

**Summary of the decisions taken at the meeting
of the Executive held on 2 March 2009**

1. Date of publication of this summary:-

3 March 2009

2. Decisions (if any) taken as a matter of urgency under Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 16 (and not therefore subject to the call-in procedure):-

None

3. Date by which notice of call-in of any of the following decisions must be received in writing by the Chief Executive (see notes below):-

Noon on Friday 6 March 2009

4. Notes:-

- (a) For background documentation to the following decisions, please refer to the agenda and supporting papers (copies of which are available on the Council's website (www.cherwell-dc.gov.uk) or from the Head of Legal and Democratic Services);
- (b) Notice of call-in must be submitted in writing, by email or text to the Chief Executive by the deadline specified above, and must state the reason or reasons why "call-in" has been requested;
- (c) Call-in can be requested by any six non-executive members of the Council.

However, if at any point during a municipal year the total number of opposition councillors is six or less the total number of non-executive members required to call-in a decision shall be the total number of opposition councillors less two.
- (d) Decisions not called-in by the deadline specified above will become effective immediately the deadline has expired (unless they are recommendations to the Council).
- (e) The Council has stipulated that the call-in procedure should not be used to challenge decisions as a matter of course and should be used only when fully justified.

**M Harpley
Chief Executive**

Decisions

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5	Minutes	Agreed
6	<p>Forward Plan</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) To resolve to note the Leader's Forward Plan for the next four months.</p>	Agreed
7	<p>Integrated Parking Strategy , Residents Parking and Parking Enforcement</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended to:</p> <p>(1) For Civil Parking Enforcement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the proposals and outline timetable for the introduction of Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) across the Cherwell District. b) Approve negotiations with Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) on the basis of implementing CPE in Cherwell on the basis of no or lowest cost to the Council. c) Approve investigation of a phase two which considers on street paid parking provided that there are benefits to the Council in doing so. d) Report back on progress early in 2009/10. <p>(2) Approve the interim and long-term proposals for the Bicester Residents Parking Scheme, and to delegate the confirmation of final scheme details to the Head of Urban and Rural Services in consultation with the Executive Member for Urban and Rural Services.</p>	<p>Agreed, with the amendment:</p> <p>Recommendation 5b) replace "Executive Member for Urban and Rural Services" with "Executive Leader".</p>

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	<p>(3) Approve the process for considering a Residents Parking Scheme for Banbury, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The scheme principles b) The consultation process c) The outline timescales d) The amendment to the previously agreed evaluation criteria e) That areas consulted that do not wish Residents Parking to be introduced are not re-consulted within a two year time period. <p>(4) Note the implementation of the Council's revised Vehicle Parks Enforcement Policy as approved at the October 2008 Executive.</p> <p>(5) For Hackney Carriage ranks in Banbury, Bicester and Kidlington</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Note progress on the provision of Hackney Carriage ranks in Banbury, Bicester and Kidlington. b) Approve the delegation of any decision on additional and /or amendments to existing ranks to the Head of Urban and Rural Services in consultation with the Executive Member for Urban and Rural Services. 	
8	<p>Choice Based Lettings Scheme - Allocations Policy</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) To approve the adoption of the Allocation Scheme as at Appendix 1, effective from 1 June 2009. (2) To delegate to the Head of Housing Service in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning & Housing the authority to amend this effective 	Agreed

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	date, if required.	
9	<p>Juniper Hill Conservation Area Appraisal</p> <p>Report of Head of Planning and Affordable Housing Policy</p> <p>Summary</p> <p>To report on the consultation responses to the draft review of the Conservation Area appraisal.</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) To resolve, under Section 69 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, to approve the Juniper Hill Conservation Area appraisal and to extend the boundary with immediate effect</p>	Agreed
10	<p>Treasury Management Strategy</p> <p>Report of Strategic Director Customer Service and Resources and Chief Accountant</p> <p>**Please note Appendix 1 is to follow**</p> <p>Summary</p> <p>This report sets out the strategy and policy framework for treasury operations for 2009/10 and outlines the Council's prudential indicators for 2009/10 – 2012/13 as approved by Council on 23 February 2009. It fulfils two key requirements of the Local Government Act 2003:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • approval of the Treasury Management Policy in accordance with the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management; and • approval of the Investment Strategy in accordance with the DCLG investment guidance. 	Agreed

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	<p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>1) to recommend to Council approval of the Treasury Management Policy and Investment Strategy 2009/10.</p>	
11	<p>Risk Management Strategy</p> <p>Report of Strategic Director Customer Service and Resources</p> <p>Summary</p> <p>To present an updated Risk Management Strategy for the Executive to approve and adopt.</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) To approve and adopt the updated Risk Management Strategy as outlined in Appendix A.</p>	<p>Agreed, subject to any comments from the Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee.</p>
12	<p>Service Delivery in Kidlington</p> <p>Report of Customer Services and Information Systems</p> <p>Summary</p> <p>To report on research conducted into service access in Kidlington and to ask the Executive to support the preferred option for the development of multi-agency service delivery in Kidlington</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended to:</p> <p>(1) Support the proposal to fully investigate the provision of a multi-agency service point at Exeter Hall in Kidlington in partnership with Kidlington Parish Council, and the development of a programme of co-hosted service delivery activities with the</p>	<p>Agreed</p>

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	<p>Oxfordshire Library Service.</p> <p>(2) Request that a report on the outcome of that investigation be brought forward to the Executive at its meeting in July 2009.</p>	
<p>13</p>	<p>Parsons Street Pedestrianisation Scheme Traffic Regulation Order</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) That the draft Parsons Street, Bridge Street and Market Place Order be amended to delete the evening core period between 8.00pm and 1.00am each day, in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation.</p> <p>(2) To amend the draft order to make it clear that the exemption for vehicles delivering mail extends to all Licensed Postal Operators, as defined by the Postal Services Commission, following de-regulation of postal services.</p> <p>(3) To vary the arrangements relating to the issue of residential exemption certificates issued to residents having private off-street parking spaces within the area, to enable them to have two certificates per space which can be used by residents or visitors.</p> <p>(4) To vary the arrangements relating to commercial exemption certificates similarly, so that two certificates can be issued in respect of each private business parking space.</p> <p>(5) To vary the arrangements relating to commercial exemption certificates issued to the owners of private business parking spaces, street and market traders, to entitle them to enter the pedestrianised areas during the core period, for the purposes of</p>	<p>Agreed</p>

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	<p>accessing their premises or stall.</p> <p>(6) To seek the County Council's authority to make an amendment order to amend the existing High Street and Sheep street Orders, to make similar provisions for commercial exemption certificates.</p> <p>(7) To make other minor adjustments to the wording of the draft order recommended by the Inspector to clarify the Council's intentions.</p> <p>(8) To advertise the Council's intention to make these amendments, and consider any objections received at a future meeting.</p>	
14	<p>Food Waste Recycling Service</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) To note the proposed timescales for the plans in launching a Food Waste recycling scheme using the existing brown bin</p> <p>(2) To authorise the launch of food recycling across the district from October 2009 subject to a satisfactory analysis of the financial and environmental impacts of the interim arrangements.</p>	Agreed
15	<p>Performance Management Framework Quarter 3 Report</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>1) To note the progress made on delivering against the Corporate Scorecard and the other performance frameworks appended to this report.</p> <p>2) To note the responses to the issues</p>	Agreed, with the deletion of recommendation 3 and renumbered accordingly. The recommendation was out of date due to the deferment of this report due to bad weather in February 2009.

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	<p>raised in the 2nd quarter report and to seek further information in the next quarterly Performance Management Framework report if required.</p> <p>3) To agree that in the next quarterly report there will be an update on the impact of the economic downturn on:</p> <p>a) The Council's ability to deliver the 2008/09 corporate targets of 400 new homes and the creation of 200 gross new jobs and the impact on our targets in these areas for 2009/10.</p> <p>b) The income received through building control, planning applications and land charges during 2008/09, the projections for 2009/10 and the proposals for responding to a sustained drop in income as embodied in the 2009/10 budget.</p> <p>c) The progress of key development projects such as Banbury Canalside, Bicester Town Centre and South West Bicester.</p> <p>4) To agree that in the next quarterly report there will be an update on the following:</p> <p>a) The target for reducing acquisitive crime by 5% is unlikely to be met and current projections suggest a 2% reduction will be achieved.</p> <p>b) The amount of waste sent to landfill. This is expected to be reduced by a minimum of 1400 tonnes but with the real possibility of further improvement to achieve the annual target of 1500 tonnes.</p> <p>c) The worsening performance on fly tipping and prosecutions.</p> <p>d) The time taken to process</p>	

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	<p>minor and other planning applications. These met 59% and 71% of the respective performance targets and are rated Red and there has been a slight deterioration in the performance of both since the last quarter.</p> <p>e) The delay in introducing the Food Waste Recycling Service. It is now likely to be Autumn 2009 before the delayed local food waste processing facility is built by the County Council.</p> <p>f) The increase in the number of days lost through sickness from 3.58 per full time employee a year to 6.31.</p>	