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RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED	DECISIONS	ACTION
1. Apologies for Absence	Councillor Hibbert Biles	HLC (R. Dunn)
2. Declarations of Interest	None.	
3. Minutes		
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2014 ( <b>CA3</b> ) and to receive information arising from them.	Agreed and signed.	SW
4. Questions from County Councillors	See attached annex	
5. Petitions and Public Address	Item 6 – Councillor Nick Hards Item 7 – Councillor John Sanders, Councillor Nick Hards, Councillor Liz Brighouse Item 8 – Councillor John Christie Item 9 – Mr Richard Burden, Oxfordshire Carehomes Association Item 10 – Councillor Liz Brighouse	
6. 2013/14 Financial Monitoring & Business Strategy Delivery Report - February 2014  Cabinet Member: Finance Forward Plan Ref: 2013/174		
Contact: Stephanie Skivington, Corporate Finance Manager Tel: (01865) 323995		
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:  (a) note the report;	Recommendations agreed.	CFO (K. Wilcox)/HL C (D. Miller)

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(b) (c) (d) (e) (f) (g) (h)	note the 2013/14 virements set out in Annex 2d; approve the 2014/15 virement requests set out in Annex 8; and RECOMMEND Council to approve the requests to move additional non — Pool Mental Health expenditure into the Pool and to approve the use of £2.000m of the Public Health Grant Funding to support the Capital Programme in 2014/15 as set out in paragraph 49 and Annex 8; approve the debt write off set out in paragraph 53; note the updated Treasury Management lending list at Annex 4; note the changes to the Capital Programme set out in Annex 7c; approve the changes to Fees & Charges and the Contributions in Adult Social Care Policy as set out in Annex 9.		
7. City Deal - Overview & Delivery of Transport Schemes  Cabinet Member: Deputy Leader and Environment Forward Plan Ref: 2014/049 Contact: Tom Flanagan, Service Manager – Planning Environment & Transport Policy Tel: (01865) 815691			
The (a)	Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to  approve the proposed schemes for inclusion into the Capital Programme, to note the progress of the business case for each scheme and to note that the detailed business cases will be submitted for approval, in accordance with the	Recommendations agreed	DEE (T. Flanagan)

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financial procedure rules; and		
(b) approve the release of £1.5m project development budget for the Access to Enterprise Zone project under stage 0b of the capital governance procedures.		
8. Externalisation of Back Office/School Facing Services		
Cabinet Member: Deputy Leader Forward Plan Ref: 2013/169 Contact: Graham Shaw, Deputy Director – OCS Tel: (01865) 797228/Frances Craven, Deputy Director – Education & Early Intervention Tel: (01865) 815125		
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:	Recommendations agreed.	DEE (G. Shaw)/ DCS (F. Craven)
<ul> <li>(a) Suspend the current procurement process for the Outsource of Finance and HR back-office services and the Joint Venture for School Improvement and related support services for schools (with the exception of Outdoor Education Centres);</li> <li>(b) Commission a full business case for Oxfordshire with a view to joining the Hampshire IBC partnership and creation of a new partnership with Hampshire for Education services.</li> </ul>		
9. Care Home Fees 2014		
Cabinet Member: Adult Social Care Forward Plan Ref: 2014/010 Contact: Andrew Colling, Quality & Contracts Manager Tel: (01865) 323682		
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED that in view of the information in the report:	Recommendations agreed.	DSCS (A. Colling)

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(a) for 20	14/15 to:		
	ise our Target banding Rates April 2014 and		
(i).	Increase the Target Banding rate for the Residential- Extensive Specialist Category to £458 per week for new placements.		
(ii).	Increase all existing weekly Residential payment rates that are currently paid below £452 per week to £458 per week		
(iii).	Increase the Nursing- Extensive Target Banding Rate to £568 per week		
(iv).	Increase all existing weekly Nursing Extensive and Substantial rates that are currently below £560 per week to £568 per week.		
(v).	Increase the Nursing- Specialist Target Banding Rate to £639 per week		
(vi).	Increase the above rates to reflect the increase in Funded Nursing Care once this is announced later in April 2014.		
(vii).	Continue to use these rates as a guide to secure a care home placement at a funding level as close to the Target Banding Rate as possible.		
(viii).	The above to apply from April 2014 and for care home placements in Oxfordshire.		
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increase in the Target Banding Rate.		
10. Cabinet Business Monitoring Report for Quarter 3		
Cabinet Member: Deputy Leader Forward Plan Ref: 2013/175 Contact: Maggie Scott, Acting Head of Policy Tel: (01865) 816081		
Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note and discuss the performance reported in the dashboards.	Recommendation agreed.	C. Exec (M. Scott/A. Yates)
11. Delegated Powers of the Chief Executive - April 2014	Noted.	
12. Forward Plan and Future Business		
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for forthcoming meetings.	Noted.	



**ANNEX** 

Questions received from the following Members:

#### From Councillor Jean Fooks to Councillor Rose

"It is good that we have a screen in the reception area giving information about meetings in County Hall. However, it would be much more useful if it listed meetings in time order, giving the room involved, rather than in room order as at present. Please can you change this to help people find the meeting they want to attend?"

#### **Answer**

"I thank the Councillor for this enquiry and take on board the request for a more user friendly screen presentation. Once this is established I will be consulting the group leaders before going forward."

#### From Councillor Nick Hards to Councillor Heathcoat

"How helpful or otherwise is the delivery of personal budgets through self-directed support in Oxfordshire?"

#### **Answer**

- "We strongly support the use of personal budgets as a way of allowing people more choice and control over their care.
- Oxfordshire performs extremely well on the numbers of people receiving self-directed support.
  - In the national outcome framework for adult social care for 12/13, 71% of adults, older people and carers receiving community based services are receiving self-directed support compared to 56.2% nationally.
  - 45.5% of adults, older people and carers receiving community based services are receiving a direct payment, the highest percentage in the country and significantly higher than the national average of 16.8%.
- Each year we take part in a national survey of people who use social care. Last year over 500 people in Oxfordshire responded to the survey.
  - o 93.7% said they were satisfied with the service they got (compared to 90.4% nationally).
  - 62.7% said they were very satisfied (compared to 64.1% nationally)
- There was a specific evaluation of people in Oxfordshire receiving a direct payment at the end of 2012.
  - People felt they had increased choice and control, and they found support networks of other people who receive direct payments really helpful.
  - They also highlighted the need to improve the customer journey from assessment to management of direct payments, and to provide more information and training around how to manage direct payments.
- Since this survey we have done a great deal of work to improve information and advice, including the introduction of community information networks, and the Adult Services Improvement Programme will simplify the process of accessing and managing personal budgets and direct payments further."

#### From Councillor Nick Hards to Councillor Rose

"I see that a new approval and adoption scheme is being put in place for sustainable drainage systems on new developments (Annex 9 on page 53 of the Cabinet papers). How hopeful are you that this scheme will reduce the incidence of flash flooding associated with new developments in the county?"

#### **Answer**

"Sustainable Drainage (SUDS) is being promoted on all new developments as a method of restricting the discharge from the development to the green field run off rate only, by doing this any new development is not increasing the flooding risk downstream.

The methods which can be used are soakaways, swales, porous pavements underground storage, retention ponds and detention ponds, all these methods follow the Government recommendations and guidelines. All these methods cleanse the water which improves water quality and biodiversity.

At the present time intense storms or prolonged rainfall events that we are experiencing are surcharging our existing drainage systems and causing flooding, the only cost effective way of holding and storing rainfall or floods is by sustainable methods. Whilst this will reduce the incidence of flash flooding it will not prevent it entirely.

In 2007 we had major flooding in Oxfordshire, within these flooded areas, where we had porous pavements flooding did not occur. The flood flows were stored and discharged slowly under the pavement surfaces.

Oxfordshire are looked on as one of the leading Authorities in promoting and adopting SUDS systems within the Country."

#### From Councillor Glynis Phillips\* to Councillor Hibbert Biles

'We have been promised an improved integrated sexual health service bringing together Contraception & Sexual Health services with Genito-Urinary Medicine. There is universal support for an integrated service but one obvious requirement is that these services are easily accessible in community settings. The service for Oxford City which serves the whole county is now on the Churchill Hospital site which is difficult to get to by public transport. Can you advise when a genuine community based service will be provided in Oxford City and what are the lessons that have been learned from this experience?'

#### Answer

"The new provider was keen to continue to deliver services from the site; unfortunately they have reported that this is not possible as the site will not be made available to them. Since OUHT were informed that the current site was not available to them they have been working to identify and secure an appropriate site in East Oxford to replace the Raglan House clinic. We are advised that OUHT have identified a suitable location, when the lease is secured an announcement will be made."

\* Councillors name corrected at the meeting.