

**Committee:** Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Tuesday 14 March 2023

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, Oxon OX15 4AA

# Membership

Councillor Sandy Dallimore Councillor Douglas Webb (Vice-Chairman)

(Chairman)

Councillor Maurice Billington
Councillor John Broad
Councillor David Hingley
Councillor Ian Middleton
Councillor Dr Chukwudi Okeke
Councillor Mike Bishop
Councillor Ian Harwood
Councillor Matt Hodgson
Councillor Perran Moon
Councillor Bryn Williams

Substitutes Any member of the relevant political group, excluding

**Executive members** 

# **AGENDA**

Overview and Scrutiny Members should not normally be subject to the party whip. Where a member is subject to a party whip they must declare this at the beginning of the meeting and it should be recorded in the minutes.

# 1. Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members

#### 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.

**Minutes** (Pages 5 - 16)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 2023 and 24 January 2023.

#### 4. Chairman's Announcements

To receive communications from the Chairman.

# 5. Urgent Business

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

# 6. Community Safety Update

The Assistant Director Regulatory Services and Community Safety will give a presentation to brief the Committee on work being undertaken in relation to Community Safety.

#### Recommendation

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 To note the verbal update

# 7. Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Action Plans (Pages 17 - 38)

To seek the committee's views on the draft action plans for delivering the council's equality, diversity and inclusion commitments for creating inclusive communities and inclusive services, which are set out in its Equalities Framework, Including Everyone.

## Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To review the draft action plans for Inclusive Communities and Inclusive Services and provide comments for the Executive Committee to consider at its April meeting.
- 1.2 To recommend to the Executive Committee that there is a delegation of authority to the Assistant Director for Customer Focus to make minor amendments to the agreed Inclusive Communities and Services Action Plans in consultation with the portfolio holder and Chair of the EDI working group.

#### 8. Performance Outcomes Framework 2023/24

The Performance & Insight Team Leader will give a presentation to the Committee detailing the Councils' Performance Outcomes Framework 2023/24.

#### Recommendation

1.1 To note the Performance Outcomes Framework 2023/24.

# 9. Oxfordshire Net Zero Route Map and Action Plan (Pages 39 - 134)

To provide an overview of the "Oxfordshire Net Zero Route Map and Action Plan" which can be found in Appendix I. The report sets out the context for the production of the Route Map and Action Plan, along with detail of the structure and key areas of activity, such as decarbonising buildings and transport across the district.

During recent years, Cherwell has worked collaboratively on the climate change agenda with the county council and other authorities in Oxfordshire leading to successful outcomes, such as the Park & Charge EV infrastructure in our car parks. This approach has led to investment in the district, whilst minimising the resource impact upon staff, e.g. to deal with procurement, project management etc. The Route Map and Action Plan focus on the areas of activity which can be enabled through joint working with our local authority partners.

#### Recommendations

The meeting is recommended to:

1.1 Support the proposed Route Map and Action Plan which seeks to deliver the ambitions of the Pathways to a Zero Carbon Oxfordshire (PaZCO) 2021 report.

## 10. Working Groups Update (Pages 135 - 136)

A written update on work undertaken so far by the Food Insecurity working group.

#### Recommendation

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 To consider and comment on the work undertaken to date.

## 11. Work Programme 2023/24 (Pages 137 - 138)

A written update on the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2023/24.

#### Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 To consider and agree the indicative work programme 2023/24.

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

# Information about this Meeting

# **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence should be notified to <a href="mailto:democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk">democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk</a> or 01295 221534 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

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