

Agenda

Oxfordshire Growth Board

Date: **Thursday 26 April 2018**

Time: **2.00 pm**

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

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Voting Members 30/06/2017-30/06/2018

Chair - Executive Member of Oxford City Council	Councillor Bob Price
Vice-Chairman - Leader of South Oxfordshire District Council	Councillor John Cotton (to 19 April To be advised (after 19 April))
Leader of Cherwell District Council	Councillor Barry Wood
Leader of Oxfordshire County Council	Councillor Ian Hudspeth
Leader of Vale of White Horse District Council	Councillor Matthew Barber
Leader of West Oxfordshire District Council	Councillor James Mills

Non-voting Members 30/06/2017-30/06/2018

Chairman of OXLEP	Jeremy Long
Vice Chairman and Skills Board Representative	Adrian Lockwood
Universities Representative	Professor Alistair Fitt
OXLEP Business Representative – Bicester	Phil Shadbolt
OXLEP Business Representative – Oxford City	Richard Venables
OXLEP Business Representative – Science Vale	Andrew Harrison
Homes England Representative	Catherine Turner
Oxfordshire CCG Representative	Louise Patten (Chief Executive)
Environment Agency Representative	Lesley Tims

Note: Members of the Board may be accompanied at the table by senior officers from their organisation.

As a matter of courtesy, if you intend to record the meeting please let the Committee Services Officer know how you wish to do this before the start of the meeting.

AGENDA

PART ONE PUBLIC BUSINESS

Pages

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

3 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

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Purpose: to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Oxfordshire Growth Board held on 27 March 2018.

4 **GROWTH BOARD: CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Purpose: to receive communications from the Chair.

5 **GROWTH BOARD: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Members of the public may ask questions of the Chairman of the Growth Board, or address the Growth Board on any substantive item at a meeting, subject to the restrictions set out in the public participation scheme.

The total amount of time allowed for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed 30 minutes unless the Chairman consents to that in the interests of the proper conduct of the business of the Board.

A person speaking to the Board may speak for up to 3 minutes. The Board members may ask questions for clarification.

Asking a question

Questions (in full and in writing) must be received before 5pm on Friday 20 April 2018.

A written or verbal answer will be provided by the Chairman at the meeting. The questioner may ask a supplementary question directly related to either the original question or the reply received.

Addressing the Board

Notice of a wish to address the Board must be received before noon on Wednesday 25 April 2018.

Petitions

Petitions on matters directly relevant to matters in which the Board has powers and duties must be received before 5pm on Friday 20 April 2018. The representative of the petitioners may speak. Petitions are referred without discussion to the next meeting.

Questions, petitions and notice of addresses must be submitted to the committee secretary at democraticservices@oxford.gov.uk or delivered/ posted to the Chief Executive at Oxford City Council, c/o Committee and Members Services (Law & Governance), Oxford City Council, St. Aldate's Chambers, St. Aldate's, Oxford OX1 1DS.

6 PRESENTATION ON THE OXFORDSHIRE ENERGY STRATEGY

Purpose: to consider and discuss a presentation from the Chief Executive of OxLEP.

7 NPPF CONSULTATION BRIEFING

Purpose: to consider and discuss a presentation from officers.

The Draft revised National Planning Policy Framework can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/draft-revised-national-planning-policy-framework>

8 HOUSING AND GROWTH DEAL - APPROVAL OF DRAFT STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND

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Purpose: To outline the draft Statement of Common Ground that has been prepared in line with the commitments made by the Oxfordshire partners through the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal.

Recommendations:

That the Growth Board note the report and the attached draft Statement of Common Ground.

9 APPROVAL OF PLANNING FREEDOMS AND FLEXIBILITIES CONSULTATION INCLUDING THREE YEAR HOUSING LAND SUPPLY

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Purpose:

The Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal contained a commitment from Government to explore the options for time limited planning flexibilities, subject to consultation where appropriate. Following discussion with the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) a package of proposed freedoms and flexibilities has been developed.

This report sets a consultation paper on one part of this proposed package and provides an update on progress of discussions with MHCLG.

Recommendations:

That the Growth Board approve the publication for public consultation of the attached paper on the proposed Oxfordshire planning freedoms and flexibilities: specifically the introduction of a three year housing land supply requirement.

10 APPROVAL OF REVISED GROWTH BOARD TERMS OF REFERENCE

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Purpose:

The Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal included a commitment to review the Growth Board Terms of reference by April 2018 to reflect new responsibilities for oversight of delivery of the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal (the Deal).

This report sets out the key changes that result from that review and the revised Terms of Reference.

Recommendations:

That the Growth Board endorse the revised Terms of Reference for the Oxfordshire Growth Board (the Joint Committee) contained in the report.

11 MATTERS ARISING FROM OXLEP INCLUDING IMPLEMENTATION OF PRODUCTIVITY STRAND AND LIS

Purpose: to consider a presentation and update from the Chief Executive of OxLEP.

12 OXFORDSHIRE AND CROSS CORRIDOR TRANSPORT UPDATE

Purpose: to consider a verbal update from officers.

13 UPDATES ON MATTERS RELEVANT TO THE GROWTH BOARD

Growth Board members and officers may verbally update the Board on progress on matters previously before the Board for consideration, listed in the work plan, or relevant to the Board's future decisions.

This is for the sharing of information and no decisions will be taken.

14 DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

Dates for future meetings are:

From 2.00pm to 4.00 pm in the Old Library in Oxford Town Hall.

11 June 2018

Then hosted by South Oxfordshire District Council – venue to be confirmed

Dates provisionally set as:

31 July 2018

25 September 2018

27 November 2018

29 January 2019

26 March 2019

4 June 2019

Councillors' duties on 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.

Member's 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.

*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.

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