

Agenda



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A MEETING OF THE

Cabinet

**WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2024 AT 6.00 PM
MEETING ROOM 1, ABBEY HOUSE, ABBEY CLOSE, ABINGDON, OX14
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Members of the Cabinet

Member	Portfolio
David Rouane (Chair)	Leader of the Council, plus Cabinet member for cross council themes including climate action, communications, and legal and democratic services
Robin Bennett (Vice-Chair)	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet member for economic development and regeneration
Maggie Filipova-Rivers (Vice-Chair)	Statutory Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet member for housing and community hub
Pieter-Paul Barker	Cabinet member for finance and property assets
Sam Casey-Rerhaye	Cabinet member for corporate services
Georgina Heritage	Cabinet member for communities
Sam James-Lawrie	Cabinet member for the environment
Anne-Marie Simpson	Cabinet member for planning

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ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC PRESENT

Reports considered with the public present are available on the council's website.

1 Chair's announcements

To receive any announcements from the chair.

2 Apologies for absence

To record apologies for absence.

3 Minutes (To Follow)

To adopt and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 10 October 2024.

4 Declaration of interests

To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, other registrable interests and non-registrable interests or any conflicts of interest in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

5 Urgent business

To receive notification of any matters which the chair determines should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances which have made the matters urgent.

6 Public participation

To receive any questions or statements from members of the public that have registered to speak.

The deadline for registering to speak is Wednesday 27 November at 5pm.

7 Recommendations and updates from other committees (Page 5)

To consider the attached paper, being the recommendations and updates from other committees to Cabinet.

8 Leisure Facilities Strategy and Playing Pitch Strategy (Pages 6 - 468)

To consider the Head of Policy and Programmes' report.

9 Council Tax base setting 2025/26 (Pages 469 - 474)

To consider the Head of Finance's report.

10 Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTR) 2025/26 - Backdating rules (Pages 475 - 477)

To consider the Head of Finance's report.

11 Performing Arts Grants Policy (Pages 478 - 490)

To consider the report from the Head of Communities.

12 Update to the Joint Public Health Funerals Policy (Pages 491 - 501)

To consider the Head of Housing & Environment's report.

13 Waste Transfer Station Contract Award (Pages 502 - 505)

To consider the Head of Housing and Environment's report.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED

The council hereby gives notice that it intends to hold part of this Cabinet meeting in private to consider the following items for the reasons set out in the 'exclusion of the public' item above. These reports are not available on the council's website.

14 Exclusion of the Public

To consider whether to exclude members of the press and public from the meeting for the following items of business under Section 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended on the grounds that:

- (i) It is likely that there will be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A, and
- (ii) the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

15 Waste Transfer Station Contract Award (Page 506)

To consider the confidential appendix to the Head of Housing and Environment's report.

16 Recommendations and updates from other committees (Page 507)

To consider the attached paper, being the confidential recommendations and updates from other committees to Cabinet.

17 Land Acquisition (Pages 508 - 541)

To consider the Head of Development and Corporate Landlord's report.

Nick Bennett
Head of Legal and Democratic