

Committee: Executive

Date: Monday 1 March 2010

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor Barry Wood (Chairman) Councillor G A Reynolds (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Ken Atack Councillor Norman Bolster Councillor Michael Gibbard Councillor James Macnamara

Councillor Kieron Mallon Councillor Nigel Morris
Councillor D M Pickford Councillor Nicholas Turner

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest that they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

3. Petitions and Requests to Address the Meeting

The Chairman to report on any requests to submit petitions or to address the meeting.

4. Urgent Business

The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

5. Minutes (Pages 1 - 10)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 1 February 2010.

Strategy and Policy

6. **Private Sector Housing Strategy 2010 - 2014** (Pages 11 - 70) **6.35 pm**

Report of Head of Housing Services

Summary

To seek adoption of the council's Private Sector Housing Strategy and endorsement of the associated action plan.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

- (1) Adopt the Private Sector Housing Strategy.
- (2) Endorse the Strategy's action plan.

Service Delivery and Innovation

7. The Council's Response to Climate Change (Pages 71 - 88) 6.45 pm

Report of Head of Environmental Services

Summary

This report considers the progress of the Environmental Strategy for a Changing Climate and the overall progress of the Council in responding to climate change issues.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended:

- (1) To note the current progress relating to the Environmental Strategy for a Changing Climate and the performance relating to the four climate change national indicators.
- (2) To approve the revised Environmental Strategy for a Changing Climate Change delivery plan and the continuing priority attached to it.
- (3) To support reducing carbon emissions by improving the energy efficiency of corporate buildings and also reducing other sources of Council emissions by gaining support from the Carbon Trust Local Authority Carbon Management programme.

8. Progress on Developing and Delivering the Equalities Work Programme (Pages 89 - 120) 7.05 pm

Report of Chief Executive and Corporate Strategy and Performance Manager

Summary

To provide an overview of achievements relating to our equalities work in 2009/2010 and outline the work programme for 2010/2011.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

- (1) Agree the Corporate Equality Action Plan for 2009-2012 (Annex C)
- (2) Agree the proposals to seek equality accreditation from the Improvement and Department Agency (IDeA) in November 2010.
- (3) Agree the refreshed equalities scheme and the three year equality impact assessment programme (Annexes A and B)
- (4) Note the equality achievements made during 2009/2010.

Value for Money and Performance

9. **2010/11 Corporate Improvement Plan** (Pages 121 - 134)

7.25 pm

Report of Chief Executive and Head of Improvement

Summary

This report presents the proposed 2010/11 Corporate Improvement Plan.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

(1) Agree the 2010/11 Corporate Improvement Plan and associated 2010/11 Value for Money Review Programme

Urgent Business

10. Urgent Business

Any other items which the Chairman has decided is urgent.

(Meeting scheduled to close at 7.45 pm)

Information about this Agenda

Apologies for Absence

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Declarations of Interest

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Personal Interest: Members must declare the interest but may stay in the room, debate and vote on the issue.

Prejudicial Interest: Member must withdraw from the meeting room and should inform the Chairman accordingly.

With the exception of the some very specific circumstances, a Member with a personal interest also has a prejudicial interest if it is one which a Member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest.

Local Government and Finance Act 1992 – Budget Setting, Contracts & Supplementary Estimates

Members are reminded that any member who is two months in arrears with Council Tax must declare the fact and may speak but not vote on any decision which involves budget setting, extending or agreeing contracts or incurring expenditure not provided for in the agreed budget for a given year and could affect calculations on the level of Council Tax.

Queries Regarding this Agenda

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