

COUNTY COUNCIL – 21 MAY 2019

REPORT OF THE CABINET

Cabinet Member: Deputy Leader

1. Business Management & Monitoring Report for Quarter 3 - 2018/19

(Cabinet, 19 March 2019)

Cabinet noted a report that demonstrated the state of Oxfordshire County Council's progress towards Corporate Plan priorities at the end of Quarter 3, 2018-19.

Business Management & Monitoring Report - March 2019

(Cabinet, 14 May 2019)

Joint Responsibility with the Cabinet Member for Finance

By the time of the County Council meeting Cabinet will have considered a report that demonstrated Oxfordshire County Council's (OCC'S) progress towards Corporate Plan priorities and an update on the delivery of the Medium-Term Financial Plan at the end of March 2019. This was not the final financial outturn position that will be considered by Cabinet on 18 June 2019

The report was the first of a monthly reporting cycle, replacing the previous quarterly cycle. This report concerns the month ending 31 March 2019.

The report covered four elements of business management: performance, risk, human resources and finance.

2. Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) Action Plan 2019-20

(Cabinet, 19 March 2019)

The Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 requires the Secretary of State to prepare a Fire and Rescue National Framework to which Fire Authorities must have regard when discharging their functions. The 2018 Framework required each Fire and Rescue Authority to produce a publicly available Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP). Within Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service (OFRS) this is named a Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) to make it more meaningful to the public. In April 2017 OFRS published the CRMP 5-year strategy of Oxfordshire, this will cover the period from 2017 to 2022.

Each year the fire authority creates an action plan which proposes projects to support the CRMP 5-year strategy.

Cabinet approved a report that outlined the projects for 2019-20 and the consultation that had been undertaken on those projects.

Cabinet Member: Adult Social Care

3. Home Care Options Appraisal

(Cabinet, 19 March 2019)

The Care Act places a duty on the Council to maintain an efficient and effective care market for the population of Oxfordshire, including people funding their own care

Between Autumn 2016 – Spring 2017 five home care agencies in Oxfordshire exited the care market. To explore this issue in more detail full council passed a motion asking officers to explore the feasibility of establishing a small flexible home care service

A comprehensive review of all options has been undertaken ranging from the Council becoming a large provider of home care, establishing a small home care service, to continuing with the status quo.

Cabinet considered a report on the work of the review. The report also reflected the work done locally and regionally to strengthen the Council's assessment of the care market and ability to effectively respond when provider failure occurs.

Cabinet agreed to continue with the current care purchasing and provision arrangements and whilst doing so to support and develop the home care market by creating a new partnership model; develop alternative models of home care and to improve outcomes for people receiving reablement and reviewing our arrangements for contingency.

4. Older People's Strategy

(Cabinet, 19 March 2019)

Cabinet considered a report seeking support for the final version of 'Living Longer, Living Better: Oxfordshire's Older People's Strategy', and the 'Report of the Older People's Strategy Consultation'

Cabinet approved the final version of 'Living Longer, Living Better: Oxfordshire's Older People's Strategy', subject to the addition of a paragraph on the advantages of cultural activities for older people such as book clubs, choirs and the home library service, and supported the report of the Older People's Strategy Consultation. Both of which were also submitted for approval at the Health & Wellbeing Board in March 2019.

5. Innovation Fund for Daytime Support Grant Awards - March 2019

(Cabinet, 19 March 2019)

The Innovation Fund for Daytime Support 2018-19 was open to applications from all community and voluntary organisations to deliver new innovative projects for daytime support in Oxfordshire. The aim of the funding is to

provide one-off funding to support the development of self-sustaining projects, delivering new opportunities for adults in Oxfordshire.

Cabinet considered a report setting out the recommendations of a cross party working group and agreed the allocation of the fund.

Cabinet Member: Cherwell Partnership

6. Review of S113 Agreement - Update from the Oxfordshire County and Cherwell District Councils Partnership Working Group

(Cabinet, 23 April 2019)

Cabinet considered an update on the progress of the joint working partnership between Cherwell District and Oxfordshire County Councils.

Cabinet endorsed the recommendations of the Joint Partnership Working Group and agreed (subject to agreement by Cherwell District Council Executive) to establish a project team to develop the next phase of partnership working.

Cabinet Member: Environment

7. Compulsory Purchase Powers for Acquisition of Land Required for Delivery of Schemes

(Cabinet, 23 April 2019)

The Council is proposing to deliver a programme of major transport infrastructure projects, to support and enable housing and economic growth in Oxfordshire. To progress with the delivery of proposed major transport infrastructure schemes, the use of Compulsory Purchase Powers may have to be used for the acquisition of land required for the construction work.

Cabinet had before them a report that detailed the schemes which may require CPOs to proceed, as well as schemes identified as likely to require CPO in future, but which are still in early feasibility stages where exact parcels of land have not yet been identified. Cabinet approved the use of CPO powers.

8. Reg 18 Consultation on the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 and the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report: County Council Response to the Consultation

(Cabinet, 19 March 2019)

On 11 February the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 (Vision, Aspirations and Objectives) was published for public consultation for a period of six weeks to 25 March.

Cabinet approved the County Council's response to the consultation, together with a response on the accompanying Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report.

9. OVO Energy Women's Cycling Tour

(Cabinet, 23 April 2019)

The OVO Energy Women's Cycling Tour have approached Oxfordshire to act as hosts for Britain's prestigious cycle race over the next three years. Following a leaders' meeting on 4 March all council's across Oxfordshire have agreed, in principle, to host the event for years 2019, 2020 and 2021.

Cabinet approved a report seeking support to Oxfordshire being a host venue for the next three years.

10. Affinity Water: Water Resource Management Plan Consultation to April 2019 Relating to Proposed Reservoir in Oxfordshire

(Cabinet, 23 April 2019)

Affinity Water was consulting on its Revised Draft Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP) 2019 which looked ahead to 2080. The consultation documents outlined the preferred demand management and water supply options for Affinity Water in the context of the wider South East region.

Cabinet considered a report that set out how the Affinity Water consultation related to consultations by Thames Water in 2018 and advised on progress since then. Concerns raised with Thames Water in respect of the reservoir proposal were repeated in the response to Affinity Water approved by Cabinet that would make it clear that the County Council expects the Affinity Water proposal to go to public enquiry as well as the Thames Water Revised Draft Water Resource Management Plan.

Cabinet Member: Finance

11. Capital Programme Monitoring Report - January 2019

(Cabinet, 19 March 2019)

Cabinet considered a report that focused on the delivery of the 2018/19 capital programme based on projections at the end of January 2019 and new inclusions within the overall ten-year capital programme. The programme also included all changes approved by Council in February 2019 as part of the Service & Resource Planning process.

Cabinet noted the recent successful £218m bid for Didcot Garden Town projects; and approved the changes to the programme