

## Summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive held on 11 May 2009

1. Date of publication of this summary:-

12 May 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 15 May 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.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 callin 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**

Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item and Recommendations	Decision
3	Forward Plan  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.	Agreed
4	Overview & Scrutiny report: Rural Affordable Housing 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.	Agreed subject to the additional resolutions:  1) That Officers be requested to produce a further report on the potential advantages and disadvantages of employing directly an Enabling Officer  2) That Officers be requested to produce a further report requesting relevant outside bodies to release land for rural exception sites  3) That Officers be requested to produce a further report explaining how the work of the Rural Housing Trust has been taken up by other organisations.
5	Cherwell Biodiversity Action Plan Report of Head of Urban and Rural	Agreed subject to the amendment of recommendation 2 as follows:

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	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.	2) That Officers be requested to produce a further report detailing the costs and benefits of a Biodiversity Action Plan before we proceed to develop one.
	Recommendations	
	The Executive is recommended to:	
	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.	
6	Kidlington Conservation Areas: Responses to Draft Appraisal and Designation of Conservations Areas at Crown Road and Langford Lane Wharf - Approval of Final Appraisal	Agreed
	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:	
	Resolve, under Section 69 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, to approve the Kidlington	

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	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.	
7	Cottisford Conservation Area Appraisal: Consideration of Responses to Consultation Draft and Approval of Final Appraisal  Report of Head of Planning and Affordable Housing Policy  Summary	Agreed
	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:	
	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	
8	Parsons Street Pedestrianisation	Agreed
	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	

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	Sheep Street, Bicester.	
	Recommendations	
	The Executive is recommended to:	
	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	
9	Corporate Procurement Progress Report	Agreed
	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	

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	approved by the Executive on 3 March 2008.	
	Recommendations	
	The Executive is recommended to:	
	Note the progress made to date in respect of the Corporate     Procurement Programme of Activities	
	Note the progress in respect of the establishment of the centralised procurement function	