

Cabinet Tuesday, 15 October 2024

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4. Questions from County Councillors (Pages 1 - 2)

Question and answer attached.

5. Petitions and Public Address

There have been no requests received.

6. Appointments

There are no appointments to report to this meeting.

15. Forward Plan and Future Business (Pages 3 - 4)

Forward Plan update attached.



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ITEM 4 - QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Questions are listed in the order in which they were received. Should any questioner not have received an answer in that time, a written answer will be provided.

1. COUNCILLOR CHARLIE HICKS

Does the Cabinet Member believe that Oxfordshire County Council should be adopting the Welsh Government's approach to road investment decisions, applying the same purposes and conditions as set out in the report, "The Future of Road Investment in Wales"? If so, does he believe that it would be right for the County Council, in the upcoming budget, to fund road schemes that are currently in the Housing & Growth Deal list, but which will miss the March 2025 spending deadline, especially where these schemes have not been tested on meeting, or proven to meet, the above purposes and/or criteria for investment?

COUNCILLOR PETE SUDBURY, DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS

Yes – the Welsh Government's approach is one of the criteria which Oxfordshire County Council will use to assess road investment decisions.

For those schemes currently in the Housing & Growth Deal list which will not complete by the March 2025 spending deadline, these schemes are all well-developed through the Housing & Growth Deal and ready to deliver, giving us confidence in any investment decisions.

These are schemes which have long been recognised as being priority improvements to both their local and the overall transport network, leading to their inclusion in the Housing & Growth Deal list.

Some of these schemes provide additional public realm benefits, for example by removing traffic from Town or Village centres and or improving cycling and walking routes.

Importantly, the new housing associated with these schemes is already approved and coming forward - and in some cases is already in place – so it is, therefore, both right and sensible for OCC to invest in seeing these schemes completed and so providing the necessary infrastructure which both new and existing residents deserve.

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ITEM 15 - FORWARD PLAN AND FUTURE BUSINESS

Members are asked to note the following changes to the Forward Plan:

New items

Cabinet Member / Decision by

Cabinet Member for SEND Improvement Cabinet	Cabinet Response to Council Motion on SEND Services by Councillor Povolotsky (Ref: 2024/324) To consider how Cabinet will respond to the Council motion carried at the meeting on 10 September	19 November 2024	New item
Cabinet Member for Transport Management Cabinet Member	St Clement's, Oxford - Bus Lane (Ref: 2024/318) Conversion from Experimental Traffic Regulation Order to Traffic Regulation Order for westbound bus lane on St Clements Street and Headington Hill, and associated measures	14 November 2024	New Item
Cabinet Member for Transport Management Cabinet Member	Tetsworth: 20mph Speed Limits (Ref: 2024/320) To seek approval of a proposed 20mph speed limit.	14 November 2024	New Item
Cabinet Member for Public Health, Inequalities and Community Safety Cabinet Member	Fire Service Industrial Action Contingency (Ref: 2024/323) Thames Valley collaborative approach to ensure a contingency provision of fire and rescue service staff are provided during periods of industrial action, extreme weather or other widespread emergency affecting local crewing.	12 November 2024	New Item

