Environment

*Forward Plan Ref:* 2019/053

*Contact:* Gabby Heycock, Area Manager C Tel: 07979 700292

Report by Area Manager, OFRS (**CA6**).

The OVO Energy Women's Tour have approached Oxfordshire to act as hosts for Britain's prestigious cycle race over the next three years. Following a leaders' meeting

on 4 March all council's across Oxfordshire have agreed, in principle, to host the event for years 2019, 2020 and 2021.

This report is to be considered by the Cabinet to support Oxfordshire being a host venue for the next three years.

As set out in this report by hosting this event, we will be contributing to delivery of our Corporate Plan and succeed in our vision of "Thriving communities" for everyone in Oxfordshire. Specifically, this will support "We help people live safe, healthy lives and play an active part in their community."

***Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:***

- (a) support Oxfordshire being a host venue for the OVO Energy Women's cycle tour in 2019, 2020 and 2021.***
- (b) agree the principle of an equal share of costs between the county, the four districts and the city council.***
- (c) allocate a budget of £30,000 to pay the county council's share of the costs in 2019.***
- (d) recommend the council agree to fund the council's share of the hosting fee for years two and three through the annual budget setting process (2020 and 2021).***
- (e) agree that sponsorship, regardless of which partner attracts it, will be used to reduce the hosting costs on an equal basis.***

## **7. Review of S113 Agreement - Update from the Oxfordshire County and Cherwell District Councils Partnership Working Group (Pages 31 - 54)**

*Cabinet Member:* Leader

*Forward Plan Ref:* 2019/039

*Contact:* Claire Taylor, Interim Assistant Chief Executive, Transformation Tel: 07919 367072

Report by Assistant Chief Executive (Interim) (**CA7**).

The report provides an update with regards to the progress of the joint working partnership between Cherwell District and Oxfordshire County Councils.

***Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:***

- (a) note the report attached at appendix 1.***
- (b) endorse the recommendations in the report (appendix 1) and agree (subject to agreement by Cherwell District Council Executive) to establish a project team to develop the next phase of partnership working.***

**8. Affinity Water: Water Resource Management Plan Consultation to April 2019 Relating to Proposed Reservoir in Oxfordshire (Pages 55 - 84)**

*Cabinet Member:* Environment

*Forward Plan Ref:* 2019/040

*Contact:* Lynette Hughes, Senior Planner Tel: 07920 084360/Venina Bland, Planner  
Tel: 07741 607749

Report by Director for Planning & Place (**CA8**).

Affinity Water is currently consulting on its Revised Draft Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP) 2019 which looks ahead to 2080. The consultation documents outline the preferred demand management and water supply options for Affinity Water in the context of the wider South East region. The Cabinet paper sets out how the Affinity Water consultation relates to consultations by Thames Water in 2018 and advises on progress since then. Concerns raised with Thames Water in respect of the reservoir proposal are repeated in the attached draft response to Affinity Water.

***Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to***

- (a) Consider the issues and the draft response in Annex 1 and provide comments as appropriate; and***
- (b) Agree that the final response to the consultation be signed off by the Director of Planning and Place in consultation with the Cabinet Member for the Environment.***

**9. Compulsory Purchase Powers for Acquisition of Land Required for Delivery of Schemes (Pages 85 - 88)**

*Cabinet Member:* Environment

*Forward Plan Ref:* 2019/021

*Contact:* Eric Owens, Assistant Director for Growth & Place Tel: 07799 097637

Report by Director of Planning & Place (**CA9**).

In order to progress with the delivery of proposed major transport infrastructure schemes, the use of Compulsory Purchase Powers may have to be used for the acquisition of land required for the construction, maintenance and operation of new transport infrastructure.

Cabinet is requested to approve delegation to the Director of Planning and Place, in consultation with the Cabinet Member responsible for Transport, to exercise Compulsory Purchase Powers for the purchase of land required for schemes detailed in this report, in the event that the land cannot be purchased through negotiation with landowners.

**The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:**

- (a) Approve delegation of the exercising of Compulsory Purchase Powers to the Director of Planning and Place, in consultation with the Cabinet Member responsible for Transport, for the purchase of land required for the delivery of the major infrastructure schemes outlined in paragraphs 8 and 10 of this report, in the event that the land cannot be acquired by negotiation; and**
- (b) Note that should the whole or any part of lands required are not acquired by negotiation, the making of a Compulsory Purchase Order under provisions contained in Part XII of the Highways Act 1980 for the acquisition of the land, will be progressed. This could include providing the necessary attendance, expert witness provision, etc. at a Public Enquiry if required.**

## 10. Delegated Powers - April 2019

*Cabinet Member:* Leader

*Forward Plan Ref:* 2018/180

*Contact:* Sue Whitehead, Principal Committee Officer Tel: 07393 001213

To report on a quarterly basis any executive decisions taken under the specific powers and functions delegated under the terms of Part 7.2 (scheme of Delegation to Officers) of the Council's Constitution – Paragraph 6.3(c)(i). It is not for Scrutiny call-in.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Decision</i>	<i>Reasons for Exemption</i>
29 January 2019	Request for exemption from Contract Procedure Rule ("CPR") 20 in respect of a Contract Extension for the Independent Financial Adviser	Approved an exemption from the tendering requirements under OCC's Contract Procedure Rules in respect of the award of 2 year extension to the current arrangements for the provision of Independent Financial Advice to the Pension Fund Committee.	To provide continuity of service and effective delivery of support during the development of the Brunel Pension Partnership.
21 February 2019	Request for exemption from tendering under Contract Procedure Rule ("CPR") 20 in respect of a Contract for school improvement services at	Approved an exemption from the tendering requirements under OCC's Contract Procedure Rules in	Given the history to date of the Trust's support for the school, and the quality of the support publicly validated by Ofsted,

	Northfield School	respect of a contract for the provision of school improvement support services at Northfield School by Gallery Trust at a cost of £281,470,	the Gallery Trust are best placed to provide the much-needed continued support to the school.
18 March 2019	Request for exemption from tendering under Contract Procedure Rule ("CPR") 20 in respect of a Contract for Eight Additional Beds for Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children (UASC)	Approved an exemption from the tendering requirements under OCC's Contract Procedure Rules in respect of a contract for the provision of a delivery of 8 (additional) beds for UASC for a term of 12 months at a cost of £218,234.	The provider is delivering a successful service and is best placed to meet the additional requirements quickly and in the best interests of UASC whilst allowing the Council to bring this contract in line with the other supported housing contracts so that they can all be recommissioned at the same time by 1 April 2020, to ensure that there is the best chance of fulfilling future services across all areas of the county
21 March 2019	Request for exemption from tendering under Contract Procedure Rule ("CPR") 20 in respect of the award of Children's Disability Contracts for Short Breaks and Childcare Services	Approved an exemption from the tendering requirements under OCC's Contract Procedure Rules in respect of the award of children's disability contracts to The Gallery Trust through Bardwell School for short breaks and childcare services at a cost of £570,448, including an optional 2 year extension.	Bardwell School has been delivering these services as a maintained school under a service level agreement. It is due to convert to an academy and will become a separate legal entity requiring a contract. The exemption will provide continuity of service and bring this contract in line with the other short breaks and childcare contracts so that they can all be recommissioned at the same time in

			March 2024 (if the 2 year extension is invoked), to ensure that there is the best chance of fulfilling future services across all areas of the county.
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**11. Forward Plan and Future Business (Pages 89 - 92)**

*Cabinet Member: All*

*Contact Officer: Sue Whitehead, Committee Services Manager Tel: 07393 001213*

The Cabinet Procedure Rules provide that the business of each meeting at the Cabinet is to include “updating of the Forward Plan and proposals for business to be conducted at the following meeting”. Items from the Forward Plan for the immediately forthcoming meetings of the Cabinet appear in the Schedule at **CA11**. This includes any updated information relating to the business for those meetings that has already been identified for inclusion in the next Forward Plan update.

The Schedule is for noting, but Cabinet Members may also wish to take this opportunity to identify any further changes they would wish to be incorporated in the next Forward Plan update.

***The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for forthcoming meetings.***

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