

Agenda

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Cabinet

Date: **Wednesday 13 November 2019**

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Place: **The Old Library - Oxford Town Hall**

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Cabinet

Membership

Chair/ Leader	Councillor Susan Brown	Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Partnerships
Vice Chair/ Deputy Leader	Councillor Linda Smith	Deputy Leader (Statutory), Cabinet Member for Leisure and Housing
	Councillor Ed Turner	Deputy Leader, Cabinet Member for Finance and Asset Management
	Councillor Nigel Chapman	Cabinet Member for Safer Communities and Customer Focused Services
	Councillor Mary Clarkson	Cabinet Member for Culture and City Centre
	Councillor Tom Hayes	Cabinet Member for Zero Carbon Oxford
	Councillor Alex Hollingsworth	Cabinet Member for Planning and Sustainable Transport
	Councillor Mike Rowley	Cabinet Member for Affordable Housing
	Councillor Marie Tidball	Cabinet Member for Supporting Local Communities
	Councillor Louise Upton	Cabinet Member for Healthy Oxford

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AGENDA

PART ONE PUBLIC BUSINESS

Pages

- 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 3 ADDRESSES AND QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
- 4 COUNCILLOR ADDRESSES ON ANY ITEM FOR DECISION ON THE BOARD'S AGENDA
- 5 COUNCILLOR ADDRESSES ON NEIGHBOURHOOD ISSUES
- 6 ITEMS RAISED BY BOARD MEMBERS
- 7 SCRUTINY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Scrutiny Committee meets on 05 November 2019. Any recommendations to Cabinet from that meeting will be published as a supplement to this agenda.

- 8 **COMMUNITY LED HOUSING DELIVERY AND APPROVAL TO DISPOSE OF LAND FOR HOUSING**

Lead Member: Affordable Housing (Councillor Mike Rowley)

The Head of Housing will submit a report to publish commissioned research into how Community-Led Housing (CLH) could be viably delivered in Oxford; to consider approaches to assisting the development of more Community-Led Housing; and to seek approval to lease the interest in a plot of land, at less than market value for the provision of additional affordable housing.

This report will be published as a supplement to this agenda.

- 9 **OXFORD STADIUM**

Lead Member: Planning and Sustainable Transport (Councillor Alex Hollingsworth)

The Head of Planning Services has submitted a report to put in place a

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mechanism for this council to assist in bringing forward the Oxford Local Plan 2036 proposals for Oxford Stadium if the policy approach to retain the stadium is supported by the Planning Inspector examining the Local Plan.

Recommendations: That Cabinet resolves (subject to the Local Plan policy for Oxford Stadium (SP52) to retain the Stadium with enabling residential development being found sound by the appointed Planning Inspector) to:

1. **Seek** to procure a development partner/operator, with a viable business plan, to try to acquire the Oxford Stadium by agreement and deliver the requirements set out in Policy SP52 but to indemnify the Council for the associated costs; and
2. **Confirm** that if the Oxford Stadium cannot be acquired by agreement, then, as a last resort it would be willing, if necessary, to use its Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) powers to acquire the site; and to
3. **Note** that if an option to use CPO powers was to be pursued a further report would need to be submitted to Cabinet to seek approval for a detailed scheme for the redevelopment of this site demonstrating that the legal and policy tests for the use of its CPO powers had been satisfied. This would need to be accompanied by a recommendation to Council to seek authority to set up a budget for any additional costs for the implementation of its CPO powers, which would be redeemed from the development partner.

10 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

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Lead Member: Planning and Sustainable Transport (Councillor Alex Hollingsworth)

The Head of Planning has submitted a report to present the updated programme for the preparation of documents that will form the Council's Local Plan for approval.

Recommendation: That Cabinet resolves to:

1. **Approve** the Oxford Local Development Scheme 2019-22

11 WORKFORCE EQUALITY REPORT AND UPDATE ON THE EQUALITIES ACTION PLAN

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Lead Member: Safer Communities and Customer Focused Services (Councillor Nigel Chapman)

The Head of Business Improvement has submitted a report to seek approval for the publication of the annual Workforce Equality Report 2017 to 2019; report progress on the Equalities Action Plan 2018 to 2021; and present proposals for additions to the Equalities Action Plan

2018 to 2021.

Recommendations: That Cabinet resolves to:

1. **Approve** the Workforce Equality Report 2017 to 2019;
2. **Delegate** authority to the Head of Business Improvement to publish the Workforce Equality Report and to make any typographical changes as may be required before publication;
3. **Note** the current position with the Equalities Action Plan 2018 to 2021 (developed from the Workforce Equalities Report 2015 to 2017); and
4. **Approve** the continuing and emerging actions to be included in updated Equalities Action Plan 2018 to 2021, which will be developed into a project plan for action.

12 MINUTES

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Recommendation: The City Executive Board resolves to APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on 09 October 2019 as a true and accurate record.

13 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Meetings are scheduled for the following dates:

- 11 December
- 22 January
- 12 February
- 11 March

All meetings start at 6pm.

14 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 4(2)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 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 TWO
MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION

**15 COMMUNITY LED HOUSING DELIVERY AND APPROVAL TO
DISPOSE OF LAND FOR HOUSING**

Confidential appendix to follow as a supplement with report.

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.

HOW OXFORD CITY COUNCILLORS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN ENGAGE AT THE CABINET

Addresses and questions by members of the public, (15 minutes in total)

Members of the public can submit questions in writing about any item for decision at the meeting. Questions, stating the relevant agenda item, must be received by the Head of Law and Governance by 9.30am two clear working day before the meeting (eg for a Tuesday meeting, the deadline would be 9.30am on the Friday before). Questions can be submitted either by letter or by email (to cabinet@oxford.gov.uk).

Answers to the questions will be provided in writing at the meeting; supplementary questions will not be allowed. If it is not possible to provide an answer at the meeting it will be included in the minutes that are published on the Council's website within 2 working days of the meeting.

The Chair has discretion in exceptional circumstances to agree that a submitted question or related statement (dealing with matters that appear on the agenda) can be asked verbally at the meeting. In these cases, the question and/or address is limited to 3 minutes, and will be answered verbally by the Chair or another Cabinet member or an officer of the Council. The text of any proposed address must be submitted within the same timescale as questions.

For this agenda item the Chair's decision is final.

Councillors speaking at meetings

Oxford City councillors may, when the chair agrees, address the Cabinet on an item for decision on the agenda (other than on the minutes). The member seeking to make an address must notify the Head of Law and Governance by 9.30am at least one clear working day before the meeting, stating the relevant agenda items. An address may last for no more than three minutes. If an address is made, the Cabinet member who has political responsibility for the item for decision may respond or the Cabinet will have regard to the points raised in reaching its decision.

Councillors speaking on Neighbourhood issues (10 minutes in total)

Any City Councillor can raise local issues on behalf of communities directly with the Cabinet. The member seeking to make an address must notify the Head of Law and Governance by 9.30am at least one clear working day before the meeting, giving outline details of the issue. Priority will be given to those members who have not already addressed the Cabinet within the year and in the order received. Issues can only be raised once unless otherwise agreed by the Cabinet. The Cabinet's responsibility will be to hear the issue and respond at the meeting, if possible, or arrange a written response within 10 working days.

Items raised by Cabinet members

Such items must be submitted within the same timescale as questions and will be for discussion only and not for a Cabinet decision. Any item which requires a decision of the Cabinet will be the subject of a report to a future meeting of the Cabinet

