

## Scrutiny Recommendation Tracker 2014-15

| <b>Budget Monitoring 2014/15 – Quarter 1 – Finance Panel 4 September</b>  |                   |  |                                  |                                   |
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| <b>Recommendation</b>   | <b>Agreed Y/N</b> | <b>Executive response</b>  | <b>Lead Member &amp; Officer</b> | <b>Implemented Y/N / due date</b> |
| 1. That urgent action is taken to avoid a loss of subsidy relating to the overpayment of benefits.  | Y                 | Extra action is already being taken, looking at training and processes. The threshold is more stringent this year due to the removal of Council Tax benefit from this calculation. | Cllr Turner / Helen Bishop       | Y                                 |
| 2. If necessary to avoid slippage, a flexible approach should be taken to spending the £2m investment in Homelessness Property Acquisitions in 2014/2015. This could include investing in social housing instead. | In part           | Note sentiment but other uses are likely to take longer.   | Cllr Turner                      | N/A                               |
| 3. The premises for the heavy vehicle testing facility should be flexible enough that it can be used for other purposes in the event that the testing facility is not successful.                                 | Y                 | The facility is expected to be successful.   | Cllr Turner                      | March 2015                        |
| 4. The capital programme should be a red risk in performance reports until the new capital gateway process proven to be effective.  | N                 | Risks are measured using the Risk Management Framework agreed by Council.  | Cllr Turner                      | N/A                               |
| <b>Treasury Management – Finance Panel 4 September</b>  |                   |  |                                  |                                   |
| <b>Recommendation</b>   | <b>Agreed Y/N</b> | <b>Executive response</b>  | <b>Lead Member &amp; Officer</b> | <b>Implemented Y/N / due date</b> |
| 1. That consideration is given to how the capital process can be made more flexible so that approved projects can   | In part           | Noted. Where possible a flexible approach will be taken. Changes to the capital programme have to be agreed  | Cllr Turner                      | N/A                               |

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| be brought forward to mitigate slippage elsewhere in the programme.   |                   | by Council.   |                                  |                                   |
| <b>Oxfordshire Growth Board - Scrutiny Committee 23 June</b>  |                   |   |                                  |                                   |
| <b>Recommendation</b>   | <b>Agreed Y/N</b> | <b>Executive response</b>   | <b>Lead Member &amp; Officer</b> | <b>Implemented Y/N / due date</b> |
| 1. For the Terms of Reference to explicitly set out that meeting agendas and minutes will be publicly available and that access to meetings will be possible for Councillors and members of the public. | Y                 | This suggestion will be referred to the Board   | Cllr Price                       | Dec 2014                          |
| <b>Community Engagement Policy Statement - Scrutiny Committee 23 June</b>   |                   |   |                                  |                                   |
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| 5. To provide a clear statement in the principles on the ambition for engagement focusing on depth as well as breadth.  | Y                 | Merged with recommendation 3.   | Cllr Price;<br>Sadie Paige       | N/A                               |
| 6. To provide information on the engagement ambitions set for all consultations during the last year, what was achieved and how this fits with the principles set within the Policy Statement.          | Y                 | To provide this information for all consultations would be a huge piece of work so a sample will be used instead, together with a forward-looking approach.                   | Cllr Price;<br>Sadie Paige       | 10 Nov 14                         |
| 7. To suggest to the Scrutiny Committee an up and coming engagement/empowerment exercise that can act as a pilot study to demonstrate the effectiveness of the principles within this report.           | Y                 | Two consultations identified as candidates for the pilot as per CEB suggestion. Project brief created for the pilot, which includes the objectives, and a reporting template. | Cllr Price;<br>Sadie Paige       | 2 March 14                        |
| 8. To provide a table that shows how all  | Y                 | Expected at 10 November Scrutiny  | Cllr Price;                      | 10 Nov 14                         |

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| comments received during the consultation on this Policy Statement have been handled.   |                   | Committee meeting.  | Sadie Paige                                 |                        |
| <b>End of Year Integrated Report – 2013-2014 - Scrutiny Committee 23 June</b>   |                   |   |   |                        |
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| 2. The Committee supports the purchase of the Iffley Road building as an asset of value to the community and recognises that negotiations are on-going. There is a gap between the asking price and the money available and the City Executive Board is asked to do what it can within reasonable value for money criteria to secure the purchase of this property. | Y                 | Noted (£250k has been earmarked for acquisition of property).       | Cllr Turner;<br>Nigel Kennedy; Jane Lubbock | N                      |
| 3. To consider the contingency available to support homelessness in light of county proposals for implementing cuts in the Supporting People and if underspends from 13/14 should be maintained within this budget.   | N                 | Current level of contingency considered to be sufficient.           | Cllr Turner;<br>Nigel Kennedy; Jane Lubbock | N/A                    |
| <b>Fusion Lifestyle Performance 2013-2014 - Scrutiny Committee 23 June</b>  |                   |   |   |                        |
| <b>Additional information requested</b>   | <b>Agreed Y/N</b> | <b>Outcome</b>  | <b>Lead Member &amp; Officer</b>            | <b>Implemented Y/N</b> |
| <b>Facility running costs</b><br>It was agreed at the June meeting in 2013 that the running costs of the facilities would be shown including all capital investment and loan cost in the next report. This hadn't been done.  | N/A               | Information papers considered by Scrutiny Committee on 2 September. | Cllr Rowley;<br>Lucy Cherry                 | N                      |

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| <p><b>Performance outside of expectations</b><br/>Members asked how poor performance was addressed and asked to see the issues raised and the actions/penalties taken over the last year.</p> <p><b>Publicity Campaign</b><br/>An issue was raised concerning literature used to highlight the Active Women Campaign. The images used were considered to be too stereotypical and gendered. The Committee asked that this issue be taken up with Sports England who run this national campaign.</p> <p><b>Views of non-card users at facilities</b><br/>The Committee asked to see any information on the views and experiences of non-card users.</p> <p><b>Falling attendance amongst young people</b><br/>The Committee were concerned to see this and wanted some more detailed data and information to understand more fully the reasons behind it and whether it was a particular set of circumstances or a trend.</p> <p><b>Information excluded from the public</b><br/>The Committee heard a complaint from a member of the public that the information</p> |  |  |  |  |
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| <p>provided outlining the running costs to the Council of each Leisure Facility should be made public because if the Council was still running these centres then the information would be available publically. The Committee heard that this was commercial information but asked that this exclusion is reconsidered by Fusion.</p> <p><b>Investment financing</b><br/>Members were interested in why the City Council financed investment spending that Fusion Lifestyle was originally required to finance, and in how much this saved the partnership.</p> |  |  |  |  |
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