

**Summary of Comments made on the Cabinet Agenda for
Thursday 29 September 2022**

4 Quarter 1 Budget Report

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee noted the report and thanked officers for their time in producing it. The Committee noted the positive impact the new financial system is having already and would like to thank officers and Members for the collaborative work on that.

Members highlighted their concerns on the impact of the energy crisis on Council finances and look forward to receiving an action plan on that in the near future.

Members have also asked that where emergency powers are used, full details should be made available in the Cabinet report to enable scrutiny to take place efficiently.

5 Final Accounts 2021/22

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee noted the report and congratulated officers on their efforts.

6 Relocation of Kenilworth Wardens

Members were concerned about the level of financial risk inherent in the project.

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommend that the Cabinet should fully understand all different scenarios including project overspend, and that the Resources PAB should review the business case prior to disbursement.

The Cabinet is required to vote on this because it forms a recommendation to it.

9 Notices of Motion from July Council

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee supported the report. In respect of Motion 1, the Committee asks that the legal advice provided by the Council's solicitors should be circulated to Cabinet ahead of its meeting. The Committee asks Cabinet to consider this advice before making its decision on the item.

With regards to Motion 2, the Committee received reassurance from the Head of Development Services that Policy H6 Guidance will be updated in due course, and that an updated Local Development Scheme will be brought to Cabinet in December.

12 Hydrogen Strategy

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee welcomed the report and recognized the complexity of the topic. The Committee welcomed the reassurance from the

Portfolio Holder for Climate Change that this was an evolving situation and that a revised Hydrogen Strategy document will be brought forward in early 2023, alongside the business case.

13 Covent Garden Car Park

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee welcomed the report and thanked officers for their efforts in bringing it forward.

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommend to Cabinet that the feasibility study should look at the potential for generating electricity for future, in line with the Council's ambitions.

The Cabinet is required to vote on this because it forms a recommendation to it.