



Meeting of Council

Monday 13 December 2021

Members of Cherwell District Council,

A meeting of Council will be held at Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, Oxon OX15 4AA on Monday 13 December 2021 at 6.30 pm, and you are hereby summoned to attend.

**Yvonne Rees
Chief Executive**

Friday 3 December 2021

AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest

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

3 Communications (Pages 7 - 8)

To receive communications from the Chair and/or the Leader of the Council.

4 Thames Valley Police - Address by Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley, Matthew Barber, and the Chief Constable of Thames Valley Police, John Campbell, will be invited to address Council.

Members will then have an opportunity to ask questions of the Police and Crime Commissioner, the Chief Constable and Superintendent Emma Garside.

5 Petitions and Requests to Address the Meeting

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

The deadline to request to present a petition has passed (29 November 2021).

Addresses may be presented by:

- A Local Government elector for the area,
- A person who is wholly or mainly resident in the area,
- A Council Taxpayer or National Non-Domestic Ratepayer for the area

Addresses must be on an item on the Agenda before the meeting and not exceed 5 minutes. No person may address more than one meeting on any particular issue.

Requests to address the meeting (including the reason for the address) should be submitted to democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk The deadline for requests to address this meeting is noon on Friday 10 December 2021.

Full details of public participation at meetings is available in the Constitution.

6 Urgent Business

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

7 Minutes of Council (Pages 9 - 18)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of Council held on 18 October 2021.

8 Minutes

- a) Minutes of Executive, Lead Member Decisions and Executive Decisions not included in the 28 day notice

The Leader of the Council to formally propose that the minutes of the meetings of the Executive and Lead Member Decisions as set out in the Minute Book (circulated separately) be received and to report that since the last meeting of Council held on 18 October 2021, one key decision has been taken by the Executive which was not included in the 28 day notice, an exempt decision relating to Castle Quay.

- b) Minutes of Committees

The Leader of the Council to formally propose that the minutes of committees as set out in the Minute Book (circulated separately) be received.

9 Questions (Pages 19 - 20)

a) Written Questions

One written question has been submitted with advance notice in accordance with the Constitution. This is attached to the agenda.

Question from:	Question topic:
Councillor Cherry	Sunshine Centre, Banbury

A written response to the questions will be published on the working day before the meeting.

The Member who submitted the written question may ask a supplementary question provided it is relevant to the reply and does not introduce any new matter. The Member to whom the question was addressed may reply to such supplementary question or undertake to reply in writing.

b) Questions to the Leader of the Council

The Chair to invite questions to the Leader of the Council (including any matters arising from the minutes).

Following a response to their question being provided Members will be entitled to a follow up or supplementary question.

c) Questions to Committee Chairmen on the Minutes

The Chair to invite questions to Chairmen of Committees on any matter arising from the minutes of their committee (if any).

Council Business Reports

10 Council Tax Reduction Scheme and Council Tax Discounts 2022-2023

** Please note this report will follow. Executive are considering the matter at their 6 December 2021 meeting and will agree a recommendation to Council **

Report of Director of Finance

11 Standards Arrangements - Appointment of Independent Persons

** Please note that this report will follow as interviews do not conclude until after agenda publication **

Report of Director of Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer

12 Delegation to Appoint External Auditor (Pages 21 - 26)

Report of Director of Finance

Purpose of report

This report asks the Council to agree how external auditors will be appointed from the financial year 2023/24.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended to:

- 1.1 allow Public Sector Audit Appointments Ltd (PSAA) to appoint external auditors on behalf of the Council.

13 Amendments to Committee Membership

Group Leaders to advise Council of any changes to the membership of committees for their political group.

Council will be asked to note any amendments to committee membership.

14 Amendment to Outside Body Representative

Councillor Donaldson was appointed the council's representative to the to the Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee at the 19 May 2021 Annual Meeting.

Councillor Donaldson has advised that, due to other commitments, he is no longer able to act as the council's representative. The Leader of the Council will report on the proposed representative in place of Councillor Donaldson.

Recommendation

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To appoint a representative to the Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

15 Motions (Pages 27 - 28)

To debate the following motions which have been submitted with advance notice, in accordance with the Constitution (to be debated in the order submitted).

Topic	Proposer	Seconder
Climate Change Emergency Response	Councillor Ian Middleton	TBC

Please note that the deadline to submit motions has passed. The deadline for Members to submit amendments to motions is noon on Thursday 9 December 2021 to democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk No amendments will be permitted after this deadline.

Any amendments submitted will be published as a supplement to the agenda on the afternoon of Friday 10 December 2021. Amendments to motions will be dealt with in the order submitted.

For information

Please note: Members are advised that written questions and motions for the next Council meeting on Monday 28 February 2022 must be submitted to the Director of Law and Governance, democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk, by noon on Wednesday 16 February 2022.

Councillors are requested to collect any post from their pigeon hole in the Members Room at the end of the meeting.

Information about this Agenda

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence should be notified to democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk or 01295 221589 prior to the start of the meeting.

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.

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.

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