

Democratic Services

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SUMMONS TO ATTEND

MEETING: CABINET
PLACE: COUNCIL CHAMBER, WOODGREEN OFFICES, WITNEY
DATE: WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY 2020
TIME: 2.00 PM

Members of the Cabinet

Councillors: James Mills (Leader); Toby Morris (Deputy Leader); Steve Good; David Harvey; Jeff Haine; Norman MacRae MBE and Michele Mead

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A G E N D A

- 1. Notice of Decisions at the meeting held on Wednesday 18 December 2019 (previously circulated)**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of interest from Councillors relating to items to be considered at the meeting, in accordance with the provisions of the Council's Local Code of Conduct, and any from Officers.
- 4. Participation of the Public**

Purpose:
To receive any submissions from members of the public, in accordance with the Council's Rules of Procedure.
- 5. Receipt of Announcements**

Purpose:
To receive any announcements from the Leader of the Council or Members of the Cabinet.

6. Council Plan 2019-2023 (Report of the Chief Executive – copy attached)

Purpose:

To consider and recommend approval of the final draft Council Plan 2020-24 for adoption by Council at its January 2020 meeting.

Recommendations:

That the Cabinet approves the final draft Council Plan 2020-2024 and recommends its adoption by the Council.

7. Local Development Scheme Update (Report of the Planning Policy Manager – copy attached)

Purpose:

To approve an update of the Council's Local Development Scheme.

Recommendations:

- (a) That the information provided be noted.
- (b) That the updated Local Development Scheme attached as Annex A to the report be approved.

8. Council Tax Exemption for Care Leavers (Report of the Group Manager, Residents' Services – copy attached)

Purpose:

To consider the proposal to apply council tax discounts for care leavers from 1 April 2020.

Recommendations:

That the Council be recommended:-

- (a) That with effect from 1 April 2020 care leavers who meet the eligibility criteria specified in Annex A to the report shall be eligible to apply for a council tax discount until they reach the age of 21;
- (b) That with effect from 1 April 2020 care leavers who meet the additional eligibility criteria specified in Annex A to this report shall be eligible to apply for a council tax discount between the age of 21 to 25 years;
- (c) To authorise the Group Manager for Residents' Services (Publica Group (Support) Limited) to award the specified discount; and
- (d) To incorporate the authorisation at (c) above into the Officer Delegations Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution.

9. Household Duty Of Care Offences – Setting the Fixed Penalty Notice Level (Report of the Group Manager, Residents' Services – copy attached)

Purpose:

- (a) To inform Members about the
 - (i) householder's duty of care when disposing of waste other than by the normal household collection routes.
 - (ii) Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) powers under the Environmental Protection Miscellaneous Amendments) (England and Wales) Regulations 2018 which amend S 33 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (the Act).
- (b) To authorise the Council's Officers for Resident Services to issue FPNs under Section 34(2A) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 to persons whom the officer has reason to believe have committed a breach of the household waste duty of care.

- (c) To recommend the FPN fine levels in accordance with the options provided by the Act under section 34(ZA) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

Recommendations

- (a) That the information provided be noted.
- (b) That the Council be recommended to approve FPN level of £400 and early payment reduction of £200 provided payment is made within 10 days of the date the FPN was issued.
- (c) That delegated authority be given to the Service Business Manager for Environment and Regulatory Services to authorise the Council's Officers for Resident Services to issue FPNs under Section 34(2A) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 to persons whom the officer has reason to believe have committed a breach of the household waste duty of care.
- (d) That the Council be recommended to approve the incorporation of the necessary amendments to the Officer Delegation Rules contained in Part 4 of the Constitution consequent upon the decision at (c) above.

10. Joint Municipal Waste Strategy for Oxfordshire (Report of the Business Manager – Contracts – copy attached)

Purpose:

To confirm the implications of adopting the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Oxfordshire and entering into a formal Oxfordshire Resources & Waste Partnership.

Recommendations:

- (a) That funding of £10,000 per annum towards a partnership officer post be authorised, to be met from existing budgets; and
- (b) That the Group Manager, Commissioning is authorised, following consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for the Environment, to agree and sign the Oxfordshire Resources & Waste Partnership Memorandum of Understanding.

11. Budget 2020/2021 (Report of the Chief Finance Officer – To Follow)

Purpose:

To consider the initial draft base budgets for 2020/2021, draft fees and charges for 2020/2021 and the latest Capital Programme for 2020/2021 revised and future years.

12. Exclusion of the Public

Recommendation:

That, in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person) the public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining item of business.

13. Loan Refinancing – Southill Community Energy (Southill Solar) (Report of the Group Finance Director – copy attached)

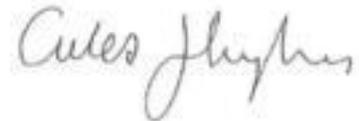
Purpose:

To consider a refinancing opportunity in respect of the Southill Community Energy Project (Southill Solar).

Recommendations:

That the Cabinet:-

- a) Approves the refinancing of the Southill Solar project based upon the Heads of Terms as set out at Annex B to the report;
- b) Seeks Council approval for an addition of £2m to the Capital Programme;
- c) Nominates a Board Observer;
- d) Delegates the financing of the loan to the Chief Financial Officer in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources.



Chief Executive

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