

**Response from the meeting of the Cabinet on the
O&S Committee's Comments – 23 September 2021**

Item Number: 4 – Service Integration and Joint Accommodation Work between
Warwick District Council and Stratford-on-Avon District Council

Requested by: Chair, O&S

Reasons Considered: Because of the strategic nature of the changes, its importance and impact on residents.

Scrutiny Comment:

The Committee considered that a summary of risks through a risk register was required and therefore recommended to Cabinet that regular risk reporting should be provided to Councillors.

The Committee also requested that regular service level performance data should be available to Councillors on the Service Area Dashboard, providing comparison between current service area performance levels against the merged service areas.

Cabinet Response:

The Chief Executive agreed with the need for a summary of risks. He also stated that a performance baseline report could be provided but that SDC did not record the data in the same way and therefore it would be difficult to draw direct comparisons.

The Cabinet agreed to the recommendation made by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and approved the recommendations as set out in the report with the inclusion of the recommendation made by O&S.

Item Number: 13 – Low Carbon Enabling Development

(Confidential report, but the content below does not contain any confidential information)

Requested by: Labour Group

Reasons Considered: The scale and impact of the proposals on the District, its contribution to the ambitions and achievement of the District's response to climate change, its feasibility in these terms and to take an initial view of the proposed land and financial arrangements.

Scrutiny Comment:

The Committee recommended to Cabinet that a business case and plan for hydrogen hubs should be referred to the Climate Emergency PAB for consideration.

In noting the complexity of the scheme and the difficulties faced, the Committee requested that a briefing be provided to all Councillors on the development proposals. The Committee also wished to know how this would contribute to the Council's Climate Emergency target to be net zero carbon.

Cabinet Response:

The Cabinet agreed to the recommendation made by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and approved the recommendations as set out in the report with the inclusion of the recommendation made by O&S.