

**WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY 28 NOVEMBER 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 3 October 2018 and to update the Committee on the follow-up action which has been taken.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

That the report be noted.

**3. BACKGROUND**

3.1. At the meeting of the Committee held on 3 October 2018, consideration was given to nine substantive items of business.

**Main Points of the Last Meeting and Follow up Action**

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

**Committee Work Programme**

3.3. The Committee considered an update report on its approved Work Programme for 2018/2019.

**Cabinet Work Programme**

3.4. The Committee noted the contents of the full Cabinet Work Programme published on 18 September 2018.

**Rural Broadband Project Update**

3.5. The Committee considered a report which updated it on the progress of the Superfast Broadband project to date. A question on the level of take-up was subsequently raised at the Council meeting held 24 October, and a response in the form of a detailed update was sent to all members of the Council on 8 November.

**General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) Update**

3.6. The Committee was updated on the implementation of the new legislation relating to data protection and information security management.

**Investment in UBICO Fleet Hire Scheme**

3.7. The Committee considered a report from the Group Manager, Council Advisory Services, and made a recommendation to Cabinet in relation to the proposal for one-off funding for the trial of an invest to save initiative to create a Ubico fleet pool.

- 3.8. Cabinet approved the recommendations on this matter at its meeting on 17 October, and gave consideration to the requests made by this Committee. In that regard, Cabinet agreed “*That the request of the Finance and Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee for revenue streams to be presented to the Committee at six-monthly intervals to determine whether the scheme represented value for money be acknowledged and endorsed*”.

### **Action Plan for the delivery of affordable housing associated with the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal**

- 3.9. The Committee received a report around a proposal which would support the Council’s objective of accelerating the delivery of affordable housing in the District. Specifically, the proposal was for the Council to onward lend to Cottsway Housing to enable the provision of 48 houses.
- 3.10. The recommendations in the report were ultimately approved by Council on 24 October, as was an additional element which provided for other registered Social Landlords to have the opportunity to participate in any future, similar schemes.

### **Treasury Management Activity and Performance**

- 3.11. The Committee received and noted a report covering the period April to August 2018.

### **Quarter One Performance Indicators**

- 3.12. The Committee received a report covering the period April to June 2018.

## **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: 8 November 2018

Background Papers

None.