

## Democratic Services

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## SUMMONS TO ATTEND

**MEETING:** ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
**PLACE:** TO BE HELD VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING BECAUSE OF SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS AND GUIDANCE (see [note](#))  
**DATE:** THURSDAY 1 OCTOBER 2020  
**TIME:** 2 PM

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### Members of the Committee:

Councillors: Alaa Al-Yousuf (Chairman), Martin McBride (Vice-Chairman), Richard Bishop, Jill Bull, Mike Cahill, Andrew Coles, Owen Collins, Harry Eaglestone, Ted Fenton, Gill Hill, Liz Leffman, Kieran Mullins, Elizabeth Poskitt and Alex Postan.

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## A G E N D A

- 1. Minutes of the meeting held on 6 February 2020 (previously circulated)**
- 2. Apologies for Absence and Temporary Appointments**
- 3. Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of interest from Councillors relating to items to be considered at the meeting, in accordance with the provisions of the Council's Local Code of Conduct, and any from Officers.

- 4. Participation of the Public**

#### Purpose:

To receive any submissions from members of the public, in accordance with the Council's Rules of Procedure.

- 5. Petition – Sewage and Sewage Discharges**

#### Purpose:

To report the receipt of a petition and seek resolutions as to any desired actions.

#### Recommendations:

- (a) That the contents of the petition be noted; and

- (b) That the Cabinet Member for the Environment be requested to (i) support the lobbying of Thames Water to confirm its plans to combat the widespread problems reported; and (ii) copy Robert Courts MP into this report and advise him that the Council considers legislative changes are required in order to enable an effective solution.

**6. Committee Work Programme 2020/2021 (Report from Democratic Services – copy attached)**

Purpose:

To provide the Committee with an updated Work Programme for 2020/2021 and request adopting a revised format.

Recommendation:

That the Committee notes the work programme, provides comment where needed and adopts the new style format.

**7. Community Recycling – Bring Sites in West Oxfordshire**

Purpose:

To update Members on the issues being experienced at the community recycling (bring sites) in West Oxfordshire and to seek approval for their permanent removal.

Recommendation:

- (a) That the risks and financial, and performance related implications of removing the community recycling (bring site) facilities be noted, as set out in this report; and
- (b) That the Committee submits any comments to Cabinet on the request for approval to be given for the permanent removal of the community recycling (bring site) facilities, in a structured and managed way, with effective communication in order to mitigate the issues being experienced with high levels of contamination, fly tipping and misuse.

**8. Notice of Motion – Firework Displays**

Purpose:

To consider the Motion proposed by Councillor Toby Morris and seconded by Councillor Suzi Coul at the Council meeting held 26 February 2020 (copy attached)

Recommendation:

That the Committee considers the motion and agrees comments / recommendations to be submitted to Council.

**9. Notice of Motion – Environmental Awards for Businesses**

Purpose:

To consider the Motion proposed by Councillor Duncan Enright and seconded by Councillor Rosa Bolger at the Council meeting held 26 February 2020 (copy attached)

Recommendation:

That the Committee considers the motion and agrees comments / recommendations to be submitted to Council.

**10. Cabinet Work Programme (Report from Democratic Services – copy attached)**

Purpose:

To give the Committee the opportunity to comment on the Cabinet Work Programme published on 22 September 2020.

Recommendation:

That the Committee decides whether to express a view to the Cabinet on relevant issues in its Work Programme.

**11. Start Time of Meetings (Report from Democratic Services – copy attached)**

Purpose:

To consider the start time for meetings of the Committee for the remainder of the 2020/2021 municipal year.

Recommendation:

That the Committee agrees the start time of its meetings for the remainder of the 2020/2021 municipal year.

**12. Members' Questions**

Purpose:

To receive questions from Members relating to the work of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee. In order to ensure that appropriate information is to hand at the meeting, Members may wish to give notice of any questions through the Committee Officer.

Recommendation:

That Members' questions be dealt with as appropriate.



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