

Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Date: Tuesday 13 October 2015
Time: 6.30 pm
Venue: Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA

Membership

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| Councillor David Hughes (Chairman) | Councillor Lynn Pratt (Vice-Chairman) |
| Councillor Claire Bell | Councillor Timothy Hallchurch MBE |
| Councillor Chris Heath | Councillor Matt Johnstone |
| Councillor Alastair Milne Home | Councillor James Porter |
| Councillor Neil Prestidge | Councillor Sandra Rhodes |
| Councillor Lawrie Stratford | Councillor Bryn Williams |

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 - 6)

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

5. **Chairman's Announcements**

To receive communications from the Chairman.

6. **Safeguarding** (Pages 7 - 14)

Report of Director of Community and Environment

Purpose of report

To present to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee a contextual document to assist the Committee in how best to consider this wide ranging and important subject.

Recommendations

The Committee is recommended:

- 1.1 To note the report and the current level of activity; and
- 1.2 To receive a further safeguarding report following the completion of the internal review process.

7. **To review and consider any disconnect between Planning Policy and the Allocation of Rural Affordable Housing** (Pages 15 - 138)

Report of the Head of Regeneration and Housing

Purpose of report

To review and consider any disconnect between planning policy and Cherwell's Allocations Scheme

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To note the contents of the report
- 1.2 To note further changes to Cherwell's Allocations Scheme adopted following the decision of Cherwell Executive on 1 June 2015.

8. Work Programme 2015/16 (Pages 139 - 148)

Report of the Head of Law and Governance

Purpose of report

This report presents the Overview and Scrutiny Committee work programme 2015/16 for consideration.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To consider the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2015/16 as set out at Appendix 1 of the report.
- 1.2 To reschedule items relating to review of local plan process and Wind Turbines and their locations, and the application of the fracturing mining technique
- 1.3 To appoint a representative to the Graven Hill Partnering Board, as requested by Executive
- 1.4 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 2015/16.
- 1.5 To consider if there are any other items Members would like to include on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme.

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

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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.

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Queries Regarding this Agenda

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