

# Agenda

## Cabinet

This meeting will be held on:

Date: **Wednesday 11 September 2024**

Time: **6.00 pm**

Place: **Long Room - Oxford Town Hall**

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## **Cabinet Members**

Councillor Susan Brown	Leader, Partnership Working
Councillor Ed Turner	Deputy Leader (Statutory) - Finance and Asset Management
Councillor Lubna Arshad	Cabinet Member for A Safer Oxford
Councillor Nigel Chapman	Cabinet Member for Citizen Focused Services and Council Companies
Councillor Alex Hollingsworth	Cabinet Member for Business, Culture and an Inclusive Economy
Councillor Chewe Munkonge	Cabinet Member for A Healthy Oxford
Councillor Anna Railton	Cabinet Member for Zero Carbon Oxford
Councillor Linda Smith	Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities
Councillor Louise Upton	Cabinet Member for Planning

Apologies received before the publication are shown under *Apologies for absence* in the agenda. Those sent after publication will be reported at the meeting.

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Items to be considered at this meeting in open session (part 1) and in confidential session (part 2).

Future items to be discussed by the Cabinet can be found on the Forward Plan which is available on the Council's [website](#)

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<b>7 Scrutiny Reports</b>	
<p>The Scrutiny Committee will meet on 3 September 2024, the Finance and Performance Panel will meet on 4 September 2024, and the Climate and Environment Panel will meet on 10 September 2024. The following reports are expected, together with any other recommendations from those meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Council Strategy 2024-28 Key Performance Indicators</li><li>• Treasury Management Annual Report 2023-24</li><li>• Integrated Performance Report Quarter 1 2024-25.</li></ul>	
<b>8 Replacement of Front Doors to Flats with Compliant Certificated Fire Doors</b>	11 - 16
<p><b>Lead Member:</b> Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities (Councillor Linda Smith)</p> <p>The Executive Director (Communities and People) has submitted a report to seek Cabinet approval and delegated authority to award contracts to enable replacement of entrance doors to flats with compliant certificated fire doors for relevant properties in the portfolio as</p>	

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identified in fire risk assessments.

Cabinet is recommended to:

1. **Grant project approval** for the replacement of front entrance doors to flats in higher risk buildings with compliant certificated fire doors as described in the report; and
2. **Delegate authority** to the Executive Director (Communities and People) in consultation with the Head of Financial Services, the Head of Law and Governance and the Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities to enter into a contract with ODS (subject to agreeing an appropriate price in line with previous similar works) or an alternative contractor in order to deliver the installation of certified fire doors across the housing portfolio.

## 9 **Asbestos Surveying and Air Monitoring Contract**

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**Lead Member:** Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities (Councillor Linda Smith), Deputy Leader (Statutory) - Finance and Asset Management (Councillor Ed Turner)

The Executive Director (Communities and People) has submitted a report to seek Cabinet approval to procure a new asbestos surveying and air monitoring contract across both Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and General Fund budgets for 2024/29, and to seek delegated authority for officers to enter into contracts.

Cabinet is recommended to:

1. **Grant project approval** for the procurement of a new asbestos surveying and air monitoring contract across both HRA and General Fund budgets for 2024/29 as described in the report; and
2. **Delegate authority** to the Head of Housing in consultation with the Head of Financial Services; the Head of Law and Governance; and the Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities to enter into all contracts required in order to deliver the asbestos surveying obligations under the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012.

## 10 **Sale of Additional Land at Redbridge and Hinksey to the Environment Agency**

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**Lead Member:** Deputy Leader (Statutory) - Finance and Asset Management (Councillor Ed Turner)

The Executive Director (Development) has submitted a report to seek

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approval for the land sale described in the confidential appendix.

Cabinet is recommended to:

1. **Delegate authority** to the Executive Director (Development) in consultation with Head of Financial Services (Section 151 Officer), the Head of Law and Governance, and the Deputy Leader (Statutory) - Finance and Asset Management to agree the final terms and enter into the Option Agreement, Transfer and any associated documents required to complete the transaction.

## 11 Council Strategy 2024-28 Key Performance Indicators

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**Lead Member:** Leader - Partnership Working (Councillor Susan Brown)

The Head of Corporate Strategy has submitted a report to seek approval of the strategic key performance indicators for the Council Strategy 2024-28.

Cabinet is recommended to:

1. **Agree** the draft Oxford City Council key performance indicators (KPI) at Appendix 1 as measures for the Council Strategy 2024-28;
2. **Note** the benchmarking and annual targets for each 2024-28 KPI; and
3. **Delegate authority** to the Head of Corporate Strategy in consultation with the Council Leader to make any further minor amendments to the draft KPIs 2024-28 before implementation and publication, provided that such amendments do not materially affect the substance of the KPIs.

## 12 Integrated Performance Report for Q1 2024/25

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**Lead Member:** Deputy Leader (Statutory) - Finance and Asset Management (Councillor Ed Turner)

The Head of Financial Strategy has submitted a report to update the Cabinet on Finance, Risk and Corporate Performance matters as at 30 June 2024.

Cabinet is recommended to:

1. **Note** the projected financial outturn as well as the current position on risk and performance as at 30 June 2024.

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13	<b>Treasury Management Annual Report 2023-24</b>	63 - 74
	<b>Lead Member:</b> Deputy Leader (Statutory) - Finance and Asset Management (Councillor Ed Turner)	
	The Head of Financial Services has submitted a report to set out the Council's Treasury Management activity and performance for the financial year 2023/24.	
	Cabinet is recommended to:	
	1. <b>Note</b> the report.	
14	<b>Minutes</b>	75 - 84
	<b>Recommendation:</b> That Cabinet resolves to <b>approve</b> the minutes of the meeting held on 10 July 2024 as a true and accurate record.	
15	<b>Dates of Future Meetings</b>	
	Meetings are scheduled for the following dates:	
	16 October 2024	
	13 November 2024	
	11 December 2024	
	22 January 2025	
	5 February 2025	
	12 March 2025	
	All meetings start at 6.00pm.	
	<b>Matters Exempt from Publication</b>	
	If Cabinet 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 Cabinet 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.	

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Cabinet 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**

<b>16</b>	<b>Sale of Additional Land at Redbridge and Hinksey to the Environment Agency - Appendices 1 and 3</b>	<b>85 - 88</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Treasury Management Annual Report 2023-24 - Appendix 1</b>	<b>89 - 92</b>

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## **Information for those attending**

### **Recording and reporting on meetings held in public**

Members of public and press can record, or report in other ways, the parts of the meeting open to the public. You are not required to indicate in advance but it helps if you notify the Committee Services Officer prior to the meeting so that they can inform the Chair and direct you to the best place to record.

The Council asks those recording the meeting:

- To follow the protocol which can be found on the Council's [website](#)
- Not to disturb or disrupt the meeting
- Not to edit the recording in a way that could lead to misinterpretation of the proceedings. This includes not editing an image or views expressed in a way that may ridicule or show a lack of respect towards those being recorded.
- To avoid recording members of the public present, even inadvertently, unless they are addressing the meeting.

Please be aware that you may be recorded during your speech and any follow-up. If you are attending please be aware that recording may take place and that you may be inadvertently included in these.

The Chair of the meeting has absolute discretion to suspend or terminate any activities that in his or her opinion are disruptive.

### **Councillors 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; licenses 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". 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.

#### **Members' Code – Other Registrable Interests**

Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to the financial interest or wellbeing\*\* of one of your Other Registrable Interests\*\*\* then you must declare an



interest. You must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and you must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

### **Members' Code – Non Registrable Interests**

Where a matter arises at a meeting which ***directly relates*** to your financial interest or wellbeing (and does not fall under disclosable pecuniary interests), or the financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate, you must declare the interest.

Where a matter arises at a meeting which affects your own financial interest or wellbeing, a financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate or a financial interest or wellbeing of a body included under Other Registrable Interests, then you must declare the interest.

You must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room, if you answer in the affirmative to this test:

“Where a matter affects the financial interest or well-being:

- a. to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
- b. a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting.”

Otherwise, you may stay in the room, take part in the discussion and vote.

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

\*\* Wellbeing can be described as a condition of contentedness, healthiness and happiness; anything that could be said to affect a person's quality of life, either positively or negatively, is likely to affect their wellbeing.

\*\*\* Other Registrable Interests: a) any unpaid directorships b) any Body of which you are a member or are in a position of general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority c) any Body (i) exercising functions of a public nature (ii) directed to charitable purposes or (iii) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management.

## **How Oxford City Councillors and members of the public can engage at 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 working days 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](mailto: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 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 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.