

Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Young People's Services

Wednesday, 11 September 2024 at 2.00 pm Room 3 - County Hall, New Road, Oxford OX1 1ND

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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 Wednesday 18 September 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

Martin Reeves Chief Executive

September 2024

Committee Officer:

Note: Date of next meeting: 9 October 2024

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Items for Decision

1. Declarations of Interest

See guidance below.

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

Members of the public who wish to speak at this meeting can attend the meeting in person or 'virtually' through an online connection.

Requests to speak must be submitted by no later than 9am four working days before the meeting. Requests to speak should be sent to committeesdemocraticservices@oxfordshire.gov.uk .

If you are speaking 'virtually', you may submit a written statement of your presentation to ensure that if the technology fails, then your views can still be taken into account. A written copy of your statement can be provided no later than 9 am 2 working days before the meeting. Written submissions should be no longer than 1 A4 sheet.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 4)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 10 July 2024 to be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

5. Funding Contribution towards Joint Commissioned CAMHS Contract with BOB ICB (2024-25) (Pages 5 - 12)

Cabinet Member: Children, Education and Young People's Services

Forward Plan Ref: 2024/238

Contact: Caroline Kelly, Joint Lead Commissioner – Start Well (Caroline.Kelly@oxfordshire.gov.uk), Rosie Winyard, Joint Commissioning Manager – Start Well (Rosie.Winyard@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

Report by Director of Children's Services (CMDCEYPS5).

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to:

- a) Delegate authority to the Director for Children's Services, in consultation with the Head of Procurement and Contract Management, to award a funding contribution value £754,400 to Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, Berkshire West Integrated Care Board (BOB ICB) under the existing partnering agreement with BOB ICB towards payment for the contract for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) in Oxfordshire. This service contract value is £20million in 2024-2025 is managed by the BOB ICB and delivered by Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust (OHFT).
- b) Agree commencement of an immediate review process for this contract and future funding arrangements post April 2025, to ensure return on investment and improving outcomes for children and young people in Oxfordshire experiencing mental health problems and associated neuro diversity.

6. South Central Residential Framework (Pages 13 - 24)

Cabinet Member: Children, Education and Young People's Services

Forward Plan Ref: 2024/244

Contact: Alison Walker, Commissioning Officer - Start Well

(Alison.Walker@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

Report by Director of Children's Services (CMDCEYPS6).

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to:

a) Approve the purchase of individual and/or block placements, under the £500K threshold, for the children of Oxfordshire from the South-Central Residential Care Framework as a Consortium member.

7. SHAP Homelessness Project Withdrawal (Pages 25 - 26)

Cabinet Member: Children, Education and Young People's Services

Forward Plan Ref: 2024/268

Contact: Caroline Kelly, Lead Commissioner - Live Well

(Caroline.Kelly@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

Report by Director of Children's Services (CMDCEYPS7).

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to:

a) Acknowledge the Council's position on the application to the Department of Levelling Up Housing and Communities (DLUHC) for the Supported Housing Accommodation Programme (SHAP) for Young People aged 18-

25 at Risk of Homelessness, and reasons for withdrawing the service following the key decision paper on 10th July 2024.

Councillors declaring interests

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed 'Declarations of Interest' or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your employment; sponsorship (i.e. payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licenses for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest. If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member 'must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself' and that 'you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned'.

Members Code - Other registrable interests

Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to the financial interest or wellbeing of one of your other registerable interests then you must declare an interest. You must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and you must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Wellbeing can be described as a condition of contentedness, healthiness and happiness; anything that could be said to affect a person's quality of life, either positively or negatively, is likely to affect their wellbeing.

Other registrable interests include:

a) Any unpaid directorships

- b) Any body of which you are a member or are in a position of general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority.
- c) Any body (i) exercising functions of a public nature (ii) directed to charitable purposes or (iii) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management.

Members Code – Non-registrable interests

Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to your financial interest or wellbeing (and does not fall under disclosable pecuniary interests), or the financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate, you must declare the interest.

Where a matter arises at a meeting which affects your own financial interest or wellbeing, a financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate or a financial interest or wellbeing of a body included under other registrable interests, then you must declare the interest.

In order to determine whether you can remain in the meeting after disclosing your interest the following test should be applied:

Where a matter affects the financial interest or well-being:

- a) to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
- a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest.

You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation.