

Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Tuesday 16 December 2025

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: 39 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5FD

Membership

Councillor David Rogers (Chair) Councillor Dr Isabel Creed (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Phil Chapman
Councillor John Broad
Councillor Frank Ideh
Councillor Simon Lytton
Councillor Dom Vaitkus
Councillor Councillor Barry Wood
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Substitutes Any member of the relevant political group, excluding

Executive members

AGENDA

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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 (Pages 5 - 14)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 11 November 2025.

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. Crime and Disorder Scrutiny - Cherwell Safer Communities Partnership and Thames Valley Police

To fulfil the Council's requirement regarding crime and disorder scrutiny, in relation to the Cherwell Community Safety Partnership.

Thames Valley Police and Crime Commissioner Matthew Barber, Chief Constable Jason Hogg and Chief Superintendent Ben Clarke will be in attendance to answer questions from the Committee on their presentation (to follow).

The Committee will also receive a presentation from the Head of Regulatory Services and Community Safety (to follow).

All Members of the Council are invited to attend the meeting for this item.

If possible, Members are asked to submit questions to the Democratic and Elections Team in advance of the meeting

7. Work Programme Update (Pages 15 - 18)

An update on the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme.

Recommendation

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee resolves:

1.1 To consider and agree the Scrutiny Work Programme update.

For Information - Scrutiny Guide

The Scrutiny Guide is attached for information and reference.

Councillors are requested to collect any post from their pigeon hole in the Members' Lounge at the end of the meeting.

Information about this Meeting

Apologies for Absence

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Declarations of Interest

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Queries Regarding this Agenda

Please contact Emma Faulkner / Martyn Surfleet, Democratic and Elections democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk, 01295 221534

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