

Cabinet decisions

5 March 2020

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N.B. Please note that:

- The Local Plan item contains recommendations to Council on 5 March 2020, and as such these are not subject to scrutiny call-in
- some of the decisions below are marked as key decisions, which are subject to the scrutiny call-in procedure. Any request for call-in must be submitted to democratic.services@southoxfordshire.gov.uk by 5pm on Thursday 12 March 2020

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Cabinet recommendations to Council, not subject to the scrutiny call-in procedure:

Local Plan 2034

RECOMMENDED to Council to:

- (a) note the terms of the direction to the council from the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government;
- (b) acknowledge the decision of the Secretary of State to allow South Oxfordshire District Council to progress the submitted Local Plan 2034;
- (c) request the head of planning to prepare a timetable and ensure that adequate staff resources are in place in order to meet the requirements of the direction;
- (d) continue to acknowledge the critical importance of long-overdue infrastructure to support housing already delivered and to be delivered through the Local Plan and request the Secretary of State to confirm his commitment to the funding provided through the Oxfordshire Growth Deal and the Didcot Garden Town Housing Infrastructure Fund;
- (e) ask the chief executive to ensure that sufficient budget provision and staff resource is made available to fully explore all opportunities to address through the local planning process and any other means the council's concerns including but not limited to:
 - (i) addressing the council's declared climate emergency;
 - (ii) enhancing planning policies for environmental standards, including improved site master-planning to achieve high quality sustainable settlements; and
 - (iii) early delivery of appropriate regeneration and housing delivery activity to meet local needs.

Cabinet key decisions, subject to the scrutiny call-in procedure:

Capital grants awards 2019/20

RESOLVED to:

- (a) award a total of £319,317 in capital grants to the 11 organisations listed in appendix one of the head of corporate services' report and apply any specified non-standard conditions; **[N.B. Only the grant awards of £25,000 and over are key decisions]** and
- (b) transfer £319,317 from the provisional 2019/20 capital grant budget to the approved 2019/20 capital grant budget (cost centre A319) to fund these awards.

SO Charitable lottery fund

RESOLVED to:

- (a) agree to use the funds the council receives from its community lottery scheme, SO Charitable, to establish a new award scheme, which will be open to all voluntary and community organisations in South Oxfordshire; and
- (b) agree that the costs for holding an annual Voluntary and Community Sector Conference should be met from the general income received.

Cabinet non-key decisions, not subject to the scrutiny call-in procedure:

Budget monitoring April to November 2019

RESOLVED to note the head of finance's report.