

# Minutes

of a meeting of the

## Cabinet

held on Friday 28 September 2018 at 10.30 am

in the Meeting Room 1, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, OX14 4SB



### Open to the public, including the press

#### Present:

Members: Councillors Roger Cox (Chairman), Ed Blagrove (Vice-Chairman), Eric Batts, Robert Sharp and Elaine Ware

Officers: Steve Culliford, Andrew Down, Adrian Duffield, Simon Hewings, Holly Jones and Ian Price

Also present: Councillor Judy Roberts

Number of members of the public: 1

#### Ca.64 Apologies for absence

Councillors Alice Badcock and Mike Murray had both sent their apologies for absence.

#### Ca.65 Minutes

**RESOLVED:** to approve the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 9 February 2018 as a correct record and agree that the Chairman signs them as such.

#### Ca.66 Declarations of interest

None

#### Ca.67 Urgent business and chairman's announcements

None

#### Ca.68 Public participation

Councillor Judy Roberts asked Cabinet how the joint spatial plan could be valid if the route of the proposed Oxford to Cambridge Expressway was unknown.

In response, it was reported that councillors and officers working on the joint spatial plan had recognised this issue and had raised the question with the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government. The Oxfordshire Growth Board had also discussed the matter on 25 September and had requested its chairman to write to the Government to raise this concern.

Councillor Roberts asked if the Vale could seek special stakeholder status in the Oxford to Cambridge Expressway discussions with Government.

In response, it was reported that the Vale would be a stakeholder and would attend such events as the council needed to be involved as closely as possible.

## **Ca.69 Oxfordshire Joint Spatial Plan**

Cabinet considered the head of planning's report on the Oxfordshire Joint Spatial Plan, also known as the Joint Statutory Spatial Plan. The report sought approval of:

- the Local Development Scheme, which set out the timetable for the plan's production;
- the draft Statement of Community Involvement for public consultation; and
- the Scoping Document, setting out the role of the spatial plan.

The Cabinet member for planning outlined the role of the spatial plan and the documents under consideration. The spatial plan would set out the strategic plan for Oxfordshire but would not set out the detail.

In response to the draft documents under consideration, Cabinet noted that the head of planning would meet his counterparts at the other Oxfordshire principal councils to suggest some points of clarification to improve the documents; these are set out in the addendum to these minutes. In particular, he suggested that the wording of the scoping document in the first sentence of paragraph 3.10 should be amended to read: 'Whilst the Joint Statutory Spatial Plan will determine the spatial strategy and strategic growth areas, it will not allocate sites except at the request of the relevant local planning authority'. Cabinet concurred with this suggestion, considering it essential.

### **RESOLVED:** to

- (a) approve the Local Development Scheme for the Joint Statutory Spatial Plan (as set out in Appendix 1 to the head of planning's report to Cabinet on 28 September 2018);
- (b) approve the draft Statement of Community Involvement 2018 (as set out in Appendix 2 to the head of planning's report to Cabinet on 28 September 2018) for the Joint Statutory Spatial Plan for a six-week period of formal public consultation; and
- (c) authorise the head of planning, in agreement with the other Oxfordshire councils' equivalent, to make any necessary minor and presentational changes to the draft Local Development Scheme 2018 and draft Joint Statutory Spatial Plan's Scoping Document before publication, and the draft Statement of Community Involvement 2018 before formal consultation commences.

### **RECOMMENDATION** to Council:

- (d) to approve the Joint Statutory Spatial Plan's Scoping Document (as set out in Appendix 3 to the head of planning's report to Cabinet on 28 September 2018).

The meeting closed at 10.45 am

**Addendum to the Cabinet minutes 28 September 2018  
Oxfordshire Joint Spatial Plan**

**(a) Changes to the Oxfordshire Spatial Plan Local Development Scheme:**

<b>Para.</b>	<b>Existing text</b>	<b>Proposed change</b>
3.	The Local Development Scheme will be revised as necessary and rolled forward.....	The Local Development Scheme will be revised <b>in agreement with each council</b> as necessary and rolled forward.....
7.	the documents which are to be Development Plan Documents	the <b>local development</b> documents which are to be <b>development plan documents</b>
	the subject matter and geographical area to which each Development Plan Document is to relate;	the subject matter and geographical area to which each <b>development plan document</b> is to relate;
	which documents are to be development plan documents	<del>which documents are to be development plan documents</del>
	which Development Plan Documents are to be prepared jointly with one or more other local planning authorities;	which <b>development plan documents</b> are to be prepared jointly with one or more other local planning authorities;
	any matter or area in respect of which the authorities have agreed (or propose to agree) to the constitution of a joint committee	any matter or area in respect of which the authorities have agreed (or propose to agree) to the constitution of a joint committee <b>under section 29</b>
	the timetable for the preparation and revision of the Development Plan Documents; and	the timetable for the preparation and revision of the <b>development plan documents</b> ; and

**(d) Recommended changes to the Oxfordshire Spatial Plan Scoping Document:**

<b>Para.</b>	<b>Existing text</b>	<b>Proposed change</b>
3.7	The Joint Statutory Spatial Plan's (JSSP) strategic policies will cover the following matters:	The Joint Statutory Spatial Plan's strategic policies <b>(in accordance with the definition in the National Planning Policy Framework)</b> will cover the following matters:

3.10	Whilst the Joint Statutory Spatial Plan will determine the spatial strategy and strategic growth locations it is unlikely to allocate sites.	Whilst the Joint Statutory Spatial Plan will determine the spatial strategy and strategic growth <b>areas, it will not allocate sites except at the request of the relevant local planning authority.</b>
3.10	The following diagram is taken from the West of England Plan as one example of how this could be illustrated.  Key diagram illustration	<del>The following diagram is taken from the West of England Plan as one example of how this could be illustrated.</del>  Remove Key Diagram illustration
6.1 (d)	Spatial Strategy – overall quantum of development for housing and employment together with strategic development locations and opportunities and the necessary strategic infrastructure to support this, including a key diagram.	Spatial Strategy – overall quantum of development for housing and employment together with strategic development <b>areas of search</b> and the necessary strategic infrastructure to support this, including a key diagram.
7.1 (a)	Oxfordshire Local Housing Need calculation	Oxfordshire Local Housing Need calculation <b>in accordance with the new methodology set out in the National Planning Policy Framework</b>
8.0	Highways England are now taking forward more detailed development of the Expressway proposals and have identified three potential board corridors for its route which affect Oxfordshire in different ways	Highways England are now taking forward more detailed development of the Expressway proposals and have identified <b>corridor route B and sub-routes B1 and B3</b> <del>three potential board corridors for its</del> route which affect Oxfordshire in different ways
9.6	September 18 – as part the project launch	<b>November</b> 18 – as part of the project launch