

Delegated Decisions by Leader of the Council

***Thursday, 21 May 2026 at 9.30 am
Online***

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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. Key Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on Wednesday 27 May 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.

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May 2026

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Note: *Date of next meeting: 16 June 2026 (if required)*

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Items for Decision

1. Declarations of Interest

See guidance note below.

2. Questions from County Councillors

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am three working days before the meeting, ask a question on an item on the agenda.

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

Members of the public who wish to speak on an item on the agenda at this meeting, or present a petition, can attend the meeting in person or 'virtually' through an online connection.

Requests to present a petition must be submitted no later than 9am ten working days before the meeting.

Requests to speak must be submitted no later than 9am three working days before the meeting.

Requests should be submitted to committeesdemocraticservices@oxfordshire.gov.uk

If you are speaking 'virtually', you may submit a written statement of your presentation to ensure that if the technology fails, then your views can still be taken into account. A written copy of your statement can be provided no later than 9am on the day of the meeting. Written submissions should be no longer than 1 A4 sheet.

4. Flood Risk Funding Allocation (Pages 7 - 20)

Cabinet Member: Leader

Forward Plan Ref: 2026/101

Key Decision

*Contact: Clare Mills, Operational Manager – Flood Risk Management
(Clare.Mills@oxfordshire.gov.uk)*

Report by Director of Economy and Place (**CMDL5**).

To seek agreement of the proposed allocation split of rolled over flood risk management funding of £1.39m.

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to:

- a) **Note the use of multi-year flood prevention funding agreed by Council in financial year 2025/26.**
- b) **Note the spend to date on the current community grant scheme and approve the continuation of these grants for 2026/27 according to the grant scheme set out in Annex A.**
- c) **Adopt a discretionary grant/direct works scheme for the delivery of formal flood investigations recommendations as set out in Annex B.**
- d) **Delegate the decisions on individual business cases and funding allocation approval to the Director of Economy and Place within their existing financial delegations and within the requirements of the scheme.**

5. Land at Bicester Road, Kidlington - Proposed Active Travel Measures (Pages 21 - 34)

Cabinet Member: Leader

Forward Plan Ref: 2026/024

Non-Key Decision

*Contact: Angelo Antenucci, Engineer – Highway Agreements North
(Angelo.Antenucci@oxfordshire.gov.uk)*

Report by Director of Environment and Highways (**CMDL4**).

Proposals for bus stops, 3m shared footway/cycleway and the two signalised crossing is maintaining pedestrian and cyclist safety. The proposed highway improvement will help future and current residents to safely gain access to the existing and proposed footway/cycleway on either side of Bicester Road and the amenities in the area.

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to:

Approve the following traffic/highway features on Bicester Road in Kidlington, as advertised:

- a) **New Toucan crossing located north of its roundabout junction with Oxford Road,**
- b) **Conversion of an existing section of footway on the eastern side to a new shared-use foot & cycleway,**
- c) **Two new bus stop Clearways with a ‘No stopping except local buses’ restrictions, north of its roundabout junction with Oxford Road.**

Councillors declaring interests

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed 'Declarations of Interest' or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your employment; sponsorship (i.e. payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licenses for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest. If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member 'must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself' and that 'you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned'.

Members Code – Other registrable interests

Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to the financial interest or wellbeing of one of your other registerable interests then you must declare an interest. You must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and you must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Wellbeing can be described as a condition of contentedness, healthiness and happiness; anything that could be said to affect a person's quality of life, either positively or negatively, is likely to affect their wellbeing.

Other registrable interests include:

- a) Any unpaid directorships

- b) Any body of which you are a member or are in a position of general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority.
- c) Any body (i) exercising functions of a public nature (ii) directed to charitable purposes or (iii) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management.

Members Code – Non-registrable interests

Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to your financial interest or wellbeing (and does not fall under disclosable pecuniary interests), or the financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate, you must declare the interest.

Where a matter arises at a meeting which affects your own financial interest or wellbeing, a financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate or a financial interest or wellbeing of a body included under other registrable interests, then you must declare the interest.

In order to determine whether you can remain in the meeting after disclosing your interest the following test should be applied:

Where a matter affects the financial interest or well-being:

- a) to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
- b) a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest.

You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation.