

Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Tuesday 29 November 2022

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, Oxon OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor Sandy Dallimore (Chairman) Councillor Douglas Webb (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Maurice Billington
Councillor John Broad
Councillor David Hingley
Councillor Ian Middleton
Councillor Dr Chukwudi Okeke
Councillor Mike Bishop
Councillor Ian Harwood
Councillor Matt Hodgson
Councillor Perran Moon
Councillor Bryn Williams

Substitutes Any member of the relevant political group, excluding

Executive members

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. Minutes

The previous meeting of the Committee was a Special Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 22 November 2022, the day after the publication of the agenda for this meeting. The Minutes of the 22 November 2022 meeting will be submitted to

the Special Overview and Scrutiny Committee being held on Monday 12 December 2022.

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. October 2022 Performance Monitoring Report (Pages 5 - 22)

Report of Assistant Director - Customer Focus

Purpose of report

To give the Committee an update on the council's progress towards delivering its Business Plan priorities for 2022/23 up to October 2022.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 To note the monthly Performance Report for October 2022 and provide any comments for the Executive Committee to consider on the 5 December meeting.

7. Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Action Plan (Pages 23 - 46)

Report of Assistant Director - Customer Focus

Purpose of report

To seek the Committee's views on the approach officers are proposing for the council's EDI action plan and a councillor EDI working group.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To considers the approach being proposed for the council's Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) action plan and councillor working group and provides comments on both.
- 1.2 To review the draft action plans for Inclusive Communities and Inclusive Services and provides comments for the Executive Committee to consider at its February meeting.

8. Food Action Plan

The Assistant Director Wellbeing & Housing will present details of the Cherwell District Council Food Plan.

CDC was required to produce a local food plan following endorsement of the Oxfordshire Food Strategy by Executive at their meeting in June 2022. The Food Insecurity Working Group have assisted officers in production of the plan.

Recommendation

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 To consider the update and comment on progress so far.

9. Safeguarding Annual Audit

The Assistant Director Wellbeing & Housing and the Safeguarding Officer will give a presentation detailing the annual Safeguarding Audit.

Recommendation

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 To consider and endorse the audit prior to its submission to Oxfordshire County Council.

10. Working Groups Update (Pages 47 - 48)

A written update on work undertaken so far by the Food Insecurity and Climate Action working groups.

Both groups are scheduled to meet between before Overview & Scrutiny on 29 November, further updates will be given at the meeting.

Recommendation

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 To consider and comment on the work undertaken to date.

11. **Work Programme 2022/23** (Pages 49 - 56)

There are two documents for the Committee to consider:

Appendix 1 – indicative work programme 2022/23.

Appendix 2 – update on items previously considered.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To consider and agree the indicative work programme 2022/23
- 1.2 To consider and comment on the items previously considered by the Committee.

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

Apologies for absence should be notified to democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk or 01295 221953 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.

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.

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Queries Regarding this Agenda

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