

Record of Decisions of the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee On Tuesday 9 June 2026

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Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on Tuesday 9 June 2026.

Decisions made by the Cabinet and Planning – Oxford City Planning Committee will be subject to a two-day call-in period.

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8 Establishment of the Scrutiny Standing Working Groups and Review Group

The Scrutiny Committee resolved to:

1. Agree to establish the following working groups for the 2026/27 municipal year with the following remits:

- a) Finance and Performance Working Group – finance and budgetary issues and decisions, annual review of the Council’s budget, quarterly monitoring of finance and performance (including performance of the Council’s companies), executive decisions made in relation to any companies wholly or partly owned by the Council.
- b) Housing and Homelessness Working Group – strategic housing and landlord issues and decisions, homelessness, housing services performance and interaction with the Tenant’s Forum.
- c) Climate and Environment Working Group – climate and environmental issues and decisions, progress and performance monitoring, monitoring delivery of existing strategies, policies and projects.

2. Agree the Terms of Reference for:

- a) Climate and Environment Working Group at Appendix 1
- b) Finance and Performance Working Group at Appendix 2
- c) Housing and Homelessness Working Group at Appendix 3

3. Agree to appoint members and chairs of the Finance and Performance, Housing and Homelessness, and Climate and Environment Working Groups or any other working groups as agreed by the Committee in accordance with nominations made by political groups.

- a. **Finance and Performance:** Cllrs James Fry, James Thorniley, Chris Snowton (Chair), Ian Yeatman
- b. **Housing and Homelessness:** Cllrs Lizzy Diggins, Rosie Rawle (Chair), Roz Smith, Anne Stares
- c. **Climate and Environment:** Cllrs Louise Upton, Chris Jarvis (Chair), Katherine Miles, Judith Harley

4. **Agree** to establish a Budget Review Group, comprising the membership of the Finance and Performance Working Group and **note** that the proposed scope and Terms of Reference will be agreed at a future Scrutiny Committee meeting.
5. **Agree** the schedule of meetings as presented within the report;

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The Record of Decision sets out the decision taken by the Committee. Details of the reasons for the decision and any alternative options put forward for consideration (if any) were published within the reports

The Decision is available on the [Council's website](#) for the call-in period.