

**Democratic Services**

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**SUMMONS TO ATTEND**

**MEETING:** WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
**PLACE:** COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, WOODGREEN, WITNEY  
**DATE:** WEDNESDAY 20 JUNE 2018  
**TIME:** 2.00 PM

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**RECORDING OF MEETINGS**

The law allows the council's public meetings to be recorded, which includes filming as well as audio-recording. Photography is also permitted.

As a matter of courtesy, if you intend to record any part of the proceedings please let the Committee Officer know before the start of the meeting.

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**A G E N D A**

**1. Minutes of the meeting held on 16 May 2018 (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. Receipt of Announcements**

To receive any announcements from The Chairman, Leader, Members of the Cabinet or the Head of Paid Service.

**5. Participation of the Public**

To receive any submissions from members of the public, in accordance with the Council's Rules of Procedure.

**6. Recommendations from the Executive and the Council's Committees**

Purpose:

To receive and consider recommendations made by the Cabinet and the Council's Committees from 23 May to 13 June 2018.

Recommendation:

That the recommendations set out in the Appendix to the report be adopted.

## 7. Reports of the Cabinet and the Council's Committees (copies attached)

To receive the reports of the following meetings of the Cabinet and the Council's Committees. Unless otherwise stated, copies are attached:

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|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| (a) | <a href="#">Audit and General Purposes Committee</a>                   | 19 April 2018 |                  |
| (b) | <a href="#">Cabinet</a>                                                | 23 May 2018   |                  |
| (c) | <a href="#">Economic and Social Overview and Scrutiny Committee</a>    | 24 May 2018   |                  |
| (d) | <a href="#">Finance and Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee</a> | 6 June 2018   |                  |
| (e) | Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee                            | 7 June 2018   | <b>To Follow</b> |
| (f) | Development Control Committee                                          | 11 June 2018  | <b>To Follow</b> |
| (g) | Cabinet                                                                | 13 June 2018  | <b>To Follow</b> |

## 8. Receipt of Petition – Provision of Affordable Housing (Report of the Head of Democratic Services – copy attached)

### Purpose:

To consider the petition presented to the Council at the meeting held on 28 February 2018 and referred to the Finance and Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee prior to its consideration and determination.

### Recommendation:

That the Council considers the petition in light of the recommendation made by the Finance and Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its meeting held on 6 June 2018.

## 9. Notice of Motion - Support for the LGBTIQ+ Community

At the Council meeting held on 28 February, 2018, the following Motion was received in the names of Mr A M Graham and Mr A S Coles, namely:

“The LGBTIQ+ community as most recently defined (Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transgender, intersex and Questioning plus) is an important and accepted part of our community.

This being the case, West Oxfordshire District Council will do everything it can to enable the LGBTIQ+ community to flourish and succeed, thus demonstrating the council's commitment to representing the needs of the whole community.

The Council agrees to examine how best to support this community by referring the matter to the relevant committee to consider any particular challenges in West Oxfordshire”

The motion was considered by the Economic and Social Overview Committee at its meeting held on 24 May and the Council is now invited to consider the attached report.

## 10. Notice of Motion – Citizens' Advice West Oxfordshire

The following motion has been received in the names of Councillors J C Cooper and D S T Enright, namely:

“This Council values the work of the Citizens’ Advice West Oxfordshire and the difference that it makes in the lives of many thousands of residents of this district. This Council acknowledges the Cabinet’s decision to change the way that Citizens Advice West Oxfordshire is funded, by moving from grant funding to commissioning of specified services.

However, only £80,000 is going to be available under the new commissioning process. This leaves a gap of £76,000, based on the grant that was made to CAWO by this Council in 2017. The Cabinet has made no clear statement as to what will happen to this money, whether it will be available as a grant, and if so what the process for application will be.

This Council therefore resolves to:

1. Ensure that the survival of Citizens’ Advice West Oxfordshire is not threatened by the withdrawal of the WODC grant.
2. Produce a clear statement as to how grant money that was previously available to CAWO can be accessed by that organisation in future.”

## **11. Notice of Motion – Enforcement of Planning Conditions**

The following motion has been received in the names of Councillors E J Fenton and A C Beaney, namely:

“Recently Oxfordshire County Council passed a motion seeking greater powers for enforcement of planning conditions granted by that authority in respect of Waste and Minerals planning agreements.

As the major planning authority for housing and other development, this Council also frequently places conditions on planning approvals. Most developers adhere to these but some do not, particularly in the construction phase. Subcontractors sometimes fail to adhere to routing agreements and other conditions designed to mitigate the inconvenience to other residents, especially during construction.

This Council resolves to use all the suitable powers available to the planning enforcement team to ensure that developers are held responsible for compliance with all conditions of planning permission and to ensure that appropriate measures be taken to ensure that applicants not only adhere to planning conditions themselves but also are held accountable for all sub-contractors’ adherence to such conditions and are required to make good or compensate for any failure to do so in a timely manner.

Additionally, this Council asks that the Leader of the Council write to the Witney and West Oxfordshire MP to ask him to support this change, to raise the matter in Parliament and to press for the strengthening of planning law to allow local authorities more redress when conditions or legal agreements entered by contractors are persistently breached”

## **12. Sealing of Documents (copy attached)**

Purpose:

To note the documents sealed since the last report.

Recommendation:

That the report be noted.



Giles Hughes  
Head of Paid Service