

COUNTY COUNCIL – 10 JULY 2012

REPORT OF THE CABINET

Cabinet Member: Deputy Leader

1. Oxfordshire Rail Strategy and Delivery Plan

(Cabinet, 22 May 2012)

Cabinet considered a report on the outcome of consultation on the draft Rail Strategy and that identified and proposed changes as a result of the comments received.

Cabinet noted the outcome of the public and stakeholder consultation and approved the Oxfordshire Rail Strategy & Delivery Plan for publication

2. Establishment Review – May 2012

(Cabinet, 22 May 2012)

Cabinet noted a report that gave an update on activity since 31 March 2011. It gave details of the agreed establishment figure at 31 March 2012 in terms of Full Time Equivalents, together with the staffing position at 31 March 2012. In addition, the report provided information on vacancies and the cost of posts being covered by agency staff.

3. Corporate Plan Performance and Risk Management for the fourth Quarter 2011

(Cabinet, 19 June 2012)

The Cabinet noted a report setting out progress made toward the Corporate Plan priorities for the period between January and March 2012.

Cabinet Member: Children & the Voluntary Sector

4. Big Society Fund – Allocation of Wave 4 Funding: Outstanding Bids

(Cabinet Member, 22 May 2012)

The Cabinet Member considered and agreed the following two bids received in the final fourth 'wave' of the 2011/12 Fund on which decisions were outstanding:

- New Beginning for young people in Henley - £12,556
- Building the Community - Stadhampton with Chiselhampton Parochial Church Council - £50,000 contingent on other funding required for the project being raised; and subject to a review on progress to the Cabinet Member for Children & the Voluntary Sector in six months.

Cabinet Member: Finance & Police

5. Revenue and Capital Outturn 2011/12 and Requests for Carry Forwards

(Cabinet, 19 June 2012)

Cabinet considered a report that set out the revenue and capital outturn for 2011/12 and showed how actual expenditure and income for the year compared to the budgeted position. It also included proposals for carry forwards from 2011/12 to 2012/13.

Cabinet noted that the adjusted year end revenue position for 2011/12 is a variation of -£8.410m. Variations totalling -£0.260m have been returned to balances as they are outside the control of Directorates.

They noted that the total capital programme expenditure for 2011/12 was £69.8m. The variation between the original programme and the final outturn was -£8.2m or -10%. Excluding schools local spend the variation on the total directorate programmes was -£7.8m (-11%). However the overall variation once adjusted to take into account the impact of changes that have arisen due to factors that do not reflect the performance of the programme (e.g. technical accounting changes and value for money decisions). And excluding local spend by schools reduces to -£4.8m (-7%). This represents 93% use of resources compared to the original capital programme.

Cabinet approved carry-forwards and virements, and agreed that part of the surplus on the On-Street Parking Account at the end of the 2011/12 financial year be carried forward in the account to the 2012/13 financial year.

Cabinet also **RECOMMENDED** Council to approve virements greater than £0.5m for Children, Education & Families, Social & Community Services and Environment & Economy Directorates. This is reported elsewhere on the agenda.

6. 2011/12 Financial Monitoring & Business Strategy Delivery Report April 2012

(Cabinet, 19 June 2012)

Cabinet considered the first in a series of regular reports for 2012/13 that covered the period to the end of April 2012 for both revenue and capital budgets. The report focused on significant issues around the on-going delivery of the Directorate Business Strategies. These were approved by Council in February 2011 and subsequently reviewed as part of the 2012/13 Service & Resource Planning process.

Cabinet noted the report, approved virements and the creation of a new reserve for Thriving Families and noted the updated Treasury Management lending list.