Agenda



The Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel

Tuesday 18 July 2023 at 6.30 pm Virtual meeting viewable by weblink

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Councillor Charlie Hicks (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Liam Walker

Councillor Leigh Rawlins South Oxfordshire District Council

Councillor David Turner

Councillor Jo Robb

Councillor Andy Cooke Vale of White Horse District Council

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Councillor Judy Roberts

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Councillor Julian Cooper Councillor Michael Brooker

- 1. The quorum is six members, one from each council. Substitutes are allowed and should be notified to the contact above.
- 2. <u>To watch this meeting, follow this link to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership's YouTube channel.</u>
- 3. <u>Arrangements are subject to change at short notice so please refer to the agenda page.</u>

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence, substitutes; declarations of interest, Chair's announcements
- 2. Minutes of the previous meeting (Pages 6 13)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6 June 2023.

3. Public participation (To Follow)

Members of the public may submit an address or question in writing to the Scrutiny Panel, where full notice of the question or address is given to the secretariat no later than 17:00 on Wednesday 12 July 2023. Questions and addresses submitted should be no longer than one side of A4 paper in Arial 12 font. The address or question will be circulated to the Panel and public speakers will be invited to speak at the virtual 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. Questions and notice of addresses must be submitted to futureoxfordshirepartnership@southandvale.gov.uk

Note: This meeting may be recorded for live broadcast via the Future Oxfordshire Partnership's <u>YouTube Channel</u> - 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.

4. Update from Councillor Liz Leffman on the work of the Infrastructure Advisory Group (Verbal Report)

To receive feedback on the work of the Infrastruture Advisory Group from its Chair, Councillor Liz Leffman.

5. Developing a Place Narrative for Oxfordshire (Pages 14 - 19)

To consider a report to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership setting out a more developed view of the place narrative project and its purpose.

6. Refreshing the Strategic Economic Plan - June 2023 update (Pages 20 - 47)

To consider a presentation to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership setting out an update on the refreshment of the Oxfordshire Strategic Economic Plan.

It is expected that a final version will be presented to the Partnership in November 2023.

7. Future Oxfordshire Partnership Forward Programme (Pages 48 - 52)

To consider and discuss the forward programme of the Future Oxfordshire Partnership with a view to determining any matters which the Panel would wish to focus upon.

8. Other Future Oxfordshire Partnership Agenda items

To consider the remainder of the Future Oxfordshire Partnership Agenda items for Tuesday 25 July 2023 including monitoring reports.

(a) Oxfordshire Skills Policy Landscape (Pages 53 - 66)

To consider a report to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership providing a high-level overview of the skills landscape with a primary focus on post 16 technical and vocational learning which is mainly delivered through further education colleges and other providers drawing DfE funding.

(b) Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal: Update at the end of Quarter 4 2022/23 (Pages 67 - 73)

To consider a report to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership on progress, spend and housing delivery for schemes included as part of the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal. The report provides updates on the following funding streams as at the end of Quarter 4 2022/23:

- Housing from Infrastructure (HfI) programme
- Growth Deal Capacity Fund

(c) Oxfordshire Local Nature Partnership Update - Annual Report and Nature Finance Strategy (Pages 74 - 95)

To consider a report to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership presenting the annual report of the Oxfordshire Local Nature Partnership the Oxfordshire Nature Finance Strategy.

(d) Update on Homes England Strategic Plan 2023 to 2028 (Pages 96 - 110)

To consider a presentation to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership on the Homes England Strategic Plan 2023-2028.

9. Future Oxfordshire Partnership response to Scrutiny Panel recommendations (Pages 111 - 114)

To consider the Future Oxfordshire Partnership's response to the recommendations from the Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 6 June 2023.

10. Work programme for the Scrutiny Panel and action log - July 2023

To discuss the draft work programme for the Panel and status of actions from the previous meeting.

11. Dates of next meetings

The dates of confirmed future Scrutiny Panel meetings are below. Please refer to https://futureoxfordshirepartnership.org/meetings/ for the most up to date information on times and locations.

- Thursday 14/09/23
- Tuesday 21/11/23
- Monday 22/01/24
- Monday 11/03/24

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.

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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 themselves, 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.