

Recommendations and updates from other committees to Cabinet 6 August 2021



Please find below updates from other committees to the Vale's Cabinet meeting on Friday 6 August.

Joint Staff Committee

The committee met formally on 9 and 10 June. It recommended changes to the chief officer structure, which were approved by an individual Cabinet member decision in June. The committee also conducted interviews for the appointment of the head of legal and democratic. Cabinet members subsequently supported the appointment. **No further action required by Cabinet.**

Climate Emergency Advisory Committee

Members of the committee met informally on 14 June. The notes of this meeting are published to the council's website. **No action is required by Cabinet.**

Members supported the creation of a tree policy for council-owned land and were content for it to be a joint policy with South Oxfordshire. It was felt the principles were good but specific goals should be outlined clearly in the policy. Members wished to see a draft, as long as this did not hold up the process.

On the public sector decarbonisation scheme funding, officers gave an update on successful bids and reflected on the less successful bids.

The committee's task and finish group had assisted with a response to the DEFRA consultation on the Environment Bill.

General Licensing Committee

The committee met formally on 25 June and approved the taxi licensing policy. **No action required for Cabinet.**

Joint Audit and Governance Committee

The joint committee had met formally on 5 July and approved the statement of accounts and annual governance statement for 2019/20, subject to minor issues in the accounts to be signed off outside of the meeting. **No action required for Cabinet.** For information, the 2020/21 accounts are due to be considered by the committee in January 2022.

Scrutiny Committee

The committee met formally on 26 July. The committee discussed the proposed changes to the Community Infrastructure Levy charging schedule and the proposed Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document. **No formal recommendations were made to Cabinet.** However, the committee suggested that there should be early consultation for parish councils and that all local clinical commissioning groups covering the Vale should be referred to in the supplementary planning document. Both the proposed changes to the Community Infrastructure Levy charging schedule and the proposed Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document are due to be considered by Cabinet on 1 October.

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