



Cherwell

DISTRICT COUNCIL
NORTH OXFORDSHIRE

**Summary of the decisions taken at the adjourned 2 December 2024 Executive meeting,
reconvened on Thursday 5 December 2024**

1. Date of publication of this summary: 5 December 2024
2. Decisions (if any) taken as a matter of urgency under Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules as set out in the Constitution (and not therefore subject to the call-in procedure): None
3. Date by which notice of call-in of any of the following decisions must be received in writing by the Chief Executive (see notes below):- Noon on Wednesday 11 December 2024
4. Notes:-
 - (a) For background documentation to the following decisions, please refer to the agenda and supporting papers (copies of which are available on the Council's website (www.cherwell.gov.uk) or from Democratic Services);
 - (b) Notice of call-in must be submitted in writing, by email or text to the Chief Executive by the deadline specified above, and must state the reason or reasons why "call-in" has been requested;
 - (c) Call-in can be requested by any five non-executive members of the Council.
 - (d) Decisions not called-in by the deadline specified above will become effective immediately the deadline has expired (unless they are recommendations to the Council).
 - (e) The Council has stipulated that the call-in procedure should not be used to challenge decisions as a matter of course and should be used only when fully justified.

**Shiraz Sheikh
Monitoring Officer**

Agenda Item and Recommendation	Decision	Reasons	Alternative Options	Conflicts of Interest Declared and Dispensations Granted by Head of Paid Service
<p>Agenda Item 2 Proposed Cherwell Local Plan 2042</p> <p>**At its 2 December 2024 meeting, Executive resolved to adjourn consideration of this item. Executive is reconvening to consider this item**</p> <p>Report of Assistant Director Planning and Development</p> <p>Purpose of report</p> <p>To seek approval of the Proposed Cherwell Local Plan 2042 for the purpose of inviting representations.</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive resolves:</p> <p>1.1 To consider the</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That, having considered and noted the comments made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meetings on 12 November 2024 and 4 December 2024 (reconvening of adjourned 26 November 2024 meeting) the following change be made to paragraph 8.5. of the Proposed Local Plan:</p> <p>“ We need to carefully manage development pressures in the interest of seeking housing delivery which benefits local communities, does not</p>	<p>A Proposed Local Plan has been prepared in the interest of having up to date planning policies which respond positively and effectively in meeting development needs and the planning issues that the district and our local communities face. An up-to-date Local Plan is important for a plan-led approach to decision making and contributing to the achievement of sustainable development. Preparation of the Plan has been informed by three formal public consultations, continuous engagement and cooperation and evidence gathering. Officers recommend that representations now be invited under Regulations 19 and 20 of The Town and Country Planning (Local</p>	<p>Option 1: To delay consideration of the Proposed Local Plan and to not invite representations at this time.</p> <p>Delaying would have the advantage of waiting for the final, revised version of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). However, the Government has stated, ‘<i>We propose transitional arrangements to maintain the progress of plans at more advanced stages of preparation, while maximising proactive planning for the homes our communities need</i>’. As the Proposed Local Plan has been prepared under the existing NPPF and can comply with the suggested transitional arrangements,</p>	<p>None</p>

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<p>comments made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 12 November 2024 (Appendix 8a) and 26 November 2024 (Appendix 8b – to follow).</p> <p>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).</p> <p>1.3 To agree that the Assistant Director – Planning and</p>	<p>lead to unacceptable pressure on local infrastructure <u>including health care facilities which must meet the needs of our rural communities</u>, and can be supported by sustainable and active travel options and which does not cause damage to the environment that makes our rural areas attractive and distinctive.”</p> <p>(2) That the Proposed Cherwell Local Plan 2042 (Appendix 1 to the report), as amended by Appendix 9 to the report and resolution (1) above, be approved for the</p>	<p>Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended).</p>	<p>officers do not recommend delay.</p> <p>Option 2: To reconsider the content of the Proposed Local Plan The Proposed Local Plan has been prepared having regard to statutory requirements, evidence and national planning policy and guidance. If Members do not agree with significant aspects of the Plan, officers would need to consider the planning reasons for any changes and the implications for the evidence base including the Sustainability Appraisal. There would be delay to the programme. Whether the Council would need to continue the Plan under the forthcoming</p>	

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<p>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.</p> <p>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</p>	<p>purpose of inviting representations under Regulations 19 and 20 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended).</p> <p>(3) That it be agreed 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.</p>		<p>NPPF would require consideration.</p>	

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Portfolio Holder for Planning and Development.	(4) That it be agreed 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.			
Agenda Item 3 Local Development Scheme **At its 2 December 2024 meeting, Executive resolved to adjourn consideration of this item. Executive is reconvening to consider this item**	Resolved (1) That the updated Local Development Scheme (LDS) (Appendix 1 to the report) be approved.	An updated LDS is a legal duty for the council as it is stated under section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended). It provides a programme for completion of the Cherwell Local Plan Review and a potential	Option 1: Not to approve the LDS. The Council has a statutory responsibility to maintain an LDS. If the Council did not prepare its own LDS the Secretary of State could impose one. Aside from legal duty, not	None

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<p>Report of Assistant Director Planning and Development</p> <p>Purpose of report</p> <p>To seek approval of an updated Local Development Scheme (LDS) to produce the Council's key planning policy documents.</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive resolves:</p> <p>1.1 To approve the updated Local Development Scheme (LDS) presented at Appendix 1.</p>		<p>Community Infrastructure Levy. The LDS will be used by officers, the public, partners and developers and other stakeholders to monitor the production of documents and to plan for associated consultations. Approval of the LDS is needed to assist project management and ensure that the Council meets its statutory responsibilities for planning. The LDS will be reviewed again if there is a further, significant change in circumstances.</p>	<p>to approve the LDS could undermine the confidence of the public and stakeholders about the Council's plan-making programme. The LDS would need to be re-presented to the Executive at a future meeting.</p> <p>Option 2: To reconsider the content of the LDS. The LDS has been prepared having regard to the Council's statutory responsibilities and current resources. It is considered by officers to be appropriate for the present and foreseeable circumstances.</p>	