

# Council Agenda



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## Summons to attend a meeting of Council

to be held on Wednesday 12 October 2016 at 7.00 pm  
The Ridgeway, The Beacon, Portway, Wantage, OX12 9BY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Reed', is written in a cursive style.

Margaret Reed  
Head of Legal and Democratic Services

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### Council's vision

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

### 1. Apologies for absence

To receive apologies for absence.

### 2. Minutes

(Pages 6 - 18)

To adopt and sign as a correct record the Council minutes of the meeting held on 20 July 2016 attached.

### 3. Declarations of interest

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

### 4. Chairman's announcements

To receive any announcements from the chairman.

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

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

### 6. Urgent business

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.

### 7. Petitions under standing order 13

To receive petitions from members of the council under standing order 13 (if any).

### 8. Questions under standing order 12

No questions submitted from members of the council under standing order 12.

## **9. Treasury management outturn 2015/16**

(Pages 19 - 41)

Cabinet, at its meeting on 12 August 2016, considered the report on the outturn performance of the treasury management function for the financial year 2015/16.

**The report of the head of finance, which Cabinet considered on 12 August 2016, is attached.**

**RECOMMENDATION** to Council

- (a) To approve the treasury management outturn report for 2015/16; and
- (b) To approve the actual 2015/16 prudential indicators within the report.

## **10. Longworth Neighbourhood Plan**

(Wards Affected: Thames)

(Pages 42 - 81)

On 7 October 2016 Cabinet will consider a report on the adoption of the Longworth neighbourhood plan as part of the Development Plan for Vale of White Horse.

**The report of the head of planning, which Cabinet will consider on 7 October, is attached.**

**The recommendations of Cabinet will be circulated to councillors on 7 October.**

## **11. OxLEP Strategic Economic Plan**

(Pages 82 - 87)

At its meeting on 7 October 2016 Cabinet will consider a report on the OxLEP Strategic Economic Plan (SEP). As part of that report Cabinet will consider the Joint Scrutiny Committee request that Cabinet defer its response to the SEP pending its consideration by Council. If Cabinet agree to this request Council will be invited to consider the SEP.

**The report of the interim head of development, regeneration and housing, which Cabinet will consider on 7 October, is attached.**

**The recommendations of Cabinet will be circulated to councillors on 7 October.**

## **12. Report of the leader of the council**

### **(1) Urgent cabinet decisions**

In accordance with the overview and scrutiny procedure rules, a cabinet decision can be taken as a matter of urgency, if any delay by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the council's or the public's interest. Treating the decision as a matter of urgency must be agreed by the chairman of the Scrutiny Committee and must be reported to the next meeting of the council, together with the reasons for urgency.

Councillor Matthew Barber, Leader of the council, will report that on 12 August 2016 Councillor Mike Murray took a confidential decision to grant a lease to Boundary Park Sports Association. The chairman of the Scrutiny Committee agreed to waive call-in because any delay could impact on the agreement.

(2) Delegation of cabinet functions

To receive details of any changes to the leader's scheme of delegation.

(3) Matters affecting the authority arising from meetings of joint committees, partnerships and other meetings

To receive the report of the leader (if any).

### **13. Notices of motion under standing order 11**

To receive notices of motion under standing order 11.

(1) Motion to be proposed by Councillor Debby Hallett, seconded by Councillor Judy Roberts:

Council notes that government is still open to practical suggestions for devolved government. Council notes that the benefits of devolution are far more likely to be achieved if council leaders in Oxfordshire are serious about reaching a consensus.

Council also notes that both of the recently-commissioned reports identified strengths and weaknesses in each proposal, and made recommendations for addressing them.

Council believes these recommendations are capable of forming the basis for further discussion.

Council therefore:

- Calls on all council leaders in the county to resume talks about a workable model of local government re-organisation, with the express intention of reaching a workable consensus, and with the primary objective of achieving the best outcomes for the people of Oxford in terms of service delivery and efficiencies
- Calls on the Leader of Vale of White Horse District Council to play a full and constructive part in such talks

(2) Motion to be proposed by Councillor Bob Johnston, seconded by Councillor Jenny Hannaby:

Given that HM Government has announced that the New Homes Bonus is to be top sliced to pay for Adult Social Services in areas such as Oxfordshire, this Council calls for the officers to prepare a report on the implications for the Vale's finances. The report should go to Scrutiny in the first instance and thence to Cabinet and Full Council.

