

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.)

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If you have a query please contact Sue Whitehead (Tel: 07393 001213; E-Mail: sue.whitehead@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

CABINET - TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2021

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RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED	DECISIONS	ACTION
1. Apologies for Absence	None.	CDAI (A. Newman)
2. Declarations of Interest	None.	CDAI (A. Newman)
3. Minutes To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 19 January 2021 (CA3) and to receive information arising from them.	Agreed.	
4. Questions from County Councillors	See attached Annex.	
5. Petitions and Public Address	Item 6 – Councillor Liz Brighthouse Councillor Glynis Phillips Item 7 – Councillor Emma Turnbull Item 8 – Councillor Sobia Afridi	
6. Business Management & Monitoring Report - December 2020 <i>Cabinet Member:</i> Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2020/126 <i>Contact:</i> Louise Tustian, Head of Insight & Corporate Programmes Tel: 07741 607452/Hannah Doney, Head of Corporate Finance Tel: 07584 174654		

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<p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to</p> <p>a) note this month's business management and monitoring report;</p> <p>b) approve virement set out in Annex C-2b relating to the Rough Sleeping; Drugs and Alcohol Grant Scheme and note the virements set out in Annex C-2c;</p> <p>c) approve the bad debt write-offs set out in Annex C;</p> <p>d) note the allocations of the Contain Outbreak Management Fund as set out in Annex C-5c.</p>	<p>Recommendations agreed.</p>	<p>DCDCOD (L Tustian), DF (H Doney)</p>
<p>7. Workforce Report and Staffing Data - Quarter 3 - October-December 2020</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Deputy Leader of the Council <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2020/127 <i>Contact:</i> Sarah Currell, HR Manager – Business Systems Tel: 07867 467793</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the report.</p>	<p>Recommendations agreed.</p>	<p>DHR (S Currell)</p>
<p>8. Recommissioning of Adult Homeless Pathway</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Adult Social Care & Public Health <i>Forward Plan Ref:</i> 2020/158 <i>Contact:</i> Sarah Roberts, Commissioning Manager Tel: 07720 805979</p> <p>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to agree the proposed approach to commissioning services to support homeless adults and adults at risk of homelessness in Oxfordshire.</p>	<p>Recommendations agreed.</p>	<p>DAHS (S Roberts)</p>

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<p>9. Forward Plan and Future Business</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member: All Contact Officer: Sue Whitehead, Principal Committee Officer Tel: 07393 001213</i></p> <p><i>The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for forthcoming meetings.</i></p>	Noted.	SW/AB

ITEM 4 – QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Questions	Answers
<p>1. COUNCILLOR TIM BEARDER</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>COUNCILLOR JUDITH HEATHCOAT, DEPUTY LEADER</p> <p>The information requested is being compiled and will be circulated to all councillors when available.</p>
<p>2. COUNCILLOR JOHN HOWSON</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>COUNCILLOR LORRAINE LINDSAY-GALE, CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION & CULTURAL SERVICES</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 & 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>



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<p>SUPPLEMENTARY</p> <p>Academy schools within Multi-Academy Trusts have no choice about paying a central services fee, often at the rate of 5%, whereas maintained schools can obtain services from any provider. What is your view as to whether or not this freedom of choice is a good reason for primary schools in Oxfordshire to remain as maintained schools and not convert to becoming an academy?</p>	<p>The benefits of being a maintained school are significant. I would like to consider my response and come back to you at a later stage.</p>
<p>3. COUNCILLOR LIAM WALKER</p> <p>Can the cabinet member for Environment & 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>SUPPLEMENTARY</p> <p>If after meeting with local groups it turns out that</p>	<p>COUNCILLOR YVONNE CONSTANCE, CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT (inc. TRANSPORT)</p> <p>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>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> <p>If I gave a view on that now I would be hampering myself when it comes to</p>



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a pause can be put to the experimental order, what would you gain by running the order until February?	making a decision. It will depend entirely on what the officers recommend.