

Agenda



Oxfordshire Growth Board Scrutiny Panel

Thursday 23 January 2020 at 6.30 pm

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Councillor Tom Wallis	Cherwell District Council
Councillor Lucinda Wing	
Councillor Sean Woodcock, (Vice-Chair)	
Councillor Nick Carter	Oxfordshire County Council
Councillor Damian Haywood	
Councillor Richard Webber	
Councillor Peter Dragonetti	South Oxfordshire District Council
Councillor Anne-Marie Simpson	
Councillor Sarah Gray	
Councillor Andy Cooke	Vale of White Horse District Council
Councillor Hayleigh Gascoigne	
Councillor Matt Barber	
Councillor Derek Cotterill	West Oxfordshire District Council
Councillor Ted Fenton	
Councillor Julian Cooper	

The quorum is six members, one from each council. Substitutes are allowed and should be notified to the contact above.

The meeting is open to the press and public.

As a matter of courtesy, if you intend to record the meeting please let the contact officer know in advance of this meeting.

AGENDA

1 **Apologies for absence and substitutes; declarations of interest; Chair's announcements**

2 **Minutes of previous meeting** (Pages 7 - 19)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 19 September 2019.

3 **Public participation**

Members of the public may address meetings of the Scrutiny Panel where notice is given to the secretariat no later than 4.00pm **on Wednesday 22 January 2020**. Notice of the subject of the address or the full question to be asked must be sent to democratic.services@oxfordshiregrowthboard.org The Chair will have discretion to manage the public participation procedure as they see appropriate.

4 **Growth Board response to Scrutiny Panel Recommendations 19 September 2019** (Pages 20 - 22)

To consider the Growth Board's response to the recommendations to the Board from the Scrutiny Panel meeting on 19 September 2019.

5 **Update from Councillor James Mills, Chair of the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Advisory Sub-Group**

The Scrutiny Panel agreed to invite the Chairs of the Growth Board Advisory Sub-Groups on a rotating basis. Councillor James Mills, Chair of the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Sub-Group, has been invited to attend this meeting to give an update.

6 **Oxfordshire Growth Board papers 28 January 2020**

To consider reports and matters on the agenda for the Oxfordshire Growth Board meeting on 28 January 2020. Reports are set out under the subheadings below.

a **Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Sub-Group update** (Pages 23 - 32)

To receive an update from the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Sub-Group. Summary notes from the meetings held on 17 October 2019 and 14 November 2019 are attached.

b Oxfordshire Local Plans Update (Pages 33 - 35)

To note progress in adopting Local Plans for each of the five Districts.

c Growth Board Review (To Follow)

To review and comment on the report to the Growth Board setting out the findings of the review approved on 24 September 2019. (report to follow).

d Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal Progress Report Q2 (Pages 36 - 43)

To review the 2019/20 Quarter 2 progress report to the Growth Board for the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal.

e Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal Grant Funding Streams Interim Financial Summary Report - Period Q2 2019/20 (Pages 44 - 47)

To review an update to the Growth Board setting out the interim financial position of the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal Grant Funding Streams for the Infrastructure Programme, Affordable Housing Programme and the Growth Deal Capacity Fund for the period 2017/18 to Q2 (September) 2019/20.

f Oxfordshire Rail Corridor Study (Pages 48 - 65)

To review a report setting out the conclusions and recommendations of stage one of the Study, (which was endorsed by the Growth Board in June 2018) and approve the scope of stage 2, which sets out areas requiring further detailed options work.

g Digital Infrastructure Strategy (Pages 66 - 113)

To review a report on the Digital Infrastructure Strategy which recommends that the Growth Board welcomes the Digital Infrastructure Strategy and that the Growth Board consider recommending that each constituent consider adoption of the Digital Infrastructure Strategy via their own decision making processes.

h Infrastructure Sub-Group update (Pages 114 - 120)

To note an update from the Infrastructure Sub-Group. Summary notes from the meeting held on 18 September 2019 and 6 November 2019 are attached. Notes from 14 January 2020 to follow.

i Housing Advisory Sub-Group update (Pages 121 - 129)

To note an update from the Housing Advisory Sub-Group. The summary notes from the meeting held on 5 November 2019 and 7 January 2020 are attached.

7 Work Programme for the Scrutiny Panel and Action Log - January 2020 (Pages 130 - 140)

To discuss the draft work programme for the Panel submitted for consideration by the Panel's Scrutiny Officer and requests for information/actions from previous meetings.

8 Dates of meetings

Purpose: To note the dates for meetings of this Panel:

Scrutiny Panel	Growth Board
<i>Wed 4 March 6.30 pm*</i>	<i>Wed 11 March 2 pm*</i>
Thurs 28 May 6.30 pm	Tues 2 June 2 pm
Provisional Tues 15 Sept 6.30 pm	Provisional Tues 22 Sept 2 pm
Provisional Tues 17 Nov 6.30 pm	Provisional Tues 24 Nov 2 pm
Provisional Tues 19 Jan 2021 6.30 pm	Provisional Tues 26 Jan 2021 2 pm
Provisional Tues 16 Mar 2021 6.30 pm	Provisional Tues 23 March 2021 2 pm
Provisional Tues 1 June 2021 6.30 pm	Provisional Tues 8 June 2021 2 pm

Meetings of the scrutiny panel to be held in Oxford Town Hall unless otherwise stated.

*** amended date**

Councillors' duties on 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.

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Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Councillors' 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.

