

# Agenda



## The Future Oxfordshire Partnership

**Wednesday 20 March 2024 at 2.00 pm**  
**The Long Room, Oxford City Council, Town Hall, St Aldate's,**  
**Oxford, OX1 1BX**

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### Members

Leader of South Oxfordshire District Council  
Leader of Vale of White Horse District Council  
Leader of Cherwell District Council  
Leader of Oxford City Council  
(which holds the Chair)  
Leader of Oxfordshire County Council  
(which holds the Vice-Chair)  
Leader of West Oxfordshire District Council  
Chair, OxLEP  
OxLEP Universities representative  
OxLEP business representative - Bicester  
OxLEP business representative – Oxford City  
OxLEP business representative – Science Vale  
Homes England representative  
Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, and Berkshire West  
Integrated Care Board  
Environment Agency representative

Councillor David Rouane  
Councillor Bethia Thomas  
Councillor Barry Wood  
Councillor Susan Brown

Councillor Liz Leffman

Councillor Andy Graham  
Professor Alistair Fitt  
Professor Irene Tracey  
Miranda Markham  
Peter Nolan  
Angus Horner  
Neil Hook  
Dan Leveson

Emma Hill

### Notes:

1. [To watch the meeting, follow this link to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership YouTube Channel](#)
2. [Arrangements are subject to change at short notice so please refer to the agenda page](#)
3. *One member, one vote for each constituent local authority member only.*

# AGENDA

- 1 **Apologies for absence; declarations of interest and Chair's announcement**
- 2 **Minutes** (Pages 6 - 14)

To adopt as a correct record the minutes of the Future Oxfordshire Partnership meeting held on 30 January 2024.

- 3 **Public participation** (To Follow)

### **Asking a question and addressing the Partnership**

Questions or requests to make an address (in full and in writing) must be received by **5pm on Thursday 14 March 2024** three clear working days before the Future Oxfordshire Partnership meeting.

Questions and addresses should be no longer than one side of A4 paper in Arial 12 font. The address or question will be circulated to the Partnership 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 [futureoxfordshirepartnership@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:futureoxfordshirepartnership@southandvale.gov.uk)

Note: This meeting may be recorded for live broadcast. 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 **Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel update** (To Follow)

**For action:** To receive any recommendations from the Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 11 March 2024.

- 5 **Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal: Update at the end of Quarter 3 2023/2024** (Pages 15 - 21)

**For information:** To receive the Quarter 3 2023/2024 progress report for the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal and endorse any amendments to the programmes of work as necessary.

- 6 **Local Enterprise Partnership Functions: Transition Arrangements** (Pages 22 - 24)

**For action:** To consider a report which provides an overview of the approach to LEP transition following the verbal update to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership in January 2024.

## 7 **Advisory Group updates**

To receive updates from the Chairs of the advisory groups and summary notes from these meetings if available.

### 7a **Infrastructure Advisory Group update** (To Follow)

**For information:** To receive an update from the Infrastructure Advisory Group. Summary notes from the meeting held on 17 January are attached and a verbal update will be given on the meeting to be held on 12 March 2024

### 7b **Planning Advisory Group update** (Pages 25 - 29)

**For information:** To receive the formal notes of the meeting of the Planning Advisory Group held on 15 December 2023 and to receive a verbal update on the meeting scheduled for 15 March 2024.

### 7c **Environment Advisory Group update** (Pages 30 - 34)

**For information:** To receive the formal written notes of the Environment Advisory Group held on 18 January 2024.

## 8 **Future Oxfordshire Partnership Forward Plan** (Pages 35 - 38)

**For information:** To note and comment on the Future Oxfordshire Partnership's Forward Plan.

## 9 **Updates on matters relevant to the Future Oxfordshire Partnership** (Verbal Report)

Future Oxfordshire Partnership members and officers may verbally update the Board on progress on matters previously before the Partnership for consideration, listed in the forward plan, or relevant to the Partnership's future decisions. This is for the sharing of information and no decisions will be taken.

## 10 **Updates from key strategic partnerships supporting delivery of the Oxfordshire Strategic Vision** (Verbal Report)

**For information:** To receive updates from other partnerships supporting the delivery of the Oxfordshire Strategic Vision.

## 11 **Dates of next meetings**

Please refer to <https://futureoxfordshirepartnership.org> for the most up to date information on times and locations.

Proposed meeting dates for June 2024 to June 2025:

- Tuesday 25/06/24
- Tuesday 30/07/24
- Thursday 03/10/24
- Tuesday 26/11/24
- Tuesday 28/01/25

- Tuesday 18/03/25
- Tuesday 24/06/25

**Recommendation:** That the Future Oxfordshire Partnership notes the dates of the proposed meetings June 2024 to June 2025

## **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 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.

