

**WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**COUNCIL – WEDNESDAY 25 OCTOBER 2017**

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

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**1. PURPOSE**

To receive and consider recommendations made by the Cabinet and the Council's Committees from 31 August to 18 October 2017.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the recommendations set out in the [Appendix](#) to the report be adopted.

**3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1. The recommendations set out in the Appendix have been extracted from the reports of the meetings of the Cabinet and the Council's Committees held since the last Council meeting.
- 3.2. There is a meeting of Cabinet to be held on 18 October 2017. It is likely that this will give rise to recommendations to Council and the text set out in the [Appendix](#) reflects, so far as possible, the recommendations contained in the relevant reports. The full minutes of the meeting will be circulated on Friday 20 October.

**4. ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS**

The above are as set out in the relevant reports to the meetings of the Cabinet/Committee, and the decisions or minutes of those meetings.

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**Background Papers:**

None

**Appendix**

	<b>Meeting and Date</b>	<b>Subject and Agenda Item No. or Minute Reference</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
(a)	Cabinet 18 October 2017	Domestic Abuse Services in West Oxfordshire Agenda Item No. 7	The recommendation that the Council approves funding of up to £35,000 per year for three years commencing in April 2018 towards domestic abuse services in West Oxfordshire as a budget commitment in advance of the formal budget setting process.
(b)	Cabinet 18 October 2017	Budget Parameters 2018/2019 Agenda Item No. 8	The recommendation that the budget parameters for 2018/19 be approved as follows:  (i) inflation on pay budgets of 2.0% for all staff; (ii) expenditure on utilities inflated in line with contractual changes; (iii) expenditure on external budgets in line with contractual commitments – where no contractual commitments occur no inflation allowance given; (iv) expenditure on the Publica contract to be in line with the inflation on pay budgets, less the business case savings; (v) Fees and charges increase- target of 2.0% where discretionary and market will bear and administratively efficient to do so.

	<b>Meeting and Date</b>	<b>Subject and Agenda Item No. or Minute Reference</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
(c)	Cabinet 18 October 2017	Update to Treasury Management Strategy 2017/2018 Agenda Item No. 10	<p>The recommendations that:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) the Council's Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Investment Strategy 2017/18 be updated to include Publica Group (Support) Ltd as an approved counterparty;</li> <li>(ii) investments with Publica Group (Support) Ltd are limited to a maximum of £500,000 and for periods no longer than 1 year.</li> <li>(iii) the Council's Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Investment Strategy 2017/18 be updated to include Ubico Ltd as an approved counterparty;</li> <li>(iv) investments with Ubico Ltd are limited to a maximum of £500,000 and for periods no longer than 1 year.</li> <li>(v) Officers be authorised to apply for the Council to be recognised as a profession client for treasury management transactional purposes.</li> </ul>