

Title	County Councillor's Report
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Plans to move OCC HQ

Oxfordshire County Council are proposing they move their headquarters from County Hall on New Road to a refurbished Speedwell House campus on Speedwell Street in Oxford. Speedwell House campus is already owned by Oxfordshire County Council and currently unused and will be refurbished to a standard that is completely carbon neutral.

Plans for the current County Hall, near the Westgate in the centre of Oxford are still unknown.

Town and Parish Council Charter:

OCC is looking at developing a 'Town and Parish Council Charter'. Recognising the importance of town and parish councils (incl. parish meetings) in local government, the charter would aim to strengthen how OCC works town and parish councils. The charter will be co-created through a process of engagement, kicking off in July.

Unpaid carers strategy:

OCC has developed a new [unpaid carers strategy](#), the final version of which is being consulted on via [Let's Talk](#). The strategy aims to better identify where carers are, increase awareness of the support available to unpaid carers and increase the level of support.

Supply chain emissions policy:

OCC has developed a new policy on reducing carbon emissions as a result of procurement activity. A decision on the policy is due at Cabinet on 20 June.

New chair of council and cabinet member:

Cllr Felix Bloomfield (Conservative, Benson and Crowmarsh) has been elected chair of the council, while Cllr Michael O'Connor (Labour, University Parks) takes over the cabinet portfolio for public health and inequalities.

Oxfordshire big green week:

Get involved with Green week, June 10-18

Councillor Priority Fund

Applications to the Councillor Priority Fund are still open. This is a fund of £15,000 to be used over two years on projects in Thame, Chinnor, Tetsworth and surrounding villages

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/community-and-living/thriving-communities/councillor-priority-fund>

Car Parking (Both)

Meeting in June with officers and Thame Town Council

Thame to Haddenham Greenway (Kate)

An options appraisal is in the plan as a joint project between Oxfordshire County Council and Bucks County Council

Nelson Street (Both)

A solution has gone to Thame Town Council to be agreed