



Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Tuesday 8 September 2026

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: 39 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5FD

Membership

Councillor David Rogers (Chair)

Councillor John Brown
Councillor Kieron Mallon
Councillor Julius Parker
Councillor Dr Kerrie Thornhill
Councillor Michael Wilson

Councillor Dom Vaitkus (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Dr Faltermeyer
Councillor Rob Packard
Councillor Robert Parkinson
Councillor Linda Ward
Vacancy (Liberal Democrat)

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 (Pages 5 - 8)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 18 June 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. Performance Monitoring Report Quarter 1 2026-2027 (Pages 9 - 40)

Report of Head of Chief Executive's Office

Purpose of report

To report to the committee the council's performance position as of the end of Quarter 1 2026/27, further detail can be found in the report and its appendices.

Recommendations

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee resolves:

- 1.1 To consider and note the contents of the council's performance Quarter 1 2026/2027 report.

7. Update on Executive Responses to Previous Scrutiny Recommendations (Pages 41 - 56)

Report of Assistant Director Law & Governance/Monitoring Officer

Purpose of report

To update the Overview & Scrutiny Committee on progress of the Executive response to previous recommendations relating to the Climate Action and Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion Working group reports.

Recommendations

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee resolves:

- 1.1 To note the progress made on previous recommendations made to the Executive, as detailed in appendices one (Climate Action) and two (Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion).

8. Work Programme Update (Pages 57 - 64)

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.

9. Exclusion of the Press and Public

The following report contains exempt information as defined in the following paragraph of Part 1, Schedule 12A of Local Government Act 1972.

3– Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Members are reminded that whilst the following item has been marked as exempt, it is for the meeting to decide whether or not to consider it in private or in public. In making the decision, Members should balance the interests of individuals or the Council itself in having access to the information. In considering their discretion members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.

Should Members decide not to make a decision in public, they are recommended to resolve as follows:

“That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that, if the public and press were present, it would be likely that exempt information falling under the provisions of Schedule 12A, Part I, Paragraph 3 would be disclosed to them, and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.”

10. Update on progression of Graven Hill Village Development Company (Pages 65 - 72)

Exempt report of Shareholder Representative

For Information - Scrutiny Guide

The Scrutiny Guide is attached for information and reference.

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Information about this Meeting

Apologies for Absence

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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

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Queries Regarding this Agenda

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