



Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Date: Tuesday 30 January 2024
Time: 6.30 pm
Venue: Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, Oxon OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor John Broad (Chairman)	Councillor Dr Isabel Creed (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Patrick Clarke	Councillor Ian Harwood
Councillor Simon Holland	Councillor Ian Middleton
Councillor Dr Chukwudi Okeke	Councillor Lynne Parsons
Councillor Rob Pattenden	Councillor Dorothy Walker
Councillor Douglas Webb	Councillor Bryn Williams

Substitutes Any member of the relevant political group, excluding Executive members

AGENDA

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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 7 - 14)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 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. **Attendance of Thames Valley Police Chief Constable and Police and Crime Commissioner**

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley, Matthew Barber (attending virtually), and the Chief Constable of Thames Valley Police, Jason Hogg (in person), will be in attendance to address the Committee.

Members will have an opportunity to ask questions, please submit any questions to the Democratic and Elections Team in advance of the meeting.

All Members of the Council are invited to attend the meeting for this item.

7. **Future Oxfordshire Partnership - Scrutiny Panel Update**

The Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel will meet on 22 January. The agenda is publicly available via the [Vale of White Horse website](#).

Two of the Cherwell District Council appointed representatives to the Scrutiny Panel – Councillors John Broad and Sean Woodcock – will give a verbal update to the Committee on the outcome of the meeting.

8. **Performance Monitoring Report Quarter 3, 2023-2024** (Pages 15 - 50)

Report of Assistant Director – Customer Focus

Purpose of report

To give the committee an update on the council's progress towards delivering its priorities for 2023/24 during the third quarter of the financial year.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended to:

- 1.1 Review the Council's Quarter 3 performance for 2023/24 and provide any comments or recommendations for the Executive Committee to consider on the 5 February 2024 meeting.

9. **Annual Delivery Plan 2024-25**

The Corporate Director – Resources will present an update on the draft Annual Delivery Plan for 2024-25.

10. **Cost of Living Crisis - Action Plan Update**

Verbal update by Assistant Director – Wellbeing and Housing

At its meeting in October, Executive considered a report that detailed a [Cost of Living Crisis Action Plan](#) (item 35 refers) to cover Winter 2023, that had been drafted following a motion to Full Council in July 2023.

Executive approved the development of an evaluation framework to track progress of the action plan, to form the basis of detailed updates to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

The Assistant Director – Wellbeing and Housing will present the update on progress of the action plan.

11. **Climate Action Working Group - updated Terms of Reference** (Pages 51 - 58)

Report of Principal Officer – Scrutiny and Democratic Lead

Purpose of report

To present updated Terms of Reference for the Climate Action Working Group to the Committee, for consideration and approval.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To approve the amended Terms of Reference for the Climate Action Working Group (Appendix 1 to the report).

12. **Working Group Updates - January 2024** (Pages 59 - 60)

An update on work undertaken since the last Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 28 November 2023 by the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, Food Insecurity and Climate Action working groups.

Recommendation

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To consider and comment on the work undertaken since the last Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 28 November 2023.

13. **Work Programme 2023-24** (Pages 61 - 62)

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

Recommendation

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

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Declarations of Interest

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Queries Regarding this Agenda

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