



Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Date: Tuesday 24 March 2026
Time: 6.30 pm
Venue: 39 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5FD

Membership

Councillor David Rogers (Chair)

Councillor Phil Chapman
Councillor John Broad
Councillor Frank Ideh
Councillor Simon Lytton
Councillor Dom Vaitkus

Councillor Dr Isabel Creed (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Gordon Blakeway
Councillor Gemma Coton
Councillor Harry Knight
Councillor Lynne Parsons
Councillor Barry Wood

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 7 - 12)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 27 January 2026.

4. Chair's Announcements

To receive communications from the Chair.

5. Urgent Business

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

6. Corporate Performance and Insight Strategy 2026/27 (Pages 13 - 38)

Report of the Head of Chief Executive Office.

Purpose of report

The report provides an overview of the proposed Corporate Performance and Insight Strategy 2026/27, including proposed key performance indicators and annual delivery plan milestones to be reported across the new financial year.

Recommendations

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee resolves:

- 1.1 To review the new Corporate Performance & Insight Strategy presented in Appendix 1, Key Performance Indicators as proposed in Appendix 2 and provide the Executive Committee with any comments and/or recommendations ahead of their meeting on 7th April 2026.
- 1.2 To note that the Annual Delivery Plan (ADP) Milestones 2026/27 (as approved as part of the Budget) are included in Appendix 3 for information.

7. Temporary Accommodation Policy Presentation (Pages 39 - 56)

Presentation of the Assistant Director of Wellbeing and Housing Services.

Purpose of the Presentation

To provide the Committee with a presentation on the progress on the Temporary Accommodation Policy. In addition, the presentation will cover the wider delivery of homelessness, housing advice and strategic housing services.

8. Response to the Planning Advisory Service: Review of Planning Committee Decision Making (Pages 57 - 108)

Report of the Assistant Director Planning.

Purpose of report

To advise the Committee on how the Council is responding to the Planning Advisory Service (PAS) Review of Planning Committee Decision Making.

Recommendations

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee resolves:

- 1.1 To note the work in progress in responding to the PAS recommendations and advice.
- 1.2 To identify any comments for consideration by the Executive.

9. Performance of S106 Delivery (Pages 109 - 130)

Report of the Assistant Director Planning and Development.

Purpose of report

To provide an overview of the Section 106 agreement and infrastructure delivery process, and a review of infrastructure delivery in Cherwell from a health perspective.

Recommendations

The Overview and Scrutiny committee resolves:

- 1.1 To note a presentation covering:
 - An overview of how section 106 obligations are agreed
 - An overview of how section 106 obligations monitored and delivered
 - Factors and constraints behind infrastructure delivery
 - A spotlight on s106 health contributions
- 1.2 To note key findings for health contributions currently held by the Council and trends in health contributions secured between 2019/20 and 2024/25.

10. Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report - 2025-26 (Pages 131 - 148)

Report of Assistant - Director Law & Governance/Monitoring Officer

Purpose of report

For the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider and approve the draft annual report for 2025-26, for submission to full Council.

Recommendations

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee resolves:

- 1.1 To consider and provide feedback on the draft Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report for 2025-26.

- 1.2 To delegate authority to the Assistant Director Law and Governance, in consultation with the Overview and Scrutiny Chair, to finalise the report for submission to full Council.

11. **Work Programme Update** (Pages 149 - 152)

An update on the indicative Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme for 2026-27.

Recommendation

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee resolves:

- 1.1 To note the indicative work programme for 2026-27

For Information - Scrutiny Guide

The Scrutiny Guide is attached for information and reference.

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Queries Regarding this Agenda

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