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Scrutiny Committee

Date: **Tuesday 2 July 2013**

Time: **6.00 pm**

Place: **St Aldate's Room, Town Hall**

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Scrutiny Committee

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	Councillor Mohammed Altaf-Khan	Headington Hill and Northway;
	Councillor Jim Campbell	St. Margaret's;
	Councillor Van Coulter	Barton and Sandhills;
	Councillor Roy Darke	Headington Hill and Northway;
	Councillor James Fry	North;
	Councillor Ben Lloyd-Shogbesan	Lye Valley;
	Councillor Michele Paule	Rose Hill and Iffley;
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AGENDA

Pages

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests they may have in any of the following agenda items. Guidance on this is set out at the end of these agenda pages.

3 WORK PROGRAMME PLANNING

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Contact Officer: Pat Jones (Principal Scrutiny Officer), Tel 01865 252191, phjones@oxford.gov.uk

Background Information
The Scrutiny Committee operates within a work programme and this now needs to be set for the year 2013-2014.
Why is it on the agenda?
This report presents the suggestions made for the work programme along with the decisions already made by the Committee on carry forward items. Scrutiny Members now need to make their outline decisions for the rest of the programme.
Who has been invited to comment?
Pat Jones, Principal Scrutiny Officer, will present the work programme, answer questions and support the Committee in their decision making.
What will happen after the meeting?
The Programme will be drawn up in outline.

4 REPORT BACK ON RECOMMENDATIONS AND FORWARD PLAN

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Contact Officer: Pat Jones (Principal Scrutiny Officer), Tel 01865 252191,
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Background Information
Scrutiny has asked to consider decisions about to be made by the City Executive Board and Council and also see the result of any scrutiny recommendations.
Why is it on the agenda?
This is the latest Forward Plan outlining decisions to be taken by City Executive Board or Council. Members are asked to select which items they wish to pre-scrutinise. Also included is the progress document on the Scrutiny Committees recommendations and for information the report outlining the recommendations made at the last meeting on Discretionary Housing Payments.
Who has been invited to comment?
Pat Jones, Principal Scrutiny Officer.
What will happen after the meeting?
Reports will be called for and placed in the Scrutiny agenda.

5 FUSION LEISURE CONTRACT - PERFORMANCE AGAINST TARGETS 2012/13

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Contact Officer: Ian Brooke Head of Leisure, Parks and Communities
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Background Information
Members have asked to scrutinise at the end of each year Fusion Leisure performance within the contract.
Why is it on the agenda?
This report represents Fusion Performance for 2012/2013 and in response to member requests is shown overall and broken down by Leisure Centre. Performance targets are shown divided over: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Value for money.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased participation. • Improvements in the quality of service. • Outreach work. • Carbon management. <p><i>There is a not for publication appendix attached at agenda item 10.</i></p>
Who has been invited to comment?
Councillor Rowley, Board Member for Leisure Services, Ian Brooke, Head of Service for Leisure, Parks and Communities and Lucy Cherry, Leisure Manager will attend to answer the Committees questions.
What will happen after the meeting?
Any recommendations will be passed to the Board Member or the City Executive Board for consideration.

6 YOUTH AMBITION STRATEGY - CONSULTATION OUTCOME

71 - 120

Contact Officer: Ian Brooke, Head of Leisure, Parks and Communities
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Background Information
The Scrutiny Committee has asked to consider this report before decisions are made by City Executive Board.
Why is it on the agenda?
<p>The draft Youth Ambition Strategy was approved for public consultation by the City Executive Board on the 10th April 2013. The consultation enabled some feedback which has helped to further improve the strategy.</p> <p>It outlines the Council's approach to improving the life chances of young people, focusing on:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joining up Oxford's services for young people • Creating inter-partner pathways • How we can more fully involve young people in how we develop and deliver services • Levering in additional resources • Inspiring young people to reach their potential • Prioritising this work in the areas of greatest need.
Who has been invited to comment?
Councillor Lygo (on behalf of Councillor Clack) Board Member for

Parks and Sports and Ian Brooke, Head of Leisure, Parks and Communities will attend to answer the Committee's questions.
What will happen after the meeting?
This report is being considered at the City Executive Board on the 10 th . July. Any scrutiny recommendation will be considered at that meeting.

7 LOW EMISSION STRATEGY AND AIR QUALITY ACTION PLAN

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Contact Officer: Roger Pitman, Environmental Development Officer
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Background Information
The Scrutiny Committee has asked to consider this report before decisions are made by City Executive Board.
Why is it on the agenda?
In December 2011 CEB approved a Sustainability Strategy for Oxford. The Sustainability Strategy focuses on a number of core themes including Climate Change and sustainable energy, and Sustainable Transport and Air Quality. This report presents two policies linked to the Sustainability Strategy:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low Emission Strategy and; • Air Quality Action Plan
Who has been invited to comment?
Councillor Tanner, Board Member for Cleaner, Greener Oxford and Roger Pitman, Environmental Development Officer will attend to answer the Committee's questions.
What will happen after the meeting?
This report is being considered at the City Executive Board on the 10 th . July. Any scrutiny recommendation will be considered at that meeting.

8 MINUTES

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Minutes of the meeting held on 4th June attached.

9 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Meetings are scheduled as follows:-

5th September 2013 – **please note change of date**
1st October 2013
5th November 2013
3rd December 2013
14th January 2014
4th February 2014
4th March 2014
1st April 2014

All meetings start at 6pm.

10 EXEMPT MATTERS

If the Committee wishes to exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of any aspects of the preceding or following agenda items it will be necessary for the Committee to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 specifying the grounds on which their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in specific paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act 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.

The Committee 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.

The public interest in maintaining the exemption is recommended to be in order not to compromise commercially sensitive information.

PART II: MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION

Part II **Exempt Business**

Not for publication – Paragraph 3, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – information relating to financial or business affairs.

11 FUSION LEISURE CONTRACT - PERFORMANCE AGAINST TARGETS 2012/13

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Not for publication annexe to the report at agenda item 5.

DECLARING INTERESTS

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licences for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

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¹ Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those of the member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.

