

# Scrutiny Committee Agenda



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A special meeting of the  
**Scrutiny Committee**  
will be held on Monday 27 February 2017  
at 7.00 pm  
Meeting Room 1, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, Milton, OX14 4SB

## Members of the Committee:

### Councillors

Debby Hallett (Chairman)  
Alice Badcock (Vice-chairman)  
Edward Blagrove  
Vicky Jenkins  
Mohinder Kainth

Monica Lovatt  
Ben Mabbett  
Chris Palmer  
Judy Roberts

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

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. 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. Declarations of interest**

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

#### **3. Single unitary council for Oxfordshire**

At its meeting on 15 February 2017 Council agreed the following motion:

“This Council supports the principle of a new countywide unitary council for Oxfordshire but recognises that the One Oxfordshire discussion document currently being publicised by Oxfordshire County Council requires strengthening in order to maximise the benefits to, and influence of, local communities and to satisfy the concerns of residents about some aspects of the proposal including the need for more local decision making.

Council authorises the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to work with other partner councils to develop the terms of a proposal for local government change in Oxfordshire and present a detailed report to Council in due course”.

In light of the above motion the committee is invited to consider the report of the chief executive on the development of proposals for a single unitary council for Oxfordshire and make any recommendations to Cabinet and Council for consideration at meetings on 6 March and 8 March respectively – report to follow.