

**Summary of the Decisions Taken at the Meeting
of Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 14 January 2014**

Decisions

Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item and Recommendations	Decision and Actions
6	<p>Five Year Business Strategy</p> <p>Report of Head of Transformation.</p> <p>Purpose of report</p> <p>To review the Council's draft five year Business Strategy and emerging priorities for the annual business plan.</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The meeting is recommended:</p> <p>1.1 To review and note the strategic priorities</p> <p>1.2 To identify any specific items, projects or measures for consideration by Executive.</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the strategic priorities be noted.</p> <p>(2) That Executive be asked to consider the following additional objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regarding b4 ('Reduce our carbon footprint and protect the natural environment') – add key objective 'Work with partners to reduce carbon emissions across the district.' • Regarding c2 ('Work with Partners to support financial inclusion and help local people into paid employment') – amend Brighter Futures bullet point to include for spreading the lessons learnt across the district as a whole. • Regarding c6 ('Provide support to the voluntary and community sector') – include some reference to promoting opportunities for young people. • Make some reference to promoting tourism within the district.

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		<p>(3) That, with respect to key objective and milestone (a5) 'Develop the role of the Cherwell Investment Partnership, to provide a hub for inward investment', the item be placed on the Committees work programme for an officer briefing.</p> <p>(4) That, with respect to key objective and milestone (d5) 'Commission and introduce a new asset management strategy', the item be placed on the Committees work programme as a potential topic for a scrutiny review.</p> <p>(5) That details of all Service Plans, together with budget information and details of how targets were to be achieved be advised to all members as soon as possible.</p>
7	<p>Air Quality</p> <p>To receive a briefing on the monitoring of air quality across the District by the Environmental Protection Officer.</p> <p>This item was retained on the work programme following initial consideration by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee in October 2012</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the Environmental Protection Officer be requested to provide Committee members with details of the Hennef Way Air Quality Management Area Steering Group, together with information on measures the Council would consider appropriate if the current additional monitoring showed action was needed.</p> <p>(2) That the Democratic and Elections Officer, in consultation with the Chairman, be requested to send letters on behalf of the Committee to Oxfordshire County Council's Banbury County Localities Committee and Bicester County Localities Committee and the Deputy Leader</p>

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		<p>requesting consideration be given to the issue of air quality.</p> <p>(3) That this item be retained on the work programme.</p>
8	<p>Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme</p> <p>Report of Head of Law and Governance</p> <p>Purpose of Report</p> <p>This report presents the Overview and Scrutiny work programme 2013/14 for consideration.</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The meeting is recommended:</p> <p>1.1 To consider the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2013/14 as set out at Appendix 1 of the report.</p> <p>1.2 To note any items of interest in the Executive Work Programme and consider whether to include them on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work programme 2013/14.</p> <p>1.3 To consider if there are any other items Members would like to include on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme.</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2013/14 be noted.</p> <p>(2) That no items in the current version of the Executive Work Programme (February 2014 to May 2014) be included on the Work Programme for 2013/14.</p> <p>(3) That, with regard to the informal meeting being held on 12 February to review the Housing service plan, officers be requested to provide information on the following areas: Homelessness; the empty homes policy; Affordable Housing; self-build; the Build Project; the Council's policy regarding the disposal of property by Registered Social Landlords (RSL's) in order to raise funds and build new properties; the impact of new legislation (Spare room subsidy); the Council's relationship with RSL's (how many properties did they have in the various parts of the district?); actions of private landlords and the subsequent impact on housing need.</p> <p>(4) That the update in respect of the Landscape Maintenance contract be noted.</p>