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The decisions take effect at the time and date specified, unless before that time written notice is given in accordance with the Council's Scrutiny Procedure Rules requiring the decision to be called in for review by the relevant Scrutiny Committee.

If you have a query please contact Colm Ó Caomhánaigh (Tel: 07393 001096; E-Mail: colm.ocaomhanaigh@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

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RE	RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED DECISIONS A				
1.	Apologies for Absence	None	DLG (A Newman)		
2.	Declarations of Interest	None	DLG (A Newman)		
held	Minutes approve the minutes of the meeting on 21 June 2022 (CA3) and to receive mation arising from them.	The minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2022 were approved with the following amendments: a) Page 15, first paragraph, add: "His reasons for abstaining were that he did not believe that the Council should be putting £30m of its own capital into the scheme. It should be put into climate adaptation. He was also not sure that the Council would have the confidence to be as ruthless as it needed to be to get the level of modal shift." b) Corrections to the spelling of Councillor Miller's surname.	DLG (C Ó Caomhánai gh)		
4.	Questions from County Councillors	See Annex			
5.	Petitions and Public Address	A petition was received from David Henwood with regard to the Cowley LTN.			
		The Chair agreed to the following requests to speak:			

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	6. Cowley LTN Experimental TRO James Schumann Richard Parnham Duncan Parkes Matthew Webb City Cllr Louise Upton City Cllr Ajaz Rehman Ella Sinclair City Cllr Lubna Arshad Kamruz Zaman Hannah Cole Cllr Linda Smith Danny Yee Bashir Ahmed Robin Tucker Hazel Dawe Michael Buick Shams Uddin Chris Heron Anna Railton Sarah Lockyer Scott Urban City Cllr Saj Malik Judith Harley Sadiea Mustafa-Awan Qasim Mohammed Amir Khan Tina Reid Michael Evans Salman Naqvi Patrick Vale Jenny Saunders John Skinner Anne Stares Cllr Charlie Hicks Cllr Dan Levy Cllr Brad Baines	
	7. Reports from Scrutiny Committees Climate Reduction Targets: Cllr Yvonne Constance LTCP: Cllr Charlie Hicks Equality Diversity & Inclusion: Cllr Michael O'Connor	

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		Voluntary & Community Sector Strategy: Cllr lan Corkin Digital Inclusion Strategy: Cllr lan Corkin		
		9. Capital Programme City Cllr Katherine Miles Robin Tucker		
		17. Didcot Garden Town HIF Cllr Charlie Hicks		
6.	Cowley LTN Experimental TRO			
Forwa Conta	net Member: Highway Management ard Plan Ref: 2022/051 act: Naomi Barnes, Project Manager, 4528681			
The C	Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:	An amendment was agreed as follows:	CDEP (I Barnes)	N
а)	Incorporate the provisions of the current Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders (ETRO) into a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for the Church Cowley, Florence Park and Temple Cowley areas that are Low Traffic Neighbourhoods (LTNs).	In Supplementary Documents for Item 6 Part 2, Annex 7, page 126 section headed "Religion or belief" In column 4, delete word "crematorium" and replace with "burial ground"	James	
b)	Undertake further community and stakeholder engagement in order to further refine and improve the scheme, with any changes to be implemented by Spring 2023.	In column 5, delete entirely the paragraph "Liaise with Crematorium regarding later hours and portable lighting in the winter could allow ceremonies to be completed".		
c)	Undertake a process of monitoring and reviewing all elements of the scheme, and to bring forward proposals for changes through the consultation process which may include (but not necessarily be limited to): replacing some hard closures with ANPR-controlled traffic	Recommendations agreed.		

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filters; reviewing the exact location of some installations within a road; replacing others with elements such as parklets order to deliver public realm improvements			
7. Reports from Scrutiny Committees	Cabinet noted the five reports and will respond.	DLG (C Ó Caomhánai gh)	
The following reports are presented from scrutiny committees:	m		
 Report of the Carbon Reduction Targets Working Group – Commissioned by the Place Overview & Scrutiny Committee (CA7a) 			
 Report of the Place Overview & Scrutiny Committee: Scrutiny of Local Transport and Connectivity Plan (CA7b) 	y		
 Recommendations of the Performance & Corporate Service Overview & Scrutiny Committee 2022/23 Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan (CA7c) 			
Voluntary Sector Strategy – Rep of the People Overview & Scrutin Committee (CA7d)			
Digital Inclusion Strategy – Report of the People Overview & Scrutin Committee (CA7e)			
8. Business Management & Monitoring Report - May 2022			
Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Finance Forward Plan Ref: 2022/016 Contact: Louise Tustian, Head of Insigh	nt &		

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Corporate Programmes Tel: 07741 607452/Kathy Wilcox, Head of Financial Strategy Tel: 07788 302163			
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to	Recommendations agreed	CDCODR (L Tustian) / DF (K	
 a) note the report. b) agree the virements set out in Annex B-2a c) note the virements and supplementary estimate set out in Annex B-2b and B-2c d) agree the proposed update to the Review of Charges for 2022/23 as set out in paragraphs 94 and 95 of Annex B. e) note the additional £5.9m Business Rate funding set out in Annex B paragraph 130 and agree that this should be added to the Business Rates Reserve pending agreement about the use of this funding. 		Wilcox)	
9. Capital Programme Update and Monitoring Report - May 2022 Cabinet Member: Finance Forward Plan Ref: 2022/015 Contact: Kathy Wilcox, Head of Financial Strategy Tel: 07788 302163 The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to: Re-profiling a) Agree the re-profiling of HIF1, HIF2, A40 and the Banbury & Bicester programmes (paragraphs 19,20) Grant funding b) Agree the inclusion in the Capital Programme of the following grant funding updates and allocation:	Recommendations agreed	DF (K Wilcox)	

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<u>Capi</u>	High Needs Provision Capital Allocations for 2022/23 and 2023/24 of £15.7m to the basic need programme to address SEN provision (Paragraph 61), £2.2m Sustainable Warmth Fund for Home Upgrade grant (Paragraph 70), Highways Structural Maintenance Programme between 2022/23 and 2024/25 of £25.2m towards the annual maintenance programmes (Paragraph 65) Ital Programme Governance and prioritisation Endorse the changes to Capital Programme governance, noting the enhanced role of Cabinet and rollout of changes to strengthen internal structures and procedures. (paragraph 78)			
d)	and annex 3, structure chart). Agree to a full review of the Capital Programme, in light of pressures and rising inflation costs (paragraph 80)			
e)	Agree that the Housing & Growth Deal should be reported at project level rather than programme level, as set out in paragraph 32.			
f)	Endorse the latest capital monitoring position for 2022/23 set out in Annex 1, noting the return of £1.7m corporate funds from the Defect Liability Programme.			

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g)	Approve the updated Capital Programme at Annex 2 incorporating the changes set out in this report.			
10.	Oxfordshire-Cherwell Partnership Transition Plan			
Forwa Conta	net Member: Leader ord Plan Ref: 2022/071 oct: Robin Rogers, Programme or, robin.rogers@oxfordshire.gov.uk			
Cabin	et is RECOMMENDED to:	Recommendations agreed	CDCODR (R Rogers)	
а)	Note the conclusions of the Joint Shared Services and Personnel Committee (JSSP) as set out in Table 1;			
b)	Agree the transition arrangements as set out in Table 1;			
c)	Note the financial implications as set out in Annex A, which are incorporated in the Business Management & Monitoring Report for 2022/23 elsewhere on this agenda;			
d)	Note that the on-going financial impact will be addressed as part of the Budget and Business Planning process for 2023/24;			
е)	Delegate to the Interim Chief Executive powers to operate, terminate, extend or vary the new arrangements with Cherwell District Council where they relate to executive functions.			
11.	Oxfordshire Strategic Rail Freight Interchange			

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Cabinet Member: Travel & Development Strategy Forward Plan Ref: 2021/164 Contact: Joy White, Principal Transport Planner Tel: 07554 103522			
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to approve Oxfordshire County Council's response to a non-statutory public consultation on the proposals for the Oxfordshire Strategic Rail Freight Interchange.	Recommendations agreed	CDEP (J White)	
12. Digital Inclusion Strategy			
Cabinet Member: Corporate Services Forward Plan Ref: 2022/021 Contact: Elena Grant, Policy Officer Tel: 07825 403173			
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to	Report from the scrutiny committee noted.	CDCODR (E Grant)	
a) Approve the OCC Digital Inclusion Strategy.	Recommendations agreed.		
b) Approve the annual review by Cabinet and People Overview & Scrutiny Committee of our progress against the commitments set out in the strategy.			
c) Approve the Oxfordshire Digital Inclusion Charter.			
13. Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan 2022-23			
Cabinet Member: Public Health & Equality Forward Plan Ref: 2022/069 Contact: Lauren Rushen, Senior Policy Officer, 07990367851			
Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to	Report from the scrutiny committee	CDCODR (L Rushen)	

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a)	adopt the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan for 2022-2023;	noted. Recommendations agreed.		
b)	agree delegated authority to the Corporate Director Customers, Organisational Development and Resources to agree minor typographical changes to the action plan and an updated foreword from the Leader.			
14.	Provision of Services for Adults and children affected by Domestic Abuse			
Foru Con	inet Member: Public Health & Equality ard Plan Ref: 2022/043 fact: Rosie Winyard, Interim Senior ic Health Principle, 07564055880			
Cabi	inet is RECOMMENDED to	Recommendations agreed	CDPH (R Winyard)	
а)	Agree the proposed commencement of a procurement exercise for Oxfordshire domestic abuse services, including IDVA (Independent Domestic Violence Advocates) and Perpetrator provision in 2022.			
b)	Agree the progress of the statutory duties set out in the Domestic Abuse Act 2021, including the Needs Assessment and Overarching Domestic Abuse Strategy 2022			
15.	Oxfordshire Voluntary and Community Sector Strategy			
Foru	inet Member: Public Health & Equality ard Plan Ref: 2022/025 tact: Emily Schofield, Acting Head of			

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Strategy Tel: 07881 311707 / Karina Russell, Senior Policy Officer Tel: 07917 921511 Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to approve the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Strategy for 2022 – 2027.	Recommendations agreed	CDCODR (E Schfield / K Russell)	
16. Oxford 'Street Voice' Citizen's Jury Cabinet Member: Corporate Services Forward Plan Ref: 2022/089 Contact: Claire Taylor, Corporate Director – Customers, Organisational Development and Resources, claire.taylor@oxfordshire.gov.uk		000000	
a) Note the independent research project undertaken by the consortium of researchers from Oxford University (annex 1) and request that Overview and Scrutiny consider a dedicated event in September 2022 to consider the findings in committee.	Recommendation agreed with an amendment to a): to delete "in September 2022"	CDCODR (C Taylor)	
b) Formally record its thanks to the residents who participated in the Jury and commit to consideration of and response to the recommendations from the Jury and any subsequent Overview and Scrutiny Committee considerations.			
17. Didcot Garden Town HIF1 - Compulsory Purchase and Side Road Orders			
Cabinet Member: Travel & Development Strategy			

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Forward Plan Re Contact: Timothy Manager, Tel 07	y Mann, Senior Project			
The Cabinet is	RECOMMENDED to:	Recommendations agreed	CDEP Mann)	(T
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	Act 1980 (as amended) and Parts II and III of Schedule 2, and Schedule 3 to the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 for the purpose of acquiring the land and interests shown on the Order Map and described in the Schedules to the CPO (or such lesser area of land should this in his opinion be appropriate) to facilitate the construction of new highway and other necessary and related works and mitigation on such land and to affix the Common Seal of the Council to the CPO and to the Order Map;		
d)	Authorise the Director of Law & Governance to make The Oxfordshire County Council (Didcot to Culham Thames Bridge) Scheme 2022 ("the Bridge Scheme") pursuant to Section 106(3) of the Highways Act 1980 (as amended) for the purpose of allowing construction of a bridge over a navigable waterway, being the Thames River and to affix the Common Seal of the Council to the Bridge Scheme and its accompanying plan(s);		
e)	Authorise the Director of Law & Governance to make The Oxfordshire County Council (Didcot Garden Town Highways Infrastructure – A4130 Improvement (Milton Gate to Collett Roundabout), A4197 Didcot to Culham Link Road and A415 Clifton Hampden Bypass) (Side Roads) Order 2022 ("the SRO") pursuant to Sections 14 and 125 of the Highways Act 1980 (as amended) to enable the		

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	stopping-up, diversion, alteration, improvement and creation of new lengths of highway or reclassification of existing highways, enabling the stopping up of private means of access as necessary where the scheme design necessitates and reprovision of private means of access and giving authority for the acquisition of necessary land pursuant to the CPO and to affix the Common Seal of the Council to the SRO and to the SRO Plans;		
f)	Authorise the Director of Law & Governance to remove from the CPO any plot (or interest therein) no longer required to be acquired compulsorily, to amend the interests scheduled in the CPO (if so advised) and to request that the Secretary of State makes any modifications to the CPO prior to confirmation as may be appropriate;		
g)	Authorise the Director of Law & Governance to amend and finalise the draft Joint Statement of Reasons (Annex A) for the CPO and The Oxfordshire County Council (Didcot Garden Town Highways Infrastructure – A4130 Improvement (Milton Gate to Collett Roundabout), A4197 Didcot to Culham Link Road and A415 Clifton Hampden Bypass) (Side Roads) Order 2022 ("the SRO") and The Oxfordshire County Council (Didcot to Culham Thames Bridge) Scheme 2022 ("the Bridge Scheme") considered necessary prior to its submission to the Secretary of State;		

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h)	Authorise the Director of Law & Governance to advertise the making of the CPO, the SRO and the Bridge Scheme and to submit the CPO, SRO and Bridge Scheme to the Secretary of State for Transport for confirmation, together with authorising the Director of Law & Governance to take all other relevant action thereon to promote the confirmation and/or publication of the CPO, SRO and Bridge Scheme (including by statutory instrument for the Bridge Scheme);		
i)	In the event that any Public Inquiry is convened to consider objections to the CPO and/or SRO and/or Bridge Scheme and/or planning application (by way of a call-in decision), to authorise the Director of Law & Governance, in consultation with the Director of Transport and Infrastructure to prepare and submit such evidence as is necessary in support of the CPO and/or SRO and/or Bridge Scheme and/or planning application, including enlisting the assistance of outside consultants, legal advisors and Counsel to assist in the preparation and presentation of such evidence.		
j)	As soon as the CPO, the SRO and the Bridge Scheme have been confirmed and become operative, to authorise the Director of Law & Governance to comply with all associated requirements in respect of personal, site and		

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	press notices of confirmation and at the appropriate time thereafter to make, seal and give notice of a General Vesting Declaration (or declarations where more than one is required) under the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 and/or to serve Notices to Treat and Notice of Entry in respect of those properties to be acquired compulsorily;		
k)	Authorise the Director of Transport and Infrastructure in consultation with the Director of Law & Governance to negotiate terms with interested parties for the purchase by agreement or payment of compensation in accordance with the Compensation Code in respect of any interests or rights in or over any land included in the CPO and, where appropriate, to agree terms for relocation;		
I)	Authorise the Director of Property in consultation with the Director of Law & Governance to complete the acquisition of such interests or rights and execute their legal transfer/grant to the Council;		
m)	In the event that compensation for the acquisition of land and/or rights cannot be agreed between the relevant parties, to authorise the Director of Law & Governance to make a reference to the Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) for determination of such compensation together with such other questions as may be necessary to determine, including the engagement of appropriate		

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	external legal advisors and surveyors and other experts, as required;		
n)	In the event that any question of compensation in relation to the acquisition of land and/or rights is made by way of a reference to the Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) (whether by the claimant or the Council) to authorise the Director of Law & Governance to take all necessary steps in relation thereto, including advising on the appropriate uses and compensation payable and issuing the appropriate certificates.		
0)	Be notified of the Statutory Blight regime that requires the Council to respond to claims for Statutory Blight pursuant to Part VI, Chapter II and Schedule 13 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).		
p)	In respect to Statutory Blight delegate authority to the Director for Property Services and the Director of Law & Governance to agree appropriate terms in accordance with statutory provisions.		
18.	Delegated Powers - July 2022	Noted	
Form Cont Com	inet Member: Leader lard Plan Ref: 2022/017 tact: Colm Ó Caomhánaigh, limittee Officer Tel: 07393 001096		
To report on a quarterly basis any			

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executive decisions taken under the specific powers and functions delegated under the terms of Part 7.1 (Scheme of Delegation to Officers) of the Council's Constitution – Paragraph 6.3(c)(i). It is not for Scrutiny call-in.		
19. Forward Plan and Future Business		
Cabinet Member: All Contact Officer: Colm Ó Caomhánaigh, Committee Officer Tel: 07393 001096		
The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to note the items currently identified for forthcoming meetings.	Noted	DLG (C Ó Caomhánai gh)

ITEM 4 - QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Questions

1. COUNCILLOR IAN MIDDLETON

Cllr Enright will no doubt recall the site visit to the A40 works that he attended along with myself, Cllr Gant, Cllr Levy and various officers to look at concerns raised by local councillors and cycling groups about the poorly laid out transition points along the new cycle path near to the Oxford North development site. We were given reassurances by officers and contractors at the time that these problems would be addressed before the path was fully opened. It appears that these promises have not been kept and the layouts have not changed.

There has also been condemnation by cycling groups of the proposed alterations to the Kidlington Roundabout which have just been put out to consultation in a form which I have repeatedly criticised in briefings with officers. Again, I and other members and officers met on site there a few weeks ago in the wake of the death of a cyclist nearby earlier this year. During numerous briefings over a period of nearly a year I was given reassurances that the concerns I and others had raised with regard to cycling infrastructure on the roundabout would be addressed. Again, this has not happened.

As both the areas concerned are within my division, can the cabinet member give me a commitment that he will urgently look into these matters and report back to me and

Cabinet Member

COUNCILLOR DUNCAN ENRIGHT, TRAVEL & DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

The consultation for the Kidlington Roundabout proposal is open until 29 July 2022. Once all comments have been received, Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) will evaluate the responses and make recommendations as appropriate. In the meantime, officers will continue to engage with key stakeholders to discuss the proposals.

Revisions to the new development junction design to improve the experience for shared path users across the southern arm, as agreed on site with Councillors, have been defined and scoped. OCC has been working with the on-site contractor to try and achieve cost reductions, as the initial pricing was much higher than anticipated. This work is currently unfunded and is going through OCC internal governance to approve the increase in budget, which is required to implement the changes. All other identified improvements for active travel at crossing points along the Oxford North scheme extent (that were discussed on site) will need to form part of a separate project motivation and new funding request for implementation at a later date. This is as agreed on site.

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other local stakeholders and cycling groups about how our concerns will be addressed? Can he also give assurances that he will impress on officers that they need to be more responsive to feedback from local members over highway infrastructure schemes in the future.	
Supplementary Do we have any idea when the remedial works will commence on the A40 and on the Kidlington Roundabout can we withdraw the consultation at this point?	Response My original response addresses these points as well as we can at the moment but I will keep in touch with local Members on both of these projects.