Scrutiny recommendation tracker 2016/17 – January 2017

Total recommendations: 72

Agreed 54 75% Agreed in part 7 10% Not agreed 11 15%

15 DECEMBER 2016 CITY EXECUTIVE BOARD

Air Quality

Recommendation	Agreed?	Draft CEB minutes
1. That the City Council continues to seek to comply with the current EU air quality targets in the event that the UK Government chooses to introduce less-stringent targets after leaving the EU.	Y	
2. That the City Council should promote and raise public awareness of initiatives to improve air quality in Oxford such as the Low Emissions Zone.	Y	
3. That the City Council gathers empirical evidence of the impacts of boat emissions on air quality and works in partnership with partners to identify solutions.	Y	Cllr Tanner said he planned to review the issue further
4. That further consideration is given to whether tree planting should form part of the City Council's approach to improving air quality in Oxford.	Y	
5. That the City Council works with the Transport Authority in order to achieve air quality objective levels in the worst areas (e.g. St. Clements).	Y	
6. That the City and County Council encourage shoppers to utilise sustainable methods of transport when the Westgate Shopping Centre reopens in autumn 2017.	Y	Cllr Tanner said he felt the recommendation needed to be more assertive about lobbying the County Council to explain how they are going to manage the expected increase of cars in and out of Oxford when Westgate opens.
		Cllr Price said the City Council was planning to install signs which told driver whether the Westgate car-park was full on the outskirts of the park and rides.

Quarterly Integrated Performance 2016/17 Quarter 2

Recommendation	Agreed?	Comment
That consideration is given to spending some of the £1.5m released from unused corporate contingencies on one-off revenue projects.	Y	The recommended spend on the Councils General Fund capital programme is around £123 million over the next four years. Much of the spend will produce ongoing revenue savings to assist in supporting the Medium Term Financial Plan as Government grant is reduced. All capital expenditure needs to be funded either by capital receipts, (through sale of assets), external grants, borrowing or revenue. However provided the capital programme is fully funded we can look at one- off revenue schemes closer to the year end.
2. That the expected and potential financial impacts of Brexit on the City Council and the wider economy should be included as a risk in the Corporate Risk Register.	Y	We agree to refer to the Brexit risk within the main risks included in the corporate risk register specifically around 'implications on the delivery of the financial plan' and 'adverse impact on Oxford's local economy'. We will monitor this risk and ensure that the impact where possible is mitigated.

Treasury Management performance for the 6 months ending 30 September 2016

Recommendation	Agreed?	Comment
That consideration is given to how the remaining £3m	Υ	The £3million referred to is the amount of non-specified
of cash resources available for non-specified		investments 'headroom' that is remaining based on a self
investments in 2016/17 can best be utilised and		imposed ceiling of 25% of the previous year's average
whether there is a case for maximising unspecified		investments, in accordance with the Treasury Management
investments given the relatively low interest rates		Strategy. The Council will shortly be reviewing its Treasury
available on external borrowing as an alternative to		Management Strategy and in doing so the funding of the
internal borrowing.		significant increase in borrowing included in the MTFP, from
		internal or external resources. At this point in time we will
		consider the placement of further funds with non- specified
		funds as is suggested, taking cash flow into consideration.

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