



***Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Property,
Cultural & Community Services***

Monday, 11 July 2016 at 12.00 pm

Meeting Room 3, 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 Tuesday 19 July 2016 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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter G. Clark".

Peter G. Clark
County Director

June 2016

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Note: Date of next meeting: 5 September 2016

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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. Revised Asset Transfer Policy (Pages 1 - 10)

Forward Plan Ref: 2016/071

Contact: Adrian Rowlands, Service Manager for Property & Facilities Tel: (01865) 323678

Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy – Commercial & Delivery (**CMDPCCS4**).

The Councils Asset Transfer Policy has been reviewed in light of lessons learnt regarding the last wave of asset transfers arising under Big Society and in readiness for the community initiatives coming forward under the CEF transformation programme. The main focus has been:

1. Making it clear that any subsidy, other than via community rent, shall be through direct grant funding rather than indirect premises support due to:
 - a. Transparency regarding levels of subsidy
 - b. Community groups are motivated to reduce their premises costs
 - c. Subsidy can be reduced over time where appropriate

2. That subletting of premises at rates higher than those applied under the head lease are controlled to ensure:
 - a. Community groups are not demotivated from making best use of assets
 - b. Shared income can be gained by OCC where appropriate.

The Cabinet Member for Property, Cultural and Community Services is RECOMMENDED to approve the revised Asset Transfer Policy.