

Committee: Executive

Date: Monday 2 July 2012

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 John Donaldson
Councillor Tony llott
Councillor D M Pickford
Councillor Norman Bolster
Councillor Michael Gibbard
Councillor Nigel Morris
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 - 12)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 June 2012.

Strategy and Policy

6. Low Carbon Energy Strategy 2012 and Use of Natural Resources (Pages 13 - 56)

Report of Head of Environmental Services

Summary

This report considers the newly drafted Low Carbon Environmental Strategy 2012 as well as the progress of the Use of Natural Resources Group in delivering the Council's Low Carbon Management Plan.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended:

- (1) To approve the Low Carbon Environmental Strategy 2012 and its action plan.
- (2) To note the achievements of the Use of Natural Resources Group in delivering the Carbon Management Plan in 2011/12.
- (3) To note future initiatives of the Use of Natural Resources Group in delivering the Carbon Management Plan in 2012/13.

Service Delivery and Innovation

7. **Banbury Brighter Futures** (Pages 57 - 100)

6.45pm

Report of Director of Environment and Community

Summary

To consider a review of the second full year of the Brighter Futures Programme in Banbury and the proposed emphasis in the third and subsequent years.

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended:

- (1) To note the good progress made in the second year of the Brighter Futures Programme.
- (2) To support the areas of emphasis and proposed activity in 2012/13.
- (3) To receive further reports as appropriate on progress.

Value for Money and Performance

8. Local Government Resources Review and Welfare Reform Overview (Pages 101 - 116) 7.00 pm

Report of Head of Finance and Procurement

Summary

This report summarises the Local Government Resources Review project and provides a welfare reform overview

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended:

- (1) To note the contents of this report and the initial indications of the impact for the Council.
- (2) To approve the suggested consultation and timetable for Council Tax support.
- (3) To approve in principle an application for pooling with Oxfordshire councils for Business Rates localisation.
- (4) To note that a further report will be presented in September 2012 outlining progress and the impact on the Medium Term Financial Strategy.

Urgent Business

9. Urgent Business

Any other items which the Chairman has decided is urgent.

(Meeting scheduled to close at 7.15pm)

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