



Committee: Executive

Date: Monday 2 December 2024

Time: 6.30 pm

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

Membership

**Councillor David Hingley
(Chairman)**

Councillor Tom Beckett
Councillor Jean Conway
Councillor Ian Middleton
Councillor Rob Pattenden

Councillor Lesley McLean (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Chris Brant
Councillor Nick Cotter
Councillor Rob Parkinson

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest that they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

3. Petitions and Requests to Address the Meeting

The Chairman to report on any requests to submit petitions or to address the meeting.

4. Minutes (Pages 7 - 16)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 November 2024.

5. Chairman's Announcements

To receive communications from the Chairman.

6. Urgent Business

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

7. Public Realm Strategy Frameworks (Pages 17 - 22)

** Due to the size of the documents, to assist access, the appendices are published as a supplement to the main agenda pack **

Report of Assistant Director Growth and Economy

Purpose of report

To seek approval of the Public Realm Strategy Frameworks for Banbury, Bicester and Kidlington by Executive for inclusion within the evidence base for the Local Plan and as guidance for the Area Oversight Groups.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Frameworks are presented as high level policy documents. The Frameworks' suggested public realm interventions are therefore aspirational at this stage and do not have funding allocated to them, with the exception of the three projects which are currently being developed for (i) Bicester Market Place; (ii) Bicester Bure Place and (iii) Kidlington High Street.

Recommendations

The Executive resolves:

- 1.1 To approve the inclusion of the Public Realm Strategy Frameworks for Banbury, Bicester and Kidlington as part of the evidence base for the Local Plan and as guidance for the Area Oversight Groups.
- 1.2 To agree delegated authority for the Assistant Director for Growth and Economy, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Property and Regeneration, to arrange the final presentation of the Plan and make any necessary minor amendments to it, including any typographic or formatting errors prior to publication.

8. Proposed Cherwell Local Plan 2042 (Pages 23 - 40)

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Report of Assistant Director Planning and Development

Purpose of report

To seek approval of the Proposed Cherwell Local Plan 2042 for the purpose of inviting representations.

Recommendations

The Executive resolves:

- 1.1 To consider the comments made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 12 November 2024 (Appendix 8a) and 26 November 2024 (Appendix 8b – to follow).
- 1.2 To agree that the Proposed Cherwell Local Plan 2042 at Appendix 1 be approved for the purpose of inviting representations under Regulations 19 and 20 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended).
- 1.3 To agree that the Assistant Director – Planning and Development be authorised to approve the final presentation of the Plan and to make any necessary minor administrative amendments and corrections to it prior to formal publication and in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Development.
- 1.4 To agree that the Assistant Director – Planning and Development be authorised to publish any necessary supporting documents, including an Infrastructure Delivery Plan, and other background papers in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Development.

9. Local Development Scheme (Pages 41 - 56)

Report of Assistant Director Planning and Development

Purpose of report

To seek approval of an updated Local Development Scheme (LDS) to produce the Council's key planning policy documents.

Recommendations

The Executive resolves:

- 1.1 To approve the updated Local Development Scheme (LDS) presented at Appendix 1 be approved.

10. Infrastructure Funding Statement 2023-24 (Pages 57 - 128)

Report of Assistant Director Planning and Development

Purpose of report

To seek approval of the Council's Infrastructure Funding Statement 2023-24 for publication by 31 December 2024.

Recommendations

The Executive resolves:

- 1.1 To approve the Infrastructure Funding Statement 23-24 at Appendix 1 for publication by 31 December 2024 subject to any final changes considered to

be necessary by the Assistant Director – Planning and Development to secure accuracy in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Development Management.

11. Temporary Accommodation Provision (Pages 129 - 136)

Report of Assistant Director Wellbeing and Housing

Purpose of report

To propose the utilisation of 15 rooms at Whately Hall, Banbury for use as temporary accommodation, continuing the current provision

Recommendations

The Executive resolves:

- 1.1 To approve the extension of the continuous booking of 15 rooms at the Whately Hall for use as temporary accommodation until the end of the financial year.

12. Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2025/26 (Pages 137 - 142)

Report of Assistant Director Finance (Section 151 Officer)

Purpose of report

To enable members to consider the proposed banded scheme for Council Tax Reduction (CTR) for 2025/26.

Recommendations

The Executive resolves:

- 1.1 To note the contents of the report, and any financial implications for the Council.
- 1.2 To note the comments of Budget Planning Committee at Section 6.
- 1.3 To recommend to Council that the current scheme is retained for 2025/26.

13. Finance Monitoring Report October 2024 (Pages 143 - 180)

Report of Assistant Director Finance (Section 151 Officer)

Purpose of report

To report to the committee the council's forecast financial position as at the end of the October 2024.

Recommendations

The Executive resolves:

- 1.1 To consider and note the contents of the council's financial management report as at the end of October 2024.
- 1.2 To approve the movements in reserves requested (Appendix 5).
- 1.3 To approve the reprofiling of capital projects beyond 2024/25 (section 4.2.3 and Appendix 1) and the subsequent update to the programme budget for this financial year 2024/25.
- 1.4 To approve the reduction in capital budget for S106 Development of Activity Play Zones from £0.600m to £0.142m to reflect the actual cost to the Council. The remaining £0.458m is to be met by the Football Foundation.

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