

EXECUTIVE BOARD

A G E N D A

Date: Monday 14 May 2007 at 9.00 am

Venue: Old Library, Town Hall

Membership as from 2 October 2006

John Goddard (Leader)
David Rundle (Deputy Leader)
Alan Armitage
Jean Fooks
Patrick Murray
Stephen Tall
Caroline van Zyl
Antonia Bance
Sajjad Malik
Matthew Sellwood

Portfolios

Overarching
Stronger Communities
Healthier Environment
Cleaner City
Improving Housing
Better Finances
Safer City
Without portfolio
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NOTE – The above details were correct at the time the agenda was printed. Membership and portfolios for the forthcoming year will be agreed at the Annual Council meeting on 10 May 2007

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The quorum of the Executive Board is three members. No substitutes are permitted.

Declaring Interests

What interests do I need to declare in a meeting?

As a first step you need to declare any personal interests you have in a matter. You will then need to decide if you have a prejudicial interest in a matter.

What is a personal interest?

You have a personal interest in a matter if that matter affects the well being or financial position of you, your relatives or your friends more than it would affect other people in the Council's area. A personal interest can affect you, your relatives or your friends positively or negatively. You should declare it if you or they would stand to gain or lose by the decision.

You also have a personal interest in a matter if it relates to any interests which you must register.

What do I need to do if I have a personal interest in a matter?

You must declare it when you get to the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

Can I stay in a meeting if I have a personal interest?

You can still take part in the meeting and vote on the matter unless your personal interest is also a prejudicial interest.

What is a prejudicial interest?

A prejudicial interest is one which a member of the public who knows the relevant facts would reasonably think is so significant that it is likely to affect your judgement of the public interest.

What is not a prejudicial interest?

The Code of Conduct sets out a small number of exceptions. Check with the Monitoring Officer if you are in any doubt.

What do I need to do if I have a prejudicial interest?

If you have a prejudicial interest in a matter being discussed at a meeting, you must leave the room. You cannot take part in discussions on that matter or try improperly to influence anyone's decision on the matter.

PART I
PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any personal or personal and prejudicial interests they have in any of the following agenda items. Guidance on this is set out above.

3. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Executive Board Procedure Rule 13(iii) - At the discretion of the Executive Board, members of the public may ask questions about issues set out on the agenda, subject to having registered with the Chief Executive their wish to speak, and the subject matter of the question, by 2.00 pm on the working day before the meeting.

Procedure Rule 13(iii) says that the Executive Board may hear questions for up to a maximum of 15 minutes. There is no provision for the terms of the Procedure Rule to be suspended.

4. SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS

Report of the Environment Scrutiny Committee (attached) on follow-up concerning previous recommendations on environmental enforcement

5. APPOINTMENT OF A HOUSING ADVISORY PANEL

The Board is recommended to appoint on a proportionate basis a Housing Advisory Panel for 2007/08. This will include the Executive Board member with responsibility for housing, Councillors who are not on the Board, and tenant representatives. There are presently 3 councillors (the Portfolio Holder for Improving Housing, one member of the Labour Group and one member of the Green Group) and 3 tenant representatives nominated by the Oxford Tenants' Panel.

(The Panel will advise officers and portfolio holders with responsibility for housing. Its purpose is to consult tenants. It does not take decisions.)

6. FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES – COUNCIL MOTION

Portfolio holder: Councillor van Zyl

Report (attached) of the Neighbourhood Renewal Business Manager

7. WEST END AREA ACTION PLAN: SUBMISSION DRAFT

Portfolio holder: Councillor Goddard

Report (attached) of the Planning Services Business Manager

NOTE: Appendix 4 (the Submission Draft West End Area Action Plan) has been circulated separately as this document will also be submitted to the special Council meeting on 21 May 2007.

8. PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE ALLOCATION CRITERIA FOR ROSE HILL FLATS AND DESIGNATED ELDERLY TWO FLATS ON ASHHURST WAY

Portfolio holder: Councillor Murray

Joint report (attached) of the Community Housing and Oxford City Homes Business Managers

9. SALE OF 26 BARTON VILLAGE ROAD

Portfolio holder: Councillor Murray

Report (attached) of the Financial and Asset Management Business Manager

(See also the exempt from publication appendix at item C1)

10. YEAR END FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT 2006/07

Portfolio holder: Councillor Tall

Report (attached) of the Strategic Director, Finance and Corporate Services

11. DRAFT DIRECTORATE PLANS FOR 2007/08

Portfolio holder: Councillor Goddard

Report (attached) of the Interim Chief Executive

12. AREA COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations (attached) from Area Committees

13. PORTFOLIO HOLDER QUESTIONS

There are no questions for the Board to consider

14. DECISIONS TAKEN IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE COUNCIL

There are no decisions for the Board to consider.

15. FUTURE ITEMS

This item is included to give members the opportunity to raise issues on the Forward Plan or update the Board about future agenda items.

16. MINUTES

Minutes (attached) of the meeting of the Board held on 16 April 2007.

17. MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION

If the Board wishes to exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of any of the items on the exempt from publication part of the agenda, it will be necessary for the Board to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 21(1)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 on the grounds that their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in specific paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

The Board may maintain the exemption if and so long as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

PART II

MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION

C1. SALE OF 26 BARTON VILLAGE ROAD

Portfolio holder: Councillor Murray

Exempt from publication appendix (attached) to the report of the Financial and Asset Management Business Manager at item 9

C2. DISPOSAL OF THE SLADE, MASCALL AVENUE

Portfolio holder: Councillor Murray

Exempt from publication Report (attached) of the Financial and Asset Management Business Manager

(Items C1 and C2 - exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph 3 – information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person [including the authority holding that information].

The public interest in maintaining an exemption is that negotiations relating to the acquisition or disposal of assets are not compromised for so long as they remain subject to contract.)