

WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 11 JULY 2018
MAIN POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE
AND FOLLOW UP ACTION
REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE
(Contact: Councillor Derek Cotterill)

(The report is for information).

1. PURPOSE

To consider the main points arising from the meeting held on 6 June 2018 and to update the Committee on the follow-up action which has been taken.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the report be noted.

3. BACKGROUND

At the meeting of the Committee held on 6 June 2018, consideration was given to eight substantive items of business.

3.1. Agenda Item No. 5: Main Points of the Last Meeting and Follow up Action

The Committee noted the report of the Chairman, which gave details of the main points arising from its meeting held on 11 April 2018.

3.2. Agenda Item No. 6: Committee Work Programme

The Committee considered and approved its Work Programme for 2018/2019.

Rural Broadband Project

The Committee noted that work on the Rural Broadband Project remained on schedule and that an update report would be submitted to the October meeting.

Introduction of Electric Vehicle Charging Points

The Committee noted that a framework agreement was being devised that would enable West Oxfordshire, Cotswold and Forest of Dean District Councils to procure electric vehicle charging points in locations throughout their Districts as and when required. A further report, including information on potential funding streams, would be submitted to the next meeting.

3.3. Agenda Item No. 7: Cabinet Work Programme

The Committee noted the contents of the full Cabinet Work Programme published on 15 May 2018.

3.4. Agenda Item No. 8: Consideration of Petition – Affordable Housing

The Committee gave consideration to the petition regarding the provision of affordable housing presented to the Council on 28 February 2018 and resolved that the Council be advised that the Committee is of the opinion that it should seek to develop a medium to long term Housing Strategy having regard to the risks and benefits associated with the initiatives employed by other authorities as outlined in the report.

At the Council meeting held on 20 June it was resolved that the petition be noted.

3.5. Agenda Item No. 9: Treasury Management Activity and Performance 2017/2018

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Finance Officer giving details of the performance of in-house and external fund managers for 2017/2018.

3.6. Agenda Item No. 10: Performance Indicators – Year End 2017/2018

The Committee received and considered the report of the Head of Leisure and Communities providing information on the Council's performance at the end of 2017/2018.

3.7. Agenda Item No. 11: Start Time of Meetings

The Committee resolved that meetings for the remainder of 2018/2019 commence at 2.00pm.

3.8. Agenda Item No. 12: Local Authority Partnership Purchase Scheme

In response to a request from Mr Postan it was noted that a report on the operation of the Local Authority Partnership Purchase Scheme would be submitted to the next meeting.

4. ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS

Not applicable.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

6. REASONS

The Chairman's summary of the previous meeting is an opportunity for the Chairman to outline to Members progress made on their ideas and suggestions from the last Committee meeting. It will also provide Members with a further chance to comment on these subjects and provide a transparent method of showing the effectiveness of member's contributions to this Committee and its key Overview and Scrutiny role.

D Cotterill
Chairman
Date: 27 June, 2018
Background Papers
None.