

Committee: Executive
Date: Monday 11 May 2009
Time: 6.30 pm
Venue: Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor Barry Wood (Chairman)	Councillor G A Reynolds (Vice-Chairman)	
Councillor Norman Bolster	Councillor Kieron Mallon	Councillor Nicholas Turner
Councillor Michael Gibbard	Councillor Nigel Morris	
Councillor James Macnamara	Councillor D M Pickford	

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 - 4)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 27 April 2009.

6. **Forward Plan** (Pages 5 - 14)

6.35 pm

Report of Leader of the Council

Summary

To review the Leader's Forward Plan of the key decisions which will be taken by the Executive over the next four months.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

- 1) Resolve to note the Leader's Forward Plan for the next four months.

Strategy and Policy

7. **Overview & Scrutiny report: Rural Affordable Housing** (Pages 15 - 126) **6.40 pm**

Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Summary

To consider the Overview and Scrutiny Committee report on Rural Affordable Housing and Exception Sites.

Cllr Donaldson, Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, will attend the meeting to present the report.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

- 1) Note the work of the Task and Finish Group scrutiny review into rural affordable housing and exception sites as detailed in Appendix 1a;
- 2) Agree the Overview and Scrutiny Committee recommendations regarding rural affordable housing and exception sites as detailed in Appendix 1a.

8. **Cherwell Biodiversity Action Plan** (Pages 127 - 134)

7.10 pm

Report of Head of Urban and Rural Services

Summary

To explain key changes in biodiversity legislation, policy and issues since the publication of the Cherwell Biodiversity Action Plan 2005-2010 (BAP). To consider the production of a revised and updated Cherwell Biodiversity Action Plan.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

- 1) Note the key changes in biodiversity legislation, policy and issues since the publication of the current Cherwell Biodiversity Action Plan.
- 2) Approve the production of a revised and updated Cherwell Biodiversity Action Plan which works towards a rich and diverse local natural where wildlife is conserved and the benefits of nature are available to everyone.

9. Kidlington Conservation Areas: Responses to Draft Appraisal and Designation of Conservations Areas at Crown Road and Langford Lane Wharf - Approval of Final Appraisal (Pages 135 - 226) 7.20 pm

Report of Head of Planning and Affordable Housing.

Summary

Local Authorities have a duty under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 to review Conservation Areas from time to time.

Recommendation

The Executive is recommended to:

- 1) Resolve, under Section 69 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, to approve the Kidlington Conservation Areas appraisal, to extend the boundaries of Church Street, High Street and The Rookery Conservation Areas, and to designate Crown Road and Langford Lane Wharf Conservation Areas with immediate effect.

10. Cottisford Conservation Area Appraisal: Consideration of Responses to Consultation Draft and Approval of Final Appraisal (Pages 227 - 262) 7.25 pm

Report of Head of Planning and Affordable Housing Policy

Summary

Local Authorities have a duty under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 to review Conservation Areas from time to time.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

- 1) Resolve, under Section 69 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, to approve the Cottisford Conservation Area appraisal and to extend the boundary with immediate effect

11. **Parsons Street Pedestrianisation** (Pages 263 - 267)

7.30 pm

Report of Head of Economic Development and Estates

Summary

To confirm modifications to the revised draft Parsons Street/Market Place traffic regulation Order (TRO), Banbury and to progress amendments to the traffic regulations Orders for High Street, Broad Street and Butchers Row, Banbury and Sheep Street, Bicester.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

- 1) Agree that the Bridge Street, Market Place, Cornhill and Parsons Street Traffic regulation Order, as modified on 2 March 2009, be made
- 2) Agree that the Council enter into a revised agency agreement with OCC, authorising the Council to make the TRO as modified, and to promote amendments to the existing High Street, Broad Street and Butchers Row Banbury TRO, and the Sheep Street Bicester TRO, in order to ensure that the arrangements for the issue of exemption certificates are consistent
- 3) Agree that the Council enter into an Agreement with OCC under s278 of the Highways Act 1980, authorising the Council to undertake the works for Parsons Street/Market Place, Bridge Street and Church Walk/Church Lane
- 4) Promote amendments to the existing High Street, Broad Street and Butchers Row Banbury traffic regulation orders, and the Sheep Street Bicester traffic regulation order, in order to ensure that the arrangements for the issue of exemption certificates are consistent

Value for Money and Performance

12. **Corporate Procurement Progress Report** (Pages 268 - 293)

7.40 pm

** Appendix 4 to follow **

Report of the Strategic Director Customer Service and Resources

Summary

To provide an update of progress made to date in respect of the Corporate Procurement Programme of Activities approved by the Executive on 3 March 2008.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

- 1) Note the progress made to date in respect of the Corporate Procurement Programme of Activities

- 2) Note the progress in respect of the establishment of the centralised procurement function

Urgent Business

13. Urgent Business

Any other items which the Chairman has decided is urgent.

(Meeting scheduled to close at 7.55 pm)

Information about this Agenda

Apologies for Absence

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Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare interests at item 2 on the agenda or if arriving after the start of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item. The definition of personal and prejudicial interests is set out in Part 5 Section A of the constitution. The Democratic Support Officer will have a copy available for inspection at all meetings.

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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