

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](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk).)

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### CABINET - TUESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2019

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RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED	DECISIONS	ACTION
<p><b>1. Apologies for Absence</b></p>	None	DLG (A. Newman)
<p><b>2. Declarations of Interest</b>  - guidance note opposite</p>	None.	DLG (A. Newman)
<p><b>3. Minutes</b>  To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2019 (<b>CA3</b>) and to receive information arising from them.</p>	<p>Agreed, subject to the following correction (in <b><i>bold italics</i></b>) to the 4<sup>th</sup> sentence of paragraph 11 of the preamble to Minute 4/19:</p> <p><b><i>In relation to Oxford City</i></b> a number of proposals were being looked at in relation to changes to manage congestion and the overriding principles would be that any changes must be combined with benefits.</p>	SW
<p><b>4. Questions from County Councillors</b></p>	See attached annex.	
<p><b>5. Petitions and Public Address</b></p>	<p>Item 6 – Councillor Liz Brighthouse Councillor Jenny Hannaby Councillor John Sanders</p> <p>Item 8 – Councillor John Sanders</p>	
<p><b>6. Performance Scrutiny Highways Deep Dive Recommendations</b></p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: Environment</i></p>		

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<p><i>Forward Plan Ref: 2018/202</i>  <i>Contact: Lauren Rushen, Policy Officer</i>  <i>Tel: 07990 367851</i></p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) Consider the findings of the Performance Scrutiny Committee's deep dive into highways.</p> <p>(b) Agree which of the following recommendations the Cabinet will accept:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(1) Ensure there is councillor input into the review of the Highways Asset Management Plan, and that this includes consideration of flexibility for local prioritisation.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(2) Ask Cabinet to ensure there is a smarter process for developing a programme of work to utilise the additional capital investment in highways and that a robust capital governance process is in place to help shape this and improve risk management.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(3) Ensure officers consider the impact on public perception when developing a programme of work and improve opportunities for councillors to influence this based on local priorities.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(4) Ask officers to work with SKANSKA to explore a business case for greater levels of supervision that will ensure the quality of work remains high, including a</p>	<p>The following amended recommendation was agreed:</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(a) To thank the Performance Scrutiny Committee for their work on the deep dive into highways;</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(b) To note the recommendations and to ask officers to evaluate and cost the proposals and to report back in the Autumn to the deep dive group and Performance Scrutiny Committee before reporting back to Cabinet;</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(c) That those activities already in train not be halted or paused and that Performance Scrutiny Committee members and Cabinet receive updates as appropriate.</p>	<p>DCS (O. Jenkins)/  CE (L. Rushen)/DL  G (C. OCaonhane)</p>

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<p>consideration of how in-house resources could be utilised differently.</p> <p>(5) Ensure that opportunities to utilise staff in flexible ways are explored further with SKANSKA, so that the maximum benefit of having staff on site can be realised.</p> <p>(6) Encourage officers to explore more innovative maintenance methods and tools.</p> <p>(7) Ask Cabinet to ensure an effective approach to publicly publishing and communicating the highways programme of work is in place.</p> <p>(8) Ask officers to develop a more robust process for informing councillors of local road improvements in their division, so that they can advise on works that need to be prioritised and support early communication with residents.</p> <p>(9) Ask officers to ensure all responses to highways enquiries / reports through Fix My Street include a named officer contact.</p> <p>(10) Ensure direct points of contact are communicated and established for key stakeholders (e.g. town and parish councils) to ensure that local highway priorities can be followed up and dealt with more efficiently.</p> <p>(11) Support the Council's ambition to become a</p>		

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<p>Permitting Authority and request a report on the expected impact of this in mid-2019.</p> <p>(12) Support the development of a comprehensive out of hours traffic management provision to ensure effective management of the impact of major incidents and network failures at these times.</p> <p>(13) Support the principle of a having greater focus on enforcement.</p> <p>(14) Ask the Cabinet to instruct officers to explore a case for employing dedicated resource for enforcement across all Highways services/functions.</p> <p>(15) Ask the Director of Infrastructure Operations to ensure that a structured and robust approach to managing community engagement is in place.</p> <p>(c) Note that the Performance Scrutiny Committee have asked officers to report back to Performance Scrutiny in 6-9 months on the impact of a refreshed approach to community engagement, including evidence of the effectiveness of the Fix My Street Superusers pilot project.</p>		
<p><b>7. Staffing Report - Quarter 3 - 2018</b></p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Deputy Leader of the Council  <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2018/152  <i>Contact:</i> Sarah Currell, HR Manager – Business Systems Tel: 07867 467793</p>		

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<p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the report</p>	<p>Recommendations agreed.</p>	<p>SDR (S. Currell</p>
<p><b>8. Forward Plan and Future Business</b></p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: All</i> <i>Contact Officer: Sue Whitehead,</i> <i>Committee Services Manager Tel: 07393 001213</i></p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for forthcoming meetings.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>SW/AB</p>
<p><b>9. Exempt Item</b></p> <p>In the event that any Member or Officer wishes to discuss the information set out in Annex B to Agenda Item 10, the Cabinet will be invited to resolve to exclude the public for the consideration of that Annex by passing a resolution in relation to that item in the following terms:</p> <p><b><i>"that the public be excluded during the consideration of the Annex since it is likely that if they were present during that discussion there would be a disclosure of "exempt" information as described in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 and specified below the item in the Agenda".</i></b></p>	<p>Item 10 below was discussed in public session without detailed reference to the information contained on the annex, that remains exempt.</p>	
<p><b>10. Tank Farm, Chipping Norton - Development Site</b></p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: Transformation</i> <i>Forward Plan Ref: 2019/001</i></p>		

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<p><i>Contact: Andrew Fairweather, Asset &amp; Investment Team Manager Tel: 07825 790242/Karen Lister, Head of Estates &amp; Strategy Tel: 07875 441940</i></p> <p><i>The information contained in annex B is exempt in that it falls within the following prescribed category:</i></p> <p><i>3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information);</i></p> <p><i>and since it is considered that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, in that disclosure would undermine the process to the detriment of the Council's ability properly to discharge its fiduciary and other duties as a public authority.</i></p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to</p> <p>(a) authorise the Strategic Director of Communities in consultation with the Portfolio member to complete the purchase, for the value specified in Annex B, of Pearman's land, being 12.51 ha (30.91 acres) adjoining Tank Farm.</p> <p>(b) authorise the Director of Law &amp; Governance in conjunction with the Director of Capital Investment &amp; Delivery and Director of Finance to undertake appropriate due diligence and prepare the necessary legal agreement on the terms referred to in Annex B.</p>	<p>Recommendations agreed.</p>	<p>SDC (A. Fairweather / K. Lister)</p>

## ITEM 4 – QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Questions received from the following Members:

### 1. Question from Councillor Howson to Councillor Constance

“Has the county council any views on the idea of creating ‘Home Zone’ streets as defined by the Department for Transport in their design guidelines?”

#### Answer

“The Oxfordshire Street Design Guide, on which work is ongoing, will seek to provide guidance on the design of developments from master planning stage to detailed design. We envisage the guide will promote various types of design which are appropriate for different street types. Therefore, we expect to include guidance on the use of shared surfaces and space which may be more appropriate for streets from which properties are directly accessed and are lightly trafficked. Shared surfaces and space, encourage motorists to give way to other users of the street and encourage the use of the street for play and social interaction, which is what Home Zones seek to achieve. The aim of the design guide is to help create successful places where people want to live, work and play and to encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport. We hope to undertake stakeholder consultation over the summer months and conclude the project in autumn 2019. “

Supplementary: Councillor Howson highlighted a proposed development in his local area of a hotel without parking provision and noted that schemes such as Home Zones would enable areas to remain as communities. It was an additional tool in addition to Controlled Parking Zones (CPZs). Councillor Constance thanked Councillor Howson for the question and agreed that there were occasions when CPZs would be appropriate and other times when Home Zones could be used.

### 2. Question from Councillor Pressel to Councillor Hudspeth

“At our budget meeting, the Leader quite rightly said that ‘we must target our resources to provide vital services to those vulnerable adults and children who require them most’. In the light of this, please can you tell us exactly what criteria will be used for deciding how the new £1 million fund for youth services will be allocated? Can we assume that the data from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment will be used to inform our decisions?”

#### Answer

“I was delighted to propose and vote for a budget that was caring and compassionate as it:

Increased the funding on Adult Social Care by £8.8 million  
Increased the funding on Children’s Social Care by £9.0 million  
Increased the funding on Education by £3.0 million  
Provided £1 million for Youth provision across the county.

These measures will help the most vulnerable adults and children across Oxfordshire.

By contrast I noted that Cllr Pressel voted:

AGAINST increasing the funding on Adult Social Care by £8.8 million  
AGAINST increasing the funding on Children's Social Care by £9.0 million  
AGAINST increasing the funding on Education by £3.0 million  
AGAINST providing £1 million for Youth provision across the county

The criteria for allocating the £1 million for youth provision will ensure that all areas across the county will be able to benefit"

Supplementary: Responding to a comment that the question was unanswered and asking again what criteria would be used and whether the JSNA would be used Councillor Hudspeth, referred to his original answer.

### **3. Question from Councillor Phillips to Councillor Constance**

"The Growth Deal is funding a feasibility design project for a pedestrian crossing at the bottom of Collinwood Road in Risinghurst to be completed by the end of March 2019.

Will this work be completed on time and will it be made available to the local member? What is your assessment of the likelihood of funding becoming available to deliver this crossing?"

#### **Answer**

"The feasibility report and design for a pedestrian crossing at Collinwood Road is on schedule to report by the end of March 2019. The outputs from this work will be made available to the local member. Whilst feedback on these outputs would be welcome we do wish to advise that there is currently no plan to undertake wider consultation at the current time. At the current time there is no committed funding to undertake further design work and delivery of this scheme. Through undertaking the feasibility design work however, the council has advanced opportunities to bid for or negotiate funding opportunities for a scheme in the future"

Supplementary: Councillor Phillips welcomed the feasibility study but sought clarification whether following the report there would be a costed delivery plan available, ready to bid should funding become available. Councillor Constance replied that this was sometimes done but that she was not sure in this case as there was not the expectation that funding would be available. However, the scheme was one where the elements were common to many projects and she would not expect that it would take long to produce a costed plan should it be required. She declined a request to visit the site explaining that it was not possible to visit every site.