



***Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for
Environment (including Transport)***

***Thursday, 26 February 2015 at 10.30 am (or on the rising of
the Transport Advisory Panel, whichever is later)
Meeting Rooms 1 and 2, County Hall, New Road, Oxford***

Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on Friday 6 March 2015 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

Copies of the reports are circulated (by e-mail) to all members of the County Council.

These proceedings are open to the public

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Note: Date of next meeting: 19 March 2015

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Items for Decision

1. Declarations of Interest

2. 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 Member'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.

3. Petitions and Public Address

4. Proposed Changes to Parking - Burford (Pages 1 - 28)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/166

Contact: Owen Jenkins, Highways, Transport & Waste Service Manager Tel: (01865) 323304

Report by Director for Environment & Economy (**CMDE4**).

The report considers objections to a formal consultation on proposals to introduce or amend parking restrictions in several streets in parts of Burford.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed parking restrictions for Burford as advertised and amended as described in the report.

5. Proposed Zebra Crossing - A415 Kingston Bagpuize (Pages 29 - 32)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/066

Contact: Owen Jenkins, Highways, Transport & Waste Service Manager Tel: (01865) 323304

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Commercial & Delivery (**CMDE5**).

The report presents objections and other comments received in response to a

statutory consultation on a proposed new zebra crossing on the A415, Kingston Bagpuize. The proposal arises from the residential development on land adjacent to the A415, Witney Road, Kingston Bagpuize, comprising of 63 dwellings and a 45 unit extra care facility.

The Cabinet Member for the Environment is RECOMMENDED to not proceed with the implementation of the proposed Zebra crossing as advertised.

6. Proposed 50mph Speed Limit - A417 Wantage to West Hendred
(Pages 33 - 38)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/196

Contact: Owen Jenkins, Highways, Transport & Waste Service Manager Tel: (01865) 323304

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Commercial & Delivery (**CMDE6**).

The report considers objections received during a consultation to introduce a 50mph speed limit on the A417 Reading Road between Wantage & West Hendred in place of the current national speed limit. The proposal arises from a request from County Councillor Stewart Lilly, in response to local concerns over road safety. The accident record for the most recent 5-years (2010 to 2014), although not unduly high in relation to the traffic flows, includes 4 serious and 10 slight injury accidents.

The Cabinet Member for the Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the implementation of a 50mph speed limit on the A417 Reading Road between Wantage & West Hendred in place of the current national speed limit as advertised.

7. Request for Exemption from Tendering Regarding Potential Reallocation of LSTF Funds for OXONBIKE (Pages 39 - 42)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/195

Contact: Tom Flanagan, Localities, Policy & Programme Service Manager Tel: (01865) 815691

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Strategy & Infrastructure Planning (**CMDE7**).

The report seeks endorsement from the Cabinet Member for Environment for an exemption from procurement, to enable a proposal to extend the OXONBIKE cycle hire scheme beyond the current end date of June 2015 to February 2016. This would be funded from underspends elsewhere within the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) programme, totalling £36,713.

The OXONBIKE scheme has been very successful, despite the unexpected liquidation of the original operator in November 2013. The scheme was re-launched in June 2014 with a new operator, Hourbike, and membership numbers are approaching 400. OXONBIKE provides a low cost option for users to access

employment sites in Headington from Thornhill Park and Ride and between employment sites by hire cycle, with benefits of sustainability and personal health. The scheme meets Oxfordshire goals of supporting jobs and housing growth and economic vitality, supporting the transition to a low carbon economy and improving public health, safety and individual well-being.

OXONBIKE is about to expand to other employment sites. An initiative from Oxford Health has resulted in additional grant funding from LSTF Business Travel Grants. From April 2015, there will be an additional 22 docking stations and 16 cycles at 3 new sites - Chancellor Court (for Oxford Business Park), the Littlemore Mental Health Centre and the Warneford Hospital, where match funding from Oxford University has also been agreed. The expansion is dependent on the continuation of the original OXONBIKE scheme beyond June 2015.

The proposal has been discussed with Procurement and Legal colleagues who have approved the submission of the proposal to the Cabinet Member for endorsement. The Managing Director of Hourbike has confirmed that he is prepared to operate the scheme at the existing level of payment from OCC. There are no staffing issues to consider.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve an exemption from procurement to enable a proposed scheme extension of the OXONBIKE cycle hire scheme from the scheduled end date of June 2015 until February 2016.
