

Agenda



The Future Oxfordshire Partnership

Tuesday 30 July 2024 at 2.00 pm

Meeting Rooms 2-3, County Hall, New Road, Oxford, OX1 1ND

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Julia Krause
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 **Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for the 2024/2025 year**

To elect a Chair and Vice-Chair of the Future Oxfordshire Partnership for the 2024/2025 year June 2024 to May 2025.

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

3 **Minutes** (Pages 7 - 12)

To adopt as a correct record the minutes of the Future Oxfordshire Partnership meeting held on 20 March 2024.

4 **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 **Wednesday 24 July 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

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.

5 **Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel update** (To Follow)

For action: To receive any recommendations from the Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 23 July 2024.

6 **Initial verbal update on Future Oxfordshire Partnership Futures local authority leaders' summit** (Verbal Report)

For information: To receive an initial update on the summit of local authority leaders on the future of the partnership scheduled for 29 July 2024.

7 **Future Oxfordshire Partnership Appointments 2024-2025** (Verbal Report)

For Action: To agree appointments to the following roles if required:

- a) Housing Advisory Group Chair
- b) Environment Advisory Group Chair
- c) Infrastructure Advisory Group Chair
- d) Planning Advisory Group Chair and;
- e) To note that the Oxford to Cambridge Pan Regional Partnership nomination will continue to rotate with the Future Oxfordshire Partnership's Chair. In the event that the Chair is unavailable or is a member of the collaboration board in another capacity, another nomination should be made.
- f) To note that the England's Economic Heartland Strategic Transport Forum nomination will continue to rotate with the Future Oxfordshire Partnership's Chair, unless the Chair is unavailable or is a member of the Forum in another capacity, in which the Vice-Chair should be the FOP representative.
- g) To note that the Partnership's representative on the Oxfordshire Local Nature Partnership will continue to be the Chair of the Environment Advisory Group.

8 Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal: Update at the end of Quarter 4 2023/24 (Pages 13 - 20)

For information: To receive the Quarter 4, Year 2023/2024 progress report for the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal and endorse any amendments to the programmes of work as necessary.

9 Oxfordshire Inclusive Economy Partnership (OIEP) Update Report (Pages 21 - 28)

For information: To consider a report providing an update on the progress of the Oxfordshire Inclusive Economy Partnership (OIEP) priorities.

10 Update on the Oxfordshire Local Nature Recovery Strategy (Pages 29 - 32)

For information: To receive an update on the Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS) development and the plan to go out to public consultation.

11 Advisory Group updates

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

11a Infrastructure Advisory Group update (Pages 33 - 43)

For information: To receive an update from the Infrastructure Advisory Group. Draft summary notes from the meetings held on 12 March 2024 and 6 June 2024 are attached.

11b **Planning Advisory Group update** (Pages 44 - 48)

For information: To receive an update from the Planning Advisory Group. Draft summary notes from the meeting held 15 March 2024 are attached.

12 **Future Oxfordshire Partnership Forward Plan** (Pages 49 - 54)

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

13 **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.

14 **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.

15 **Oxfordshire Local Area Energy Plan - Outline business case** (Pages 55 - 149)

For action: To consider a business case proposing an increase in the allocation of the Housing and Growth Deal Capacity Fund for the support of Local Area Energy Planning in Oxfordshire.

Exempt information under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972

The Future Oxfordshire Partnership gives notice that it may decide by passing the necessary motion to hold all or part of the discussion of this item in private on the grounds that there would likely be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest on disclosing the information.

16 **Dates of next meetings**

The dates of confirmed Future Oxfordshire Partnership meetings are below. Please refer to [list of meetings](#) for the most up to date information on times and locations.

- Thursday 3 October 2024
- Tuesday 26 November 2024
- Tuesday 28 January 2025
- Tuesday 18 March 2025
- Tuesday 24 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.

