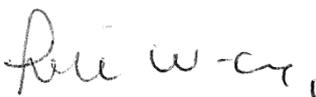


Date of issue: Wednesday, 5 January 2022

MEETING:	OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (Councillors Gahir (Chair), Matloob (Vice Chair), Basra, Dhaliwal, Hussain, Kaur, Malik, Sharif and Smith)
DATE AND TIME:	THURSDAY, 13TH JANUARY, 2022 AT 6.30 PM
VENUE:	COUNCIL CHAMBER - OBSERVATORY HOUSE, 25 WINDSOR ROAD, SL1 2EL
DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICER: (for all enquiries)	NICHOLAS PONTONE 07749 709 868

NOTICE OF MEETING

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JOSIE WRAGG
Chief Executive

AGENDA

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All Members who believe they have a Disclosable Pecuniary or other Interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting must declare that interest and, having regard to the circumstances described in Section 9 and Appendix B of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter is discussed.



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Overview & Scrutiny Committee – Meeting held on Thursday, 4th November, 2021.

Present:- Councillors Gahir (Chair), Matloob (Vice-Chair), Kaur, Malik, Sharif and Smith

Also present under Rule 30:- Councillors Ali, Hulme, Mohammad and Swindlehurst

Apologies for Absence:- Councillor Basra, Dhaliwal and Hussain

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9. Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

10. Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 16th September 2021

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 16th September 2021 be approved as a correct record.

11. Member Questions

No Member Questions had been submitted.

12. Draft Budget Proposals 2022/23

The Leader of the Council, who had portfolio responsibility for finance and several corporate services, gave a detailed presentation on the in-year budget position for 2021/22 and the draft savings proposals for 2022/23 for corporate services including finance, commercial, governance, IT, HR and business support.

The Committee noted that in view of the Council's severe financial position, including the Section 114 notice issued in July, intensive work had been taking place by Lead Members and Directors in recent months to close the budget gap in the current year, develop robust savings plans for next year and improve financial processes and governance. The scrutiny arrangements were being significantly strengthened with the Overview & Scrutiny Committee considering corporate budget savings much earlier than previous years, and each of the three scrutiny panels would conduct detailed scrutiny of proposals in their directorates in November and again in January 2022 prior to the budget being set in March 2022.

The Leader summarised the slides which had been circulated with the agenda. In relation to finance and commercial matters, it was noted that the key issues for 2021/22 included delivering three years of accounts and prior year adjustments; preparing the Council's Recovery & Renewal Plan;

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reviewing all Council companies; improving financial management practice; and addressing the outstanding internal audit recommendations. There were a number of challenges in the Revenues & Benefits service and the plans in place to address them were summarised. The finance and commercial savings proposed for 2022/23 included a reduction in the audit fee and reviewing internal audit and procurement services. In relation to other corporate services, savings proposals included reduced building management costs and additional income, managing vacancies and ICT contract savings. It was recognised that there would need to be investment in a number of core services, such as finance, IT modernisation and scrutiny support.

The Committee welcomed the early opportunity to scrutinise the budget and asked a number of questions which are summarised as follows:

- *Did the Council receive good value from externally provided services such as internal audit, procurement and legal and were the arrangements being reviewed?* Each contract varied, for example the contract with HB Law was five-year agreement entered into in 2018 and provided the Council with access to specialist advice and support that it couldn't provide with an in-house service. Prior to the HB Law contract the Council often had to draw on more expensive specialist legal advice and the current arrangement was stable, although further efficiencies could be explored and the longer term options would be considered when the contract approach its end date. The additional procurement support from RSM was initially a short term arrangement that was extended. It would be subject to a review to move from relatively expensive short term support to a more sustainable, permanent model. All options were being assessed. Members of the Committee expressed concern that governance processes for awarding and then extending a short term procurement support contract of this nature did not appear to followed due process, although it was recognised that it was important that the Council had access to the appropriate professional expertise given the scale of its external contracts. Assurance was provided that steps were being taken to address weaknesses identified in financial governance, including revised contract procedure rules which would be considered by Council later in November.
- *The Council would be required to dispose of a significant proportion of its assets as part of the Capitalisation Directive. What was the current position on the status of a revised request to Government?* It was responded that the original capitalisation request of circa £15m submitted in March 2021 had risen substantially as the new financial team had uncovered significant issues, including with the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP). A revised request had not yet been submitted to the Government, but it would be above £200m and would require substantial disposals from the Council's asset base of approximately £1.2bn. The Cabinet had already agreed some of the processes to manage the disposals programme and a report had been provided to Place Scrutiny Panel in September.

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- *What was the overall savings position for 2022/23 and how would residents be effected?* The Leader commented that, after extensive and urgent work, savings plans for the current year would be delivered and the savings proposed largely closed the revenue budget gap for 2022/23. Further work would be undertaken to fully close the gap prior to budget setting and the savings proposals and business cases were now being refined and reviewed, including by scrutiny. Consultation with residents on the budget would begin this month and there would also be separate consultations for a number of savings proposals where there were significant impacts on service provision such a day centres, children's centres and libraries. The Section 151 Officer highlighted that in relation to the corporate services the savings would not have a significant impact on residents and that savings on frontline services would be reviewed by the scrutiny panels in the coming weeks.
- *How had the Council made such a significant error in MRP, had the issue been investigated and would Member training be provided on such matters?* The Leader reviewed the background the decisions on MRP taken in 2016, including that Members had agreed a review following a change to government guidance, but that the outcome of this review had not come back to Members. The Section 151 Officer stated that a significant amount of work had been done by the new finance team to understand and address the issues, although the financial gap caused by the errors were severe. A new treasury management strategy would come to Council in early 2022 for approval and a proposal on enhanced finance training for Members would be considered by the Audit & Corporate Governance Committee in December.
- *There was a high level of outstanding debt in revenues and benefits. What was being done to improve collection rates?* The Council had taken a different approach to debt collection early in the Covid-19 pandemic although steps had been taken to normalise debt recovery. The Section 151 Officer confirmed that there was a detailed Revenues & Benefits Improvement Plan and debt collection was a key part of the plan.
- *The governance reviews had highlighted weaknesses with the Council's companies. How were these issues being addressed?* All the Council's companies were being reviewed, with the exception of the newly established Slough Children First. The Council had 11 subsidiary companies, several of which were dormant and would be closed. Some of the company arrangements were complex and required a significant amount of work to review. Companies that were retained would be subject to improved governance and financial management processes.

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Each service area listed in the presentation was considered in turn. Members asked several other specific questions about savings relating to the need for the legal library, corporate training budget and the telephony system. In relation to the electoral cycle it was noted that the Council had established a Member Working Group last year to consider a proposal to move to whole Council elections and a consultation would take place with residents in November and December. The Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities (DLUHC) had highlighted the importance of this issue as part of improving the Council's governance.

The Committee raised the issue of further restructures following Our Futures and the service reviews. This led to a discussion during which Members agreed the provision of high quality core services such as finance, IT and HR were critical to supporting the delivery of frontline services by other directorates. Some Members expressed concern that budget and service reductions in core services would be counter-productive. It was noted that the recruitment freeze over the past year had led to skills gaps and a lack of capacity in certain corporate services and the service reviews would need to address these issues to ensure key services were adequately functioning. The Committee asked that further information be provided in due course on the service reviews and restructures relating to corporate services, particularly finance, IT, HR and revenues & benefits. The Committee also strongly supported the commitment to provide sufficient resources for scrutiny support as this had been removed in the Our Futures re-organisation and should be appropriately restored as had been highlighted in the governance review.

At the conclusion of the discussion the Committee welcomed the early opportunity to scrutinise the corporate budget proposals. Members were generally in agreement with the proposed corporate savings but also agreed that core corporate services were crucial to the delivery of frontline Council services and in some instances would require investment to bring back up to the required standard, including finance, IT and HR. The Chair encouraged committee members to attend some of the forthcoming scrutiny panel meetings at which directorate budget proposals would be discussed.

Resolved – That the budget position for corporate services in 2021/22 and the draft savings proposals for 2022/23 were noted and the comments of the Committee would be taken into consideration during the budget process.

13. Forward Work Programme

The Committee considered the work programme for the remainder of the municipal year. Members agreed that they wished to scrutinise the Repairs, Maintenance & Investment contract for housing repairs. The Customer & Community Scrutiny Panel was due to carry out scrutiny of this matter in December 2021 and it was agreed that this would jointly scrutinised.

In view of the discussion earlier in the meeting during consideration of the corporate budget proposals, the Committee agreed to add the IT

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modernisation programme and restructure to its work programme. The date would be confirmed in due course as the timelines for this programme were not yet finalised.

Resolved – That the work programme be agreed.

14. Members' Attendance Record 2021/22

Resolved - That the Members' Attendance Record for the 2021/22 municipal year be noted.

15. Date of Next Meeting - 13th January 2022

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 13th January 2022 at 6.30pm.

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 6.30 pm and closed at 8.42 pm)

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Police & Criminal Justice Plan

2021-2025



Recruiting more police officers, supporting neighbourhood policing, and focussing on driving down the crimes that matter most to the public.

- Neighbourhood policing
- Crime prevention
- Communication with victims
- Community speedwatch
- Low levels of burglaries
- Reducing rural crime
- Reducing serious violence inc. murder
- Community engagement
- Reducing neighbourhood crime & ASB
- Confidence in victims to report domestic abuse
- Proportionate use of stop and search
- Improving 101 & other contact
- Working with NHS on mental health

Strong Local Policing

Preventing crime and protecting communities



Cracking down on the threat from “county lines” drugs gangs to protect children from exploitation and abuse.

- Develop the work of the Violence Reduction Unit
- Reducing deaths from knife crime
- Increasing the number of disruptions and successful prosecutions for serious organised crime
- Serious organise acquisitive crime
- Preventing exploitation
- Ensuring regional resources support local investigations
- Early intervention to prevent young people becoming victims or perpetrators

Fighting serious organised crime

Protecting vulnerable people



Crime is changing and I will invest in the technology and resources the police need to protect the public online.

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- Improving education and awareness to help the public
- Working with national and regional partners to develop a more effective national response
- Increasing confidence in reporting cyber and fraud offences
- Increasing the number of successful cybercrime and fraud outcomes
- Enhancing the expertise and capability within TVP and SEROCU to improve both prevention and investigation

Fighting fraud and cyber crime

Tackling modern crimes



Supporting victims of crime, bringing more criminals to justice and reducing reoffending.

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- Improving performance in dealing with crimes such as domestic abuse, rape & serious sexual offences
- Improving victim satisfaction and experience of the criminal justice system
- High quality support for victims of crime
- Increasing successful outcomes through the criminal justice system
- Reducing reoffending in the Thames Valley
- Supporting innovation in crime prevention and rehabilitation

Improving the criminal justice system

Reducing reoffending



Ensuring a fair but firm response to illegal encampments and reducing the effect on our communities.

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- Ensuring that the police and local authorities establish (and keep under review) a clear strategy to respond to illegal encampments
- Reducing the number of illegal encampments across the Thames Valley
- Working with local authorities on the appropriate provision of sites
- Improving intelligence gathering and site security

Tackling illegal encampments

Enforcing a firm but fair approach with partners



- Rural crime
- Business crime
- Neighbourhood policing
- Road safety
- Fly-tipping and environmental crime

and many more

Future strategies

Preventing crime and protecting communities



- New fairer funding formula for the Community Safety Fund
 - Three-year deal guarantees more than £7.7m for local authorities
 - Spending in line with Police & Criminal Justice Plan and can be spread over three years (with agreement)
 - Distribution weighted by population, crime and non-crime (ASB)
- Increased analytical support
- Joint bids and commissioning opportunities such as Safer Streets funding
- Focus on prevention and anti-social behaviour
- Support for dealing with Community Trigger applications

Community Safety Partnerships

Preventing crime in partnership

- Fly-tipping on private land often left un-investigated and victims unsupported
- Funding available for local authorities to remove waste using existing contracts
- Local authorities use own powers to investigate and where possible prosecute
- Fine secured to be reinvested for future removals
- If successful seek to roll out across Thames Valley



Fly-tipping

Pilot scheme to tackle fly-tipping on private land



- Pilot running since April 2021
- Roll-out to existing groups from October 2021
- Promoted to new groups from Spring 2022
- Equipment and training provided
- Escalation built into process to utilise neighbourhood teams, roads policing and highways authorities

Community Speedwatch

Working with communities to tackle speeding



- Net increase of 269 officers since Sept 2019 (headcount as at June 2021)
- Headcount at June 2021 4,519 – highest number of officers ever
- Uplift target 600+ (versus Sept 2019 baseline)
- Ambition to continue recruitment beyond Home Office 2023 target
- Funding to increase the recruitment of PCSOs
- Focus on Specials and other volunteers

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Police Officer Recruitment

Increasing officer numbers and visibility



- **Overarching name for PCC's work in providing support to victims of crime**
- **Provides free emotional and practical support to victims and witnesses of crime**
- **Receives referrals through from the police and partners as well as self-referrals**
- **Dedicated Victims First Team based at Berkshire Fire and Rescue HQ, near Reading**



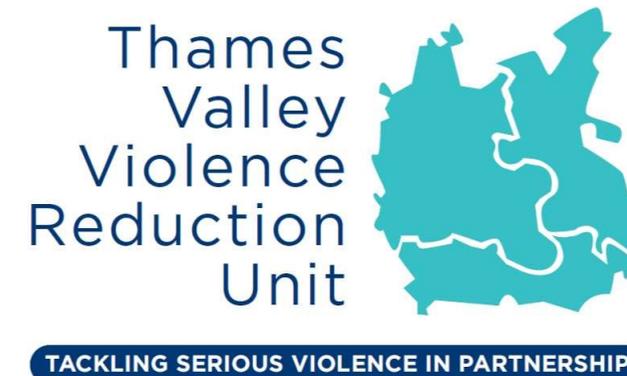
Victims First

www.victims-first.org.uk 0300 1234 148



- Cross-agency project led by PCC
- Thames Valley Police working closely with councils, youth offending teams and schools
- Intensive engagement and diversion
- Operational response
- More than £4m additional funding from Home Office
- Aiming to achieve long term reductions
- Thames Valley Together data project

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Violence Reduction Unit

Tackling serious violence in partnership



- £100,000 funding pot made available twice per annum
- Additional funding direct from the Community Fund
- Projects must support the priorities set out in the Police & Criminal Justice Plan
- Two levels of grant
 - Micro-grants – less than £1,000
 - Larger grants – more than £5,000



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SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

DATE: 13th January 2022

CONTACT OFFICER: Nick Pontone, Democratic Services Lead
(For all Enquiries) (01753) 875120

WARDS: All

PART I
FOR CONSIDERATION & COMMENT

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2021/22

1. **Purpose of Report**

For the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) to identify priorities and topics for its Work Programme for the 2021/22 municipal year.

2. **Recommendations/Proposed Action**

2.1 That the OSC consider its work programme for the remainder of the 2021/22 municipal year.

3. **The Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy, the JSNA and the Five Year Plan**

3.1 The Council's decision-making and the effective scrutiny of it underpins the delivery of all the Joint Slough Wellbeing Strategy priorities. The OSC, alongside the 3 Scrutiny Panels combine to meet the local authority's statutory requirement to provide public transparency and accountability, ensuring the best outcomes for the residents of Slough.

3.2 The work of scrutiny also reflects the priorities of the Five Year Plan, as follows:

- Slough children will grow up to be happy, healthy and successful
- Our people will be healthier and manage their own care needs
- Slough will be an attractive place where people choose to live, work and stay
- Our residents will live in good quality homes
- Slough will attract, retain and grow businesses and investment to provide opportunities for our residents

3.3 Overview and Scrutiny is a process by which decision-makers are accountable to local people, via their elected representatives for improving outcomes relating to all priorities for the Borough and its residents. Scrutiny seeks to influence those who make decisions by considering the major issues affecting the Borough and making recommendations about how services can be improved.

4. **Supporting Information**

- 4.1 The purpose of Overview and Scrutiny is to hold those that make decisions to account and help Slough's residents by suggesting improvements that the Council or its partners could make.
- 4.2 Prioritising issues is difficult. The Scrutiny function has limited support resources, and therefore it is important that the work scrutiny chooses to do adds value.
- 4.3 There are three key elements that make up the responsibilities of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:
- provide transparency and public accountability for key documents relating to the financial management and performance of the Council;
 - scrutinise significant proposals which are scheduled for, or have been taken as, a Cabinet/Officer delegated decision; and
 - strategic shaping of service improvements relating to the Cabinet Portfolios of Finance & Strategy and Performance & Accountability
- 4.4 In considering what the OSC should look at under points two and three above, Members are invited to consider the following questions:
- *To what extent does this issue impact on the lives of Slough's residents?*
 - *Is this issue strategic and pertinent across the Borough?*
 - *What difference will it make if O&S looks at this issue?*

5. **Suggested Topics**

- 5.1 It is generally recommended that a Scrutiny Committee should aim to look at no more than 2 or 3 items in any one meeting. This limited number can prove challenging, but does allow the Committee to delve down into specific subject areas and fully scrutinise the work that is being undertaken.
- 5.2 This will be a continuous process, and flexibility and responsiveness vital to success. It is important not to over-pack the Committee's agenda at the start of the year, which will not allow the flexibility for the Committee to adapt to take into consideration issues that have arisen during the year.

6. **Resource Implications**

- 6.1 Overview and Scrutiny will be supported by the Democratic Services Team. Therefore, this is a finite resource and consideration must be given, in conjunction with the work programmes for the three Scrutiny Panels, as to how the resource is used during the year.

7. **Conclusion**

- 7.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee plays a key role in ensuring the transparency and accountability of the Council's financial and performance management, and strategic direction. The proposals contained within this report highlight some of the key elements which the Committee must or may wish to scrutinise over the coming municipal year.
- 7.2 This report is intended to provide the Committee with information and guidance on how best to organise its work programme for the 2021/22 municipal year. As previously stated, this is an ongoing process and there will be flexibility to amend the programme as the year progresses, however, it is important that the Committee organises its priorities at the start of the year.

8. **Appendices Attached**

- A - Draft Work Programme for 2021/22 Municipal Year
- B - Cabinet – Notifications of Decisions

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OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
WORK PROGRAMME 2021/2022

Meeting Date
17 February 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Budget Monitoring (Revenue and Capital) – Q3 2021/22 • Capital Strategy 2022/23 • Treasury Management Strategy 2022/23 • Revenue Budget 2022/23
17 March 2022
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7 April 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview & Scrutiny Annual Report 2021/22 • For information: Petitions – Annual Summary

Unscheduled items

- COVID-19 update and recovery
- Nova House fire remediation works
- Devolution and investment in Slough (Response to the Devolution White Paper - when it is published, and if relevant)
- Corporate service reviews (possibly including IT, Revenues & Benefits)

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NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS

1 JANUARY 2022 TO 31 MARCH 2022

Date of Publication: 17th December 2021

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS

Slough Borough Council has a decision making process involving an Executive (Cabinet) and a Scrutiny Function.

As part of the process, the Council will publish a Notification of Decisions which sets out the decisions which the Cabinet intends to take over the following 3 months. The Notice includes both Key and non Key decisions. Key decisions are those which are financially significant or have a significant impact on 2 or more Wards in the Town. This Notice supersedes all previous editions.

Whilst the majority of the Cabinet's business at the meetings listed in this document will be open to the public and media organisations to attend, there will inevitably be some business to be considered that contains, for example, confidential, commercially sensitive or personal information.

This is formal notice under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 that part of the Cabinet meetings listed in this Notice will/may be held in private because the agenda and reports for the meeting will contain exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

This document provides a summary of the reason why a matter is likely to be considered in private / Part II. The full reasons are listed alongside the report on the Council's website.

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For each decision, the plan will give:

- The subject of the report.
- Who will make the decision.
- The date on which or the period in which the decision will be made.
- Contact details of the officer preparing the report.
- A list of those documents considered in the preparation of the report (if not published elsewhere).
- The likelihood the report would contain confidential or exempt information.

What is a Key Decision?

An executive decision which is likely either:

- To result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- To be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards within the borough.

Who will make the Decision?

Decisions set out in this Notice will be taken by the Cabinet, unless otherwise specified. All decisions (unless otherwise stated) included in this Notice will be taken on the basis of a written report and will be published on the Council's website before the meeting.

The members of the Cabinet are as follows:

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| • Leader of the Council – Financial Governance, Economic Development & Council Plans | Councillor Swindlehurst |
| • Deputy Leader – Leisure, Culture & Communities | Councillor Akram |
| • Sustainable Transport & The Environment | Councillor Anderson |
| • Regulation & Public Protection | Councillor Bains |
| • Customer Services & Corporate Support | Councillor Carter |
| • Children's Services, Lifelong Learning & Skills | Councillor Hulme |
| • Housing, Highways, Planning & Place | Councillor Mann |
| • Social Care & Public Health | Councillor Pantelic |

Where can you find a copy of the Notification of Decisions?

The Plan will be updated and republished monthly. A copy can be obtained from Democratic Services at Observatory House, 25 Windsor Road on weekdays between 9.00 a.m. and 4.45 p.m., from MyCouncil, Landmark Place, High Street, or Tel: (01753) 875120, email: nicholas.pontone@slough.gov.uk. Copies will be available in the Borough's libraries and a copy will be published on Slough Borough Council's Website.

How can you have your say on Cabinet reports?

Each Report has a contact officer. If you want to comment or make representations, notify the contact officer before the deadline given.

What about the Papers considered when the decision is made?

Reports relied on to make key decisions will be available before the meeting on the Council's website or are available from Democratic Services.

Can you attend the meeting at which the decision will be taken?

Where decisions are made by the Cabinet, the majority of these will be made in open meetings. Some decisions have to be taken in private, where they are exempt or confidential as detailed in the Local Government Act 1972. You will be able to attend the discussions on all other decisions.

When will the decision come into force?

Implementation of decisions will be delayed for 5 working days after Members are notified of the decisions to allow Members to refer the decisions to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, unless the decision is urgent, in which case it may be implemented immediately.

What about key decisions taken by officers?

Many of the Council's decisions are taken by officers under delegated authority. Key decisions will be listed with those to be taken by the Cabinet. Key and Significant Decisions taken under delegated authority are reported monthly and published on the Council's website.

Are there exceptions to the above arrangements?

There will be occasions when it will not be possible to include a decision/report in this Notice. If a key decision is not in this Notice but cannot be delayed until the next Notice is published, it can still be taken if:

- The Head of Democratic Services has informed the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or relevant Scrutiny Panel in writing, of the proposed decision/action. (In the absence of the above, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will be consulted);
- Copies of the Notice have been made available to the Public; and at least 5 working days have passed since public notice was given.
- If the decision is too urgent to comply with the above requirement, the agreement of the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been obtained that the decision cannot be reasonably deferred.
- If the decision needs to be taken in the private part of a meeting (Part II) and Notice of this has not been published, the Head of Democratic Services will seek permission from the Chair of Overview & Scrutiny, and publish a Notice setting out how representations can be made in relation to the intention to consider the matter in Part II of the agenda. Urgent Notices are published on the Council's [website](#).

For further information, contact Democratic Services on 01753 875120.

Cabinet - 17th January 2022

Item	Port-folio	Ward	Priority	Contact Officer	Other Committee	Background Documents	New Item	Likely to be Part II
<p><u>Recovery & Renewal Plan Update</u></p> <p>To provide Cabinet with a further update on work being undertaken to improve all aspect of the Councils financial position and underlying financial and governance processes.</p>	F&E	All	All	Steven Mair, Section 151 Officer	-	None	√	
<p><u>Council Taxbases 2022/23</u></p> <p>To present information on the properties in Slough and their categories of occupation for the purpose of determining the council taxbase for the borough for the 2022/23 financial year.</p>	F&E	All	All	Steven Mair, Section 151 Officer	-	None		
<p><u>HRA Rents & Service Charges 2022/23</u></p> <p>To consider the Housing Revenue Account rent and service charge for 2022/23 and, if agreed, recommend the changes to full Council.</p>	H&P	All	Housing	Richard West, Executive Director of Customer & Community	-	None		
<p><u>A4 Bus and Cycle Lane</u></p> <p>To take decisions in relation to the A4 Bus and Cycle Lane following the period of monitoring and assessment during the period of the Experimental Traffic Order.</p>	T&E	All	All	Savio DeCruz, Associate Director, Place Operations Tel: 01753 875640	Place Scrutiny Panel, 1/12/21	None		

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<u>Provider Services Update</u> To provide an update regarding the progress of closing the remaining Adult Social Care Provider Services: Lavender Court, Respond, Priors Day Centre, Phoenix Day Centre, The Pines Day Centre.	S&P	All	All	Marc Gadsby, AD Adult Social Care Operations	-	None	√	
<u>Contract Renewals for ICT</u> To consider a report recommending contract extensions for ICT services, likely to include the income management system.	C&C	All	All	Mark Davies, Group Manager, IT Tel: 07599 102848	-	None		
<u>Corporate Energy Procurement Strategy and Contracts (April 2022 - March 2025)</u> To seek approval of the corporate energy procurement strategy and the development of a risk management energy action plan.	F&E	All	All	Jason Newman, Group Manager Asset Management Tel: 01753 875219	-	None	√	
<u>Procurement of substance misuse treatment and recovery services</u> To consider a report on a contract(s) for substance misuse and recovery services.	S&P	All	All	Alan Sinclair, Executive Director of People (Adults) Tel: (01753) 875752	-	None		Yes, p3 LGA
<u>Procurement of services for integrated care and support of extra care housing</u> To consider a report on a contract(s) for integrated care and support of extra care housing.	S&P	All	All	Alan Sinclair, Executive Director of People (Adults) Tel: (01753) 875752	-			Yes, p3 LGA

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<u>Procurement of health visiting school nursing (0-19 Service)</u> To seek approval for the procurement of the health visiting school nursing contract.	S&P	All	All	Alan Sinclair, Executive Director of People (Adults) Tel: (01753) 875752	-	None	√	
<u>References from Overview & Scrutiny</u> To receive any references from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and/or scrutiny panels.	C&C	All	All	Nicholas Pontone, Democratic Services Lead Tel: 01753 875120	-	None		
<u>Notification of Key Decisions</u> To endorse the published Notification of Decisions.	F&E	All	All	Nicholas Pontone, Democratic Services Lead Tel: 01753 875120	-	None		

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<u>Asset Disposals Update</u> To receive an update and take decisions in relation to the Council's programme of asset disposals.	F&E	All	All	Richard West, Executive Director of Customer & Community	-	None		Yes, p3 LGA

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<u>Revenue & Capital Budget Monitor - Quarter 3 2021/22</u> To receive an update on the latest revenue and capital position and to consider any write off requests, virements and any other financial decisions requiring Cabinet approval.	F&E	All	All	Steven Mair, Section 151 Officer	-	None		
<u>Revenue Budget 2022/23</u> To recommend the revenue budget to full Council.	F&E	All	All	Steven Mair, Section 151 Officer	O&S	None		
<u>Capital Strategy</u> To recommend the Capital Strategy to full Council.	F&E	All	All	Steven Mair, Section 151 Officer	O&S	None		
<u>Treasury Management Strategy</u> To recommend the Treasury Management Strategy to full Council.	F&E	All	All	Steven Mair, Section 151 Officer	O&S	None		
<u>Slough Children First 3-Year Business Plan</u> To consider a report on Slough Children's First strategic intentions for the next three years as outlined in its new three year business plan.	CS	All	All	Alan Adams, Interim Executive Director, People (Childrens)	-	None	√	

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<u>Notification of Key Decisions</u> To endorse the published Notification of Decisions.	F&E	All	All	Nicholas Pontone, Democratic Services Lead Tel: 01753 875120	-	None		

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MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE RECORD 2021/22
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

COUNCILLOR	10/06/21 Cancelled*	13/07/21 Cancelled	16/09/21	04/11/21	13/01/21	17/02/22	17/03/22	07/04/22
Gahir (Chair)			P	P				
Matloob (Vice-Chair			P	P				
Bal **			P					
Basra			P	Ap				
Dhaliwal			P	Ap				
Hussain			Ap	Ap				
Kaur			P	P				
Malik			P	P				
Sharif **				P				
Smith			P	P				

P = Present for whole meeting P* = Present for part of meeting Ap = Apologies given Ab = Absent, no apologies given

* The Committee meeting scheduled on 10th June 2021 was technically cancelled as the only formal item of business is appointments to the scrutiny panels and these had been made at Annual Council to reduce the need for a formal in person meeting during Covid-19 restrictions. This meeting is usually combined with O&S training which took place online on 17th June 2021

** Councillor Sharif replaced Councillor Bal on the Committee from 23rd September 2021

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