

# Scrutiny Committee Agenda



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A meeting of the  
**Scrutiny Committee**  
will be held on Thursday, 26 March 2015  
at 7.00 pm  
Lockinge, The Beacon, Portway, Wantage, OX12 9BY

## Members of the Committee:

### Councillors

Jim Halliday (Chairman)  
Charlotte Dickson (Vice-chairman)  
Eric Batts  
Tony de Vere  
Jason Fiddaman  
Debby Hallett

Mohinder Kainth  
Sandy Lovatt  
Julie Mayhew-Archer  
Fiona Roper  
Alison Thomson  
Richard Webber

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M Reed".

Margaret Reed  
Head of Legal and Democratic Services

# Agenda

## Open to the Public including the Press

### Council's Vision

The council's vision is to take care of your interests across the Vale with enterprise, energy and efficiency.

### 1. Notification of substitutes and apologies for absence

To record the attendance of substitute members, if any, who have been authorised to attend in accordance with the provisions of standing order 17(1), with notification having been given to the proper officer before the start of the meeting and to receive apologies for absence.

### 2. Minutes

(Pages 4 - 15)

To adopt and sign as correct records the minutes of the committee meetings held on 18 December 2014, 15 January and 11 February 2015 (previously published).

### 3. Declarations of interest

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

### 4. Urgent business and chairman's announcements

To receive notification of any matters, which the chairman determines, should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances, which have made the matters urgent, and to receive any announcements from the chairman.

### 5. Statements, petitions and questions from the public relating to matters affecting the Scrutiny Committee

Any statements and/or petitions from the public under standing order 32 will be made or presented at the meeting.

### 6. Action List

To review actions taken since previous meeting and any outstanding actions (circulated

separately/ tabled at meeting).

**7. Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2014/15 - the effects to date**  
(Pages 16 - 21)

To receive the report of the head of finance.

**8. Draft Homelessness Strategy 2015-2020**  
(Pages 22 - 34)

To receive the report of the head of development and housing.

**9. Corporate Services Project - inter council agreement**  
(Pages 35 - 73)

To receive the report of the strategic director.

**10. Indicative Scrutiny work programme**  
(Pages 74 - 78)

To review the attached scrutiny work programme. Please note, this is an indicative programme only, and all items are subject to being withdrawn or dates rearranged without further notice.

**Exempt information under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972**

None