

Agenda

Oxfordshire Growth Board

Tuesday 8 June 2021 at 2.00 pm

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Notes:

1. *To watch this meeting, follow this link to the Growth Board's YouTube channel. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6cweGEj9EPs>. Arrangements are subject to change at short notice so please refer to the agenda page at <http://democratic.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=543&MId=2784> for more information. Please note that physical attendance at the meeting will be subject to limited availability because of compliance with Covid-19 restrictions.*
2. *One member, one vote for each constituent local authority member only.*

AGENDA

1. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for the 2021/2022 year

To elect a Chair and Vice-Chair of the Growth Board for the 2021/2022 Growth Board year – June 2021 to May 2022.

2. Apologies for absence; declarations of interest and Chair's announcement

3. Minutes (Pages 6 - 14)

To adopt as a correct record the minutes of the Oxfordshire Growth Board meeting held on 22 March 2021

4. Public participation (To Follow)

Asking a question and addressing the Board

Questions or requests to make an address (in full and in writing) must be received by **5pm on 2 June 2021**, three clear working days before the Growth Board meeting.

Questions and addresses should be no longer than one side of A4 paper in Arial 12 font. The statement or question will be circulated to the Board and public speakers will be invited to speak at the meeting. Written submissions may also be read out by the Chair or Democratic Services Officer where requested or if the person making the request for public speaking is not able to attend the meeting. A response may be given at the meeting or a written answer supplied. The Chair will have discretion to manage the public participation procedure as they see appropriate. Questions and notice of addresses must be submitted to democratic.services@oxfordshiregrowthboard.org

Note: This meeting may be recorded for live broadcast via the Growth Board's [YouTube Channel](#) - at the start of the meeting the Chair will confirm the meeting is being filmed. By registering to speak you are consenting to being recorded and to the use of those video and audio recordings for webcasting.

5. Growth Board Scrutiny Panel update (To Follow)

For action: To receive any recommendations from the Growth Board Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 1 June 2021. (To follow)

6. Powering Up for the Green Recovery (Pages 15 - 53)

For action: To consider how the recommendations can help inform the Board's work and that of its partner organisations. A copy of the slides to be presented to the Growth Board and a copy of the full Powering Up for the Green Recovery report is attached.

7. Overview of skills landscape (Pages 54 - 74)

For information: To receive an update on the emerging national skills landscape and the implications for Oxfordshire's skills priorities. The report also provides an overview of the

skills required to support the transition to Net Zero. Attached to the report is a copy of the slides to be presented to the Growth Board.

8. Housing and Growth Deal Advisory Group Updates

(a) Infrastructure Advisory Group update

For information: To note an update from the Infrastructure Advisory Group meeting held on 26 May 2021.

(b) Housing Advisory Group update (Pages 75 - 77)

For information: To note an update from the Housing Advisory Group. Summary notes from the meeting held on 27 April 2021 are attached.

(c) Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Advisory Group update (Pages 78 - 82)

For information: To note an update from the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Advisory Group. Summary notes from the meetings held on 18 March 2021 and 27 April 2021 are attached.

9. Growth Board Forward Plan (Pages 83 - 84)

For information: To note and comment on the Growth Board's Forward Plan.

10. Other Growth Board related appointments

For Action: To agree appointments to the following roles:

- a) Oxford to Cambridge Arc Leaders Executive Group – 3 local authority nominations plus one standing deputy
- b) Growth Board Housing Advisory Group Chair
- c) Growth Board Environment Advisory Group Chair
- d) Growth Board Infrastructure Advisory Group Chair
- e) Growth Board Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Advisory Group Chair and;
- f) To confirm that the England's Economic Heartland Strategic Transport Forum nomination will continue to rotate with the Growth Board Chairmanship.

11. Oxford to Cambridge Arc Update (Verbal Report)

For information: To receive any relevant updates from the Growth Board Director concerning developments within the Oxford to Cambridge Arc.(Verbal Report)

12. Updates on matters relevant to the Growth Board

Growth Board members and officers may verbally update the Board concerning progress on matters previously before the Board for consideration, listed in the forward plan, or relevant to the Board's future consideration. This is for the sharing of information, except where any actions are required that cannot reasonably be deferred to the next meeting.

13. Dates of next meetings

The dates of confirmed future Growth Board meetings are below. Please refer to <https://www.oxfordshiregrowthboard.org/meetings/> for the most up to date information on times and locations. The Growth Board will continue to take account of HM Government's guidance and statutory provisions in respect of public meetings and all arrangements will remain under review.

- 19 July 2021
- 20 September 2021
- 23 November 2021
- 25 January 2022
- 22 March 2022
- 7 June 2022
- 26 July 2022

Councillors' duties on declaring interests

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your* employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the council's area; licences for land in the council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's register of interests which is publicly available on the council's website.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your register of interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest. If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Member's Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Councillors' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

*Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those of the member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.

