

**Scrutiny Priorities**

**October 2021 to December 2021**

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Reports in **black** text are Cabinet reports

Reports in **green** text are Scrutiny-commissioned reports

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**October 2021**

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| **Housing and Carbon Reduction** | Priority level: Very High  Preferred Forum: Housing and Homelessness Panel |
| To hear an update on the Council’s activities in relation to carbon reduction, focusing on the progress of retrofitting its own housing stock, learning from recent net zero building pilots, and the specifications of the Council’s stock as being developed by OCHL. | |

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| **Introduction to the Central Government White Paper on Housing** | Priority level: High  Preferred Forum: Housing and Homelessness Panel |
| To receive an introduction on the main elements of central government’s white paper on Housing and to highlight its main changes and expected impacts. A particular focus on its views on tenant empowerment. | |

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**November 2021**

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| **Workplace Equalities and Action Plan** | Priority level: Very High  Preferred Forum: Scrutiny |
| A report to seek approval for the publication of the annual Workforce Equality Report and report on progress on the Equalities Action Plan 2018 to 2021. | |

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| **Proposal to Remove and Sell Car Parking Decking from Oxpens Car Park** | Priority level: Very High  Preferred Forum: Scrutiny |
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| **East Oxford Community Centre and Housing Development** | Priority level: Very High  Preferred Forum: Scrutiny |
| The Council has been working closely with the community in the East Oxford area and as a result of this intends to refurbish the existing East Oxford Community Centre building and also extending it with a new and highly efficient building. There will also be the provision of up to 26 housing units that will be situated across two sites. With an additional 2-4 units possible at Catherine Street should the Council look to dispose of the site. To enable the developments there will be demolition of four of the existing buildings that are no longer fit for purpose. | |

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| **Responses to the Tenant Satisfaction Survey** | Priority level: Very High  Preferred Forum: Housing and Homelessness Panel |
| A report to update the Panel on the issues arising from the recently-completed tenant satisfaction survey of the Council’s housing tenants. | |

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| **Empty Homes** | Priority level: High  Preferred Forum: Housing and Homelessness Panel |
| An Introduction to the work of the Empty Homes Officer, the empty homes situation in Oxford and the options available to the Council to bring such homes back into use | |

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| **Discretionary Housing Payment Policy** | Priority level: High  Preferred Forum: Housing and Homelessness Panel |
| To review the operation of the Discretionary Housing Payment policy, and to amend the policy, if required. | |

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| **Determination of Shared Ownership Rent Levels** | Priority level: High  Preferred Forum: Scrutiny |
| To determine future Shared Ownership rent levels. | |

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| **Anti-social behaviour Policy** | Priority level: High  Preferred Forum: Scrutiny |
| Renewal of the Council's Anti-Social Behaviour Policy. | |

**December 2021**

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| **Budget 2022/23** | Priority level: Very High  Preferred Forum: Scrutiny Budget Review Group (to be considered in January 2022) |
| Consultation Budget for 2022/23 and proposed Medium Term Financial Plan | |

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| **Annual Monitoring Report and Infrastructure Funding Statement** | Priority level: Very High  Preferred Forum: Scrutiny |
| Approval of the Annual Monitoring Report and Infrastructure Funding Statement for publication. | |

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| **Climate Emergency Review Group update** | Priority level: Very High  Preferred Forum: Scrutiny |
| To hear an update on the Council’s activities in relation to the recommendations of the Climate Emergency Review Group | |

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| **Small Sites Development Proposal** | Priority level: Very High  Preferred Forum: Housing and Homelessness Panel |
| To seek approval for the process for the evaluation of the small sites in OCC ownership and recommendations for development for affordable housing, retention or disposal. | |

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| **Asset Management Strategy (possibly in combination with the requested report by the Finance and Performance Panel on the same topic)** | Priority level: High  Preferred Forum: Finance and Performance Panel |
| The Asset Management Plan - strategy for the property portfolio for OCC. | |

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| **Treasury Management Mid-Year Report** | Priority level: High  Preferred Forum: Finance and Performance |
| To hear an update on the Council’s activities in relation to carbon reduction, focusing on the progress of retrofitting its own housing stock, learning from recent net zero building pilots, and the specifications of the Council’s stock as being developed by OCHL. | |

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| **Car Parking Strategy** | Priority level: High  Preferred Forum: Finance and Performance |
| To understand the Council’s plans for its different car parks and the financial implications arising. Hopefully with support from the County Council to explain wider transport policies expected. | |

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| **Integrated Performance Report Q2** | Priority level: High  Preferred Forum: Finance and Performance Panel |
| A report to Members on Finance, Risk & Performance as at 30 September 2021. | |

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| **ODS Tree Management Capacity** | Priority level: Medium  Preferred Forum: Companies Panel |
| Consideration of the capacity of ODS to manage the growth in Council-owned tree numbers arising from the Urban Forest Strategy. | |

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