### ...Decisions... Decisions...



These notes indicate the decisions taken at this meeting and the officers responsible for taking the agreed action. For background documentation please refer to the agenda and supporting papers available on the Council's web site (<a href="www.oxfordshire.gov.uk">www.oxfordshire.gov.uk</a>.)

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1. Minutes		
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21 May 2019 ( <b>CC1</b> ) and to receive information arising from them.	The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 May 2019 were approved and signed subject to the addition of the following text to Minute 32/19.	DLG (DM)
	"Councillor Handley expressed his concern that the Joint Fire Consultative Committee had not met within the last 4 years."	
2. Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Fenton and Walker.	DLG (A. Newman)
3. Declarations of Interest		
Members are reminded that they must declare their interests orally at the meeting and specify (a) the nature of the interest and (b) which items on the agenda are the relevant items. This applies also to items where members have interests by virtue of their membership of a district council in Oxfordshire.	There were none.	
4. Official Communications	Council paid tribute and held a minutes' silence in memory of Former County Councillor Wendy Humphries.	All to note
	The Chairman invited Members of the Council to the following events:	
	Wednesday 10 July 2019 – Buddies at Blenheim,	
	Friday 12 July 2019 – Oxfordshire	

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	County Music Service Music Gala Concert, Dorchester Abbey;	
	Friday 19 July 2019 – Charity Golf Event, Bicester Hotel Golf and Spa.	
	For tickets and further information please contact the Chairman's PA, Neil Clayton.	
5. Appointments		
To make any changes to the membership of the Cabinet, scrutiny and other committees on the nomination of political	Council noted the following appointments:	DLG (S. Whitehead)
groups.	JOINT SHARED SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE	
	Councillors Ian Hudspeth, Ted Fenton, Jeannette Matelot, Liz Brighouse and Liz Leffman.	
6. Petitions and Public Address	Council received the following Petitions and Public Address:	
	Petitions	
	Ms Zuzana Hrdlickova and Ms Nicola Shorter presented a Petition of 379 Signatures requesting the Council to improve pedestrian safety and reduce traffic speeds in the Bartholomew and Littlemore Road area.	SDC (J. Larkcom)
	Public Address	
	Mr Adrian Townsend spoke in support of Agenda Item 12;	
	Ms Jabu Nala-Hartley, Chairman of Living Wage Campaign and Mr Mark Ladbrook, Living Wage Campaign, spoke in support of Agenda Item 14;	
7. Questions with Notice from Members of the Public	There were none.	

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8. Questions with Notice from Members of the Council	17 questions with notice were asked. Details of the questions and answers and the supplementary questions and answers (where asked) are set out in Annex 1 to the Minutes.	
	In relation to question 7 from Councillor Bartington to Councillor Constance, Councillor Constance invited members to apply to be on the Environmental CAG which would be set up in July to look at Environmental issues.	SDC (J. Larkcom)
	In relation to Question 11 (Question from Councillor Buckley to Councillor Lindsay-Gale) Councillor Lindsay-Gale gave an undertaking to provide a written answer detailing how many children with SEN in the last 12 months have had to be accommodated in out of county schools or private schools within the County.	DCS (K. Mace)
	In relation to Question 12 (Question from Councillor Buckley to Councillor Constance) Councillor Constance gave an undertaking that the newly appointed Environmental & Waste Officer would look at reducing the amount of waste exported to Asian countries.	SDC (J. Larkcom)
	In relation to Question 14 (Question from Councillor Pressel to Councillor Constance) Councillor Constance gave an undertaking to ask officers to identify at where extra car club spaces could be provided, in consultation with local members.	SDC (J. Larkcom)

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9. Senior Joint Leadership Roles Since the implementation of the joint	Councillor Neville Harris moved and	
working partnership between Oxfordshire County Council and Cherwell District Council a series of senior joint roles have been implemented on a combination of permanent and interim arrangements. These are currently expected to deliver around 600k of savings per annum shared between the two organisations. There is a clear ambition for CDC and OCC to	Councillor Stephan Gawrysiak seconded a procedural motion that the report be referred to the Audit & Governance Committee for further consideration.  The motion was put to the vote and was lost by 31 votes to 29.	
continue to develop the partnership for several reasons:	Councillor Brighouse moved and Councillor Fawcett seconded a procedural motion to vote on	
To explore the potential of enhanced two tier working to improve the 'joining up' of services, improving the experience of service users	recommendations (a) and (b) set out in the report and on the face of the Agenda separately.	DI C
<ul> <li>To explore the benefits of enhanced two tier working to improve locality working</li> <li>To support the financial sustainability</li> </ul>	The motion was not agreed by the mover of the substantive motion and therefore fell.	DLG DF
of both organisations (i.e. sharing management roles where appropriate reduces the costs of management overhead)	The substantive motion was carried by 31 votes to 30.	
To align and develop approaches to major strategic opportunities such as the growth deal.  The align approaches to approaches to major strategic opportunities such as the growth deal.		
To align service delivery in areas such as commissioning, housing and social services, to manage demand and improve customer access.		
The recent Peer Challenge at Oxfordshire County Council made a clear recommendation to stabilise the senior management arrangements by completing the review of the joint working partnership between OCC and CDC. Likewise, CDC needs to clarify and stabilise senior management arrangements as it winds down its joint working arrangements with SNC. The report (TO FOLLOW) recommends approval of two senior officer roles.		

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10. Report of the Cabinet		
Report of the Cabinet Meetings held on 14 May 2019 and 18 June 2019 ( <b>CC10</b> ).	Council received the report of the Cabinet.	
	In relation to paragraph 5 (Question from Councillor Johnston to Councillor Constance) Councillor Constance gave an assurance that the work on the Oxford Euro 6 low emissions zones for buses would be fed into the Local Transport Plan 5.	SDC (J. Larkcom)
	In relation to paragraph 6 of the report (Question from Councillor Roz Smith to Councillor Constance) Councillor Constance agreed to ensure that the concept of further joint work and passing some of the County's network team to the city so that the design of temporary road work signage was correct was put on the 'to do' list.	SDC (J. Larkcom)
	In relation to paragraph 7 of the report (Question from Councillor Phillips to Councillor Bartholomew) Councillor Bartholomew gave an undertaking to ask the Environmental CAG to look at how the council's utility bills could be reduced in all council buildings.	SDC (J. Larkcom)
11. Motion from Councillor Suzanne Bartington		
"Recycling delivers multiple environmental and health benefits, including conservation of natural capital, reduction in energy consumption and mitigation of pollutant emissions. The critical role of recycling for sustainable development, is reflected in ambitious targets within the Government 25-Year Environment Plan and Resources and Waste Strategy (Defra, 2018).	The amendment by Councillor Paul Buckley set out in the Schedule of business, Annex 1 was lost by 45 votes to 13,  The substantive motion was agreed unanimously (59 votes to 0).	
In 2017/18, Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) was named the best performing		

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county council disposal authority in England for household waste recycling, with an overall rate of over 57%. This success reflects OCC's commitment to partnership working with the City and District Councils to continuously improve waste services and protect our natural environment.		
However, performance could be further improved, through coordinated action to identify areas for improvement, disseminate best practice and strive for optimal performance. These efforts would aim to improve overall rates and reduce geographical variation across Oxfordshire:		
<ul> <li>SODC 63%</li> <li>Vale of White Horse 60.4%</li> <li>WODC 59.6%</li> <li>Cherwell 55.6%</li> <li>Oxford City 50.8%</li> </ul>		
This Council calls on the Cabinet Member for Environment to instigate a programme to achieve this goal through four key objectives:		SDC (J. Larkcom)
(a) Implement closer partnership working between constituent authorities, sharing best practice and working collaboratively to identify barriers and facilitators for improvement.		
(b) Consider the benefits and any disadvantages of standardisation of collection, waste containers, and quality monitoring.		
(c) Explore measures to minimise the environmental impacts of domestic waste.		
(d) Encourage public engagement initiatives such as clearer labelling to raise awareness and promote behavioural change among residents."		

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14. Motion From Councillor Deborah McIlveen		
"Living costs in Oxfordshire are high and pay is relatively low. High housing costs mean that employers in the public and private sectors struggle to recruit and retain staff. There are vacancies in all areas of the public sector and this is affecting service delivery. Housing costs in Oxfordshire have risen at a similar rate to those in London where workers in the Public Sector are paid a London Living Wage of £10.55 per hour.	The time being after 3.30 pm, this motion was considered dropped in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.1.	
Paying a Local Living Wage will enable people to take up job opportunities in Oxfordshire and according to employers would		
improve staff's quality of work;		

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<ul> <li>decrease Absenteeism;</li> <li>with better retention lower human resources costs.</li> </ul>		
It enables people to live on their wages and reduces in work benefits via Universal Credit. Paying the local Living Wage increases investment in the local economy.		
Oxfordshire County Council asks the Cabinet to set up a working group with health partners and the Oxfordshire System Workforce Group to investigate implementation of a Living Wage in Oxfordshire."		

ANNEX