Agenda

Vale of White Horse

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A meeting of the

Cabinet

will be held on Friday, 28 June 2024 at 10.30 am The Hanney Room, The Beacon, Portway, Wantage, OX12 9BX

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Cabinet Members:

Councillors

Bethia Thomas (Chair)
Mark Coleman (Vice-Chair)
Sue Caul
Andy Crawford
Lucy Edwards

Neil Fawcett Andy Foulsham Diana Lugova Helen Pighills

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Vivien Williams, Head of Legal and Democratic (Interim)

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Open to the Public including the Press

1. Chair's announcements

To receive any announcements from the chair.

2. Apologies for absence

To record apologies for absence.

3. Minutes

(Pages 6 - 12)

To adopt and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 19 April 2024.

4. Declarations of interests

To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, other registrable interests and non-registrable interests or any conflicts of interest in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

5. Urgent business

To receive notification of any matters which the chair determines should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances which have made the matters urgent.

6. Public participation

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

7. Delivery of public space CCTV

(Pages 13 - 18)

To receive the report from the head of communities.

To seek a decision from Cabinet on the proposal to enter the Thames Valley CCTV Partnership and the creation of an Oxfordshire CCTV hub for the future provision of public space CCTV.

Recommendation: That Cabinet

- (a) Agree to the proposed approach for the delivery of public space CCTV in the Vale of White Horse.
- (b) Authorise the Head of Communities to negotiate and agree the agreement with Thames Valley Police and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for the future provision on public space CCTV making any minor changes they deem necessary, and undertaking and considering any consultation required.

8. Local Authority Housing Fund: Round 3

(Pages 19 - 62)

To receive the report from the head of finance.

To allow the council to accept additional grant funding which has been made available under the latest round of Local Authority Housing Fund (LAHF) funding. This will further support the provision of housing for the council's refugee accommodation programme, building on previous rounds which the council has taken advantage of.

Recommendations: for cabinet:

- (a) To accept the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities' grant of £747,000 (indicative Local Authority Housing Fund 3 allocation) to deliver four homes that meet the eligibility criteria outlined within the Local Authority Housing Fund 3 prospectus, and to authorise the head of finance in consultation with the chief executive or their nominated officer to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, which sets out the understanding between both parties for the use of funding.
- (b) to recommend to Council to add £1.644 million to the capital programme, part funded by Local Authority Housing Fund 3 funding of £747,000 to purchase four homes under this scheme.

9. Oxfordshire Councils Charter

(Pages 63 - 73)

To consider the head of policy and programmes' report.

To update Cabinet members on the development of the Oxfordshire Councils Charter attached at appendix 1. To endorse the charter and become a signatory party along with other councils in Oxfordshire.

Recommendation:

That Cabinet endorses the Oxfordshire Councils Charter and agrees to be a signatory.

10. 2023/24 Q4 Climate Action Plan Performance Report Vale (Pages 74 - 186)

To consider the head of policy and programmes' report.

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11. Blewbury Conservation Area Appraisal and Boundary Review Adoption

(Pages 187 - 217)

To consider the head of planning's report.

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the representations received during the public consultation on the draft Blewbury Conservation Area Appraisal and Boundary Review and to detail the changes that have been made to the document as a result in order to seek formal adoption of the boundary and associated document.

Recommendations:

- (a) That the Blewbury Conservation Area boundary is adopted as per the proposed revisions shown at Appendix 1.
- (b) That the Blewbury Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan as amended following public consultation is adopted as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) as part of the Development Plan evidence and is a material planning consideration.
- (c) To delegate to the Head of Planning in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member to make minor changes, typographical corrections or non-material amendments to the Blewbury Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan document prior to formal publication and statutory notification requirements.

12. Review of the Future Oxfordshire Partnership (Pages 218 - 222)

To receive the report from the deputy chief executive – place.

To seek cabinet members' views on the future of the Future Oxfordshire Partnership (FOP), a statutory joint committee, and set out how to seek engagement from the wider members on that future.

Recommendations:

- (a) For Cabinet to consider the future remit of Future Oxfordshire Partnership, a statutory joint committee, and to seek engagement from all councillors on that remit in order to assist the Leader in representing the Council's views.
- (b) To note the Chief Executive's email to DHLUC officials (sent at the request of the Leader of the Council and agreed by the Leader) setting out the Council's request and headline position around aspects of devolution, which is likely to be a priority for any new government.

13. Exclusion of the public, including the press

To consider whether to exclude members of the press and public from the meeting for the following items of business under Section 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended on the grounds that:

- (i) It is likely that there will be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A, and
- (ii) the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

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

The council hereby gives notice that it intends to hold part of this Cabinet meeting in private to consider the following items for the reasons set out in the 'exclusion of the public, including the press' item above.

14. Recommendations and updates from other committees (Pages 223 - 224)

To consider the attached paper, being the recommendations and updates from other committees to Cabinet.

15. Five Councils Partnership

(Pages 225 - 240)

To consider the report of the Deputy Chief Executive – Partnerships.

16. New Waste Depot

(Pages 241 - 263)

To consider the head of development and corporate landlord's report.