

Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Date: Tuesday 14 July 2009
Time: 6.30 pm
Venue Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor Daniel Sames (Chairman)	Councillor Lynda Thirzie Smart (Vice-Chairman)	
Councillor Ann Bonner	Councillor Tony Ilott	Councillor Trevor Stevens
Councillor Nick Cotter	Councillor P A O'Sullivan	Councillor Lawrie Stratford
Councillor John Donaldson	Councillor Neil Prestidge	
Councillor Alastair Milne Home	Councillor Chris Smithson	

Substitutes Councillor Devena Rae, Councillor Simon Holland, Councillor Rose Stratford and Councillor John Wyse

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. Urgent Business

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

4. Minutes (Pages 1 - 10)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 9 June 2009.

5. Sustainable Communities Strategy (Pages 11 - 43)

Presentation by the Community and Corporate Planning Manager.

This is an opportunity for the Committee to learn more about the Council's development of the Sustainable Communities Strategy, in particular the current status of the project and the next steps, and to consider what contribution they wish to make.

6. Work Programme 2009/10 - potential topics for scrutiny (Pages 44 - 69)

Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

To consider potential items for inclusion on the 2009/10 work programme as subjects of detailed scrutiny review:

- Planning for an ageing population
- Youth Facility provision
- Preparations for the 2012 Olympics regarding the tourism potential for the district.

The Head of Recreation and Health and the Head of Safer Communities and Community Development will be present for this discussion.

7. RAF Bicester (Pages 70 - 78)

Report of the Strategic Director, Planning, Housing and Economy

To consider recent developments regarding the status and future of RAF Bicester and the implications for the policies of this Council.

The Portfolio Holder and officers from Planning & Affordable Housing Policy and Development Control & Major Developments will be present for this discussion.

8. Work Programme 2009/10 (Pages 79 - 92)

Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

To identify any issues arising from the Forward Plan and to monitor progress on the following work programme items:

- Emergency Planning
- Concessionary Travel
- Rural Affordable Housing
- Residents Parking

Information about this Agenda

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence should be notified to democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk or 01295 221587 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. The definition of personal and prejudicial interests is set out in Part 5 Section A of the constitution. The Democratic Support Officer will have a copy available for inspection at all meetings.

Personal Interest: Members must declare the interest but may stay in the room, debate and vote on the issue.

Prejudicial Interest: Member must withdraw from the meeting room and should inform the Chairman accordingly.

With the exception of the some very specific circumstances, a Member with a personal interest also has a prejudicial interest if it is one which a Member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest.

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.

Queries Regarding this Agenda

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