

# Agenda



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## A meeting of the **Cabinet**

will be held on Friday 10 July 2020 at 10.30 am  
This will be a virtual, online meeting.

### **Cabinet Members:**

#### **Councillors**

Emily Smith (Chair)	Helen Pighills
Debby Hallett (Vice-Chair)	Judy Roberts
Andy Crawford	Bethia Thomas
Neil Fawcett	Catherine Webber
Jenny Hannaby	

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Head of Legal and Democratic

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## **Open to the Public including the Press**

### **1. Apologies for absence**

To record apologies for absence.

### **2. Minutes**

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To adopt and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 3 February 2020.

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### 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. Public participation

To receive any questions or statements from members of the public that have registered to speak.

### 6. Recommendations from other committees

To consider any recommendations to Cabinet from other committees.

#### Climate Emergency Advisory Committee – 1 June 2020

Following the receipt of a public statement, the Climate Emergency Advisory Committee discussed the government announcement that it was making funds available to create and improve infrastructure for cycling. It was noted that Oxfordshire County Council was working on the promotion of active travel and considering traffic restriction measures. The committee welcomed this move and resolved to ask its chairman to write to the county council to show support of the active travel and traffic restriction measures being developed and support these to become a permanent measure. The committee also asked Cabinet to recommend to Council that it writes to the county council in support of these measures also.

#### Climate Emergency Advisory Committee – 1 July 2020

The Climate Emergency Advisory Committee discussed the corporate plan on 1 July and made suggestions to the Cabinet member to clarifying the wording in the draft plan as follows:

- In the Vision statement, amend the second sentence to read: “We will do all we can to contribute to making that a reality in the Vale, **within the scientific (or ecological) constraints of our physical environment on planet earth.**”
- In all themes, consider emphasising sustainability
- In theme 1, providing the homes people need, amend paragraph 1.2 to read: “We will aim to provide a mix of tenures in each development **to build sustainable homes in balanced and sustainable communities.**”
- In theme 2, tackling the climate emergency, the committee supports this theme but suggests that paragraph 2.1 is amended to read: “A climate emergency programme, focussed on what the council has control over, **such as our own buildings, vehicles, leisure and arts centres, working towards our targets.**”
- In theme 4, building stable finances, paragraph 4.2, clarify the term ‘financially sensible’ to reflect the need to protect finances for the long-term benefit of

- residents
- In theme 6, working in an open and inclusive way, the committee supports the example project on a youth council and would like to see equalities mentioned also

The committee also discussed the draft report from consultants, Aether, into the council's carbon emissions baseline. The committee supports the conclusions and the scope of Aether's draft report but considers that the council should aim to reduce all emissions, whether they are measurable or not. However, the committee has questions over which year the baseline figures were being taken from. The committee accepted the baseline figure provided by Aether in its report.

**Recommendation:** to accept the consultant's report from Aether on the council's carbon emissions baseline but the council should aim to reduce all emissions, whether they are measurable or not.

## **7. Corporate Plan 2020 to 2024**

To consider the report of the acting deputy chief executive – transformation and operations.

## **8. Homelessness and rough sleeping strategy**

(Pages 11 - 147)

To consider the head of housing and environment's report.

## **9. Housing assistance grants and loans policy**

(Pages 148 - 180)

To consider the head of housing and environment's report.

## **10. Partnership grants**

(Pages 181 - 187)

To consider the report of the acting deputy chief executive – transformation and operations.