

Cherwell District Council

Executive

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive held at Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA, on 4 March 2019 at 6.30 pm

Present: Councillor Barry Wood (Chairman), Leader of the Council
Councillor G A Reynolds (Vice-Chairman), Deputy Leader of the Council

Councillor Colin Clarke, Lead Member for Planning
Councillor Ian Corkin, Lead Member for Customers and Transformation
Councillor John Donaldson, Lead Member for Housing
Councillor Tony Ilott, Lead Member for Financial Management and Governance
Councillor Andrew McHugh, Lead Member for Health and Wellbeing
Councillor D M Pickford, Lead Member for Housing
Councillor Lynn Pratt, Lead Member for Economy, Regeneration and Property

Also Present: Councillor Sean Woodcock, Leader of the Labour Group

Apologies for absence: Councillor Richard Mould, Lead Member for Performance

Officers: Graeme Kane, Chief Operating Officer (Deputy CEO)
Nick Graham, Director of Law and Governance / Monitoring Officer
Kelly Watson, Deputy Section 151 Officer
Gillian Douglas, Assistant Director: Housing
Ed Potter, Assistant Director: Environmental Services
Hedd Vaughan Evans, Assistant Director Performance and Transformation
Natasha Clark, Governance and Elections Manager

97 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

98 Petitions and Requests to Address the Meeting

There were no petitions or requests to address the meeting.

99 **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

100 **Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman advised the meeting that due to unforeseen technical issues, the microphones and webcasting were not working.

101 **Housing Strategy 2018 - 2023: 'Cherwell - A Place to Prosper'**

The Assistant Director: Social Care Commissioning and Housing submitted a report for Executive to consider and agree adoption of the Housing Strategy 2019-2024 and Action Plan 2019-20, taking in to account the results of the public consultation phase.

Resolved

- (1) That the Housing Strategy 2019-2024 and Action Plan 2019-2020 (annexes to the Minutes as set out in the Minute Book) be agreed for adoption and implementation.
- (2) That the results of the public consultation on the Strategy and how these have been taken in to account be noted.
- (3) That the equalities impact assessment that supports the Strategy be noted.

Reasons

The Housing Strategy sets out our priorities for responding to the wider housing needs of the district but with a focus on affordable housing which is the council's key role. It takes particular account of the current and future needs of groups such as older people, disabled people, young people, vulnerable families and people on low income. The housing needs of these groups are a priority in terms of their vulnerability, access to housing, affordability and achieving positive health outcomes.

It is not a statutory requirement to have a Housing Strategy but is seen as good practice in setting out the Council's priorities and plans for meeting housing need based on local assessments of need

Alternative options

Not to agree to adopt and implement to Housing Strategy 2019-2024 and Action Plan 2019-202.

102 **Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy**

The Assistant Director: Environmental Services submitted a report to gain the support and the endorsement of the Executive regarding the Oxfordshire Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy (JMWMS).

Resolved

- (1) That the contents and the challenges of the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy be noted.
- (2) That the Joint Management Waste Management Strategy to guide the delivery of waste management services in the Council be adopted.

Reasons

The Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy (JMWMS) is supported by the other five Oxfordshire authorities and fits in with the new National Resource and Waste Strategy.

The National Resource and Waste Strategy encourages waste partnerships to deliver the new strategy and this Oxfordshire JMWMS document is important to deliver this new strategy and the lowest cost to the Oxfordshire taxpayer.

Alternative options

Option 1: To adopt the Oxfordshire Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy.

Option 2: To reject the Oxfordshire Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy and ask officers to reconsider the strategy.

103 **Monthly Performance, Risk and Finance Monitoring Report - January 2019**

The Executive Director: Finance and Governance (Interim) and Assistant Director: Performance and Transformation submitted a report which summarised the Council's Performance, Risk and Finance monitoring position as at the end of each month.

Resolved

- (1) That the monthly Performance, Risk and Finance Monitoring Report be noted.

Reasons

The Council is committed to performance, risk and budget management and reviews progress against its corporate priorities on a monthly basis.

This report provides an update on progress made so far in 2018-19 to deliver the Council's priorities through reporting on Performance, the Leadership Risk Register and providing an update on the financial position.

Alternative options

Option 1: This report illustrates the Council's performance against the 2018-19 business plan. As this is a monitoring report, no further options have been considered. However, members may wish to request that officers provide additional information.

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Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting ended at 6.58 pm

Chairman:

Date: