

Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday 28 July 2022

Time: 6.30 pm

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

Membership

Councillor Sandy Dallimore (Chairman) Councillor Douglas Webb (Vice-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.

3. **Minutes** (Pages 5 - 8)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 1 June 2022.

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. Attendance of the Leader of the Council

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Barry Wood, will attend to give an overview of work currently being undertaken by the Executive.

7. Climate Change

Report of Corporate Director Communities.

Please note this report is 'to follow'

8. Strategic Partnership with Oxfordshire County Council - Decoupling (Pages 9 - 14)

The Chief Operating Officer will give a presentation on progress of decoupling and the next steps.

Full Council considered a report on 18 July 2022 regarding disbanding of Joint Shared Services and Personnel Committee and Joint Appeals Panel, this is attached for reference as it provides useful background information.

9. Working Groups 2022-23 - approval of scoping documents (Pages 15 - 20)

The Parish Engagement and Member Education and Training working groups will be continuing their work during 2022-23.

The scoping document for each group has been updated to reflect work that will take place this year. Once approved, these will act as the terms of reference for each working group.

Members are in the process of being appointed to each working group, and meeting dates will be arranged once the membership of each group is confirmed.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To approve the Parish Engagement scoping document.
- 1.2 To approve the Member Education and Training scoping document.

1.3 To delegate authority to the Assistant Director Law, Governance and Democratic Services (interim), in consultation with the working group Chairman, to make minor amendments to the scoping documents.

10. Work Programme 2022/23 (Pages 21 - 22)

There are two documents for the Committee to consider:

Appendix 1 – work programme for 2022-23 (to follow).

Appendix 2 – update on items previously considered.

Feedback is currently being gathered from relevant officers, including proposed submission dates to committee, regarding the subjects raised at the informal work programme session that took place on 30 June 2022. An updated work programme will be published prior to the meeting.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To consider and agree the work programme 2022-23 (to follow).
- 1.2 To consider and comment on the items previously considered by Committee.

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 democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk or 01295 221953 / 01295 221591 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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Queries Regarding this Agenda

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Yvonne Rees Chief Executive

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