

# Agenda

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## City Executive Board

Date: **Thursday 14 January 2016**

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Time: **5.00 pm**

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Place: **The Old Library, Town Hall**

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# City Executive Board

## Membership

### Chair

Councillor Bob Price	Corporate Strategy and Economic Development
Councillor Ed Turner	Finance, Corporate Asset Management and Public Health
Councillor Susan Brown	Customer Services and Corporate Services
Councillor Alex Hollingsworth	Planning, Transport and Regulatory Service
Councillor Pat Kennedy	Young People, Schools and Skills
Councillor Mark Lygo	Leisure, Sports and Events
Councillor Mike Rowley	Housing
Councillor Christine Simm	Culture and Communities
Councillor Dee Sinclair	Crime, Community Safety and Licensing
Councillor John Tanner	Climate Change and Cleaner, Greener Oxford

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# AGENDA

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**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**3 PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

When the Chair agrees, the public can ask questions about any item for decision at the meeting for up to 15 minutes. Questions must have been given to the Head of Law and Governance by 9.30am one clear working day before the meeting (email executiveboard@oxford.gov.uk or telephone the person named as staff contact). No supplementary questions or questioning will be permitted. Questions by the public will be taken as read and, when the Chair agrees, be responded to at the meeting.

**4 COUNCILLOR ADDRESSES ON ANY ITEM FOR DECISION ON THE BOARD'S AGENDA**

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**6 SCRUTINY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A Scrutiny Committee report on the Oxpens Delivery Strategy will be submitted to this meeting, following the Scrutiny Committee meeting on 12 January 2016.

**7 OXPENS DELIVERY STRATEGY**

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**Lead Members:**

Cllr Bob Price, Board Member for Corporate Strategy and Economic

Development  
Cllr Ed Turner, Board Member for Finance, Asset Management and  
Public Health  
Councillor Alex Hollingsworth Board Member for Planning & Regulatory

**Report of:** Executive Director for Regeneration and Housing

The Executive Director, Regeneration and Housing has submitted a report which provides an update on the Oxpens development scheme and seeks approval for an amendment to the strategy.

**Recommendations:** That the City Executive Board resolves to:

1. Note the contents of this report;
2. Authorise a collaboration with Nuffield College to create an appropriate joint venture vehicle through which the Oxpens strategy can be delivered, on the basis that Nuffield College would act as an investor in the vehicle and in recognition of Nuffield's position as a key landowner in the development area, as set out in this report;
3. Delegate authority to the Executive Director, Regeneration and Housing, in consultation with the Chief Executive, s151 Officer and Monitoring Officer, to agree the terms of the Council's entry into such a joint venture vehicle;
4. Authorise (if required) the placement of an appropriate VEAT notice in regard to the proposed collaboration with Nuffield College;
5. Agree to the commencement of an appropriate competitive procurement exercise to select a developer joint venture partner to become a Member of the proposed joint venture vehicle
6. Delegate authority to the Executive Director, Regeneration and Housing to agree terms for the acquisition of land at Oxpens, as described in this report, in consultation with the Chief Executive, s151 and Monitoring Officers;
7. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader, to appoint directors to the joint venture company.

**8 ITEMS RAISED BY BOARD MEMBERS**

**9 MINUTES**

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Minutes of the meeting held on 17 December 2015.

**Recommendation:** The City Executive Board NOTES the minutes of the meeting held on 17 December 2015 as a true and accurate record.

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**PART TWO**  
**MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION**

**11 OXPENS DELIVERY STRATEGY - CONFIDENTIAL APPENDICES**

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### **General duty**

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### **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**

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the Code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

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