



**COTSWOLD**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Friday, 24 September 2021

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## **CABINET**

A meeting of the Cabinet will be held in the Council Chamber at the Council Offices, Trinity Road, Cirencester on **Monday, 4 October 2021 at 6.00 pm.**

Rob Weaver  
Chief Executive

To: Members of the Cabinet  
(Councillors Rachel Coxcoon, Tony Dale, Andrew Doherty, Mike Evemy, Jenny Forde,  
Joe Harris, Juliet Layton and Lisa Spivey)

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# AGENDA

1. **Apologies**
2. **Declarations of Interest**  
To receive any declarations of interest from Members and Officers, relating to items to be considered at the meeting.
3. **Minutes (Pages 5 - 8)**  
To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 6 September 2021.
4. **Chair's Announcements (if any)**
5. **Public Questions**  
To deal with questions from the public within the open forum question and answer session of fifteen minutes in total. Questions from each member of the public should be no longer than two minutes each and relate issues under the Committee's remit.
6. **Member Questions**  
To deal with written questions by Members, relating to issues under the Committee's remit, with the maximum length of oral supplementary questions at Committee being no longer than one minute. Responses to any supplementary questions will be dealt with in writing if they cannot be dealt with at the meeting.
7. **Medium Term Financial Strategy and Budget Proposals 2022-23 (Pages 9 - 52)**  
Purpose  
The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy has been updated along with the associated budget proposals for 2022/23. Cabinet is asked to consider the draft proposals which will form the basis of public consultation.  
  
Recommendations  
It is recommended that Cabinet
  - (a) Approves the draft 2022/23 budget for consultation.
  - (b) Approves the transfer of the balances on the earmarked reserves at Annex B to the Council Priorities Fund.
8. **Issue(s) Arising From Overview and Scrutiny and/or Audit**  
The Audit Committee considered the Internal Auditor's Internal Audit Opinion report on 22 July 2021.  
  
The Executive Summary from the internal audit review of the Council's response to Covid-19 included an observation that a decision taken as a "matter of urgency" under the Council's Constitution in August 2020 was not reported to "first available meeting of Council, Cabinet or relevant Committee, as appropriate."  
  
The Audit Committee determined that the decision should be reported to the next meeting of the Cabinet.

The decision taken was to remove the cash kiosk from the reception at the Trinity Road offices. The matter was urgent due to the timing constraints involved as notice needed to be provided to the supplier of the kiosk.

Cabinet are requested to note the urgent decision taken in August 2020.

9. **Property Acquisition - Cirencester (Pages 53 - 66)**

Purpose

To provide an update on negotiations to acquire a site in Cirencester as a strategic site for investment and redevelopment.

Recommendation

That Members note the high level option appraisals prepared and agree that Officers proceed in line with the previous decisions and delegations to negotiate terms and acquire the site.

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