

Actions from the Council meeting on 16 July 2025

Council Agenda item	Action/Issue	Responsible Member/Officer	Update	Completed ✓ In progress ●
Motion 2: Investing in Coldhurst:	Request that officers prepare a report for Place Scrutiny Committee at the earliest opportunity, which will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Assess the current physical condition, legal arrangements, and ownership or lease status of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ West End Street pitch (Coldhurst) 	Nasir Dad	Report scheduled to Place, Economic Growth and Environment Scrutiny Board	●
Motion 3: A revision of the 'Don't Trash Oldham' Policy with regards to Gully Clearing	This Motion asks for a revision of the 'Don't Trash Oldham' Policy with regards to Gully Clearing Gully cleaning and Don't Trash Oldham Policy. Councillor Goodwin to provide information to Councillors Byrne and Hamblett	Nasir Dad	Information provided to Councillor Byrne two active vehicles - one is our permanent vehicle, one is leased. It is our intention to maintain a minimum of two vehicles at any time given the demand for gully cleaning across the borough: these services, both the planned maintenance (rolling programme to clean/clear every gully (48,000) across the borough; and, reactive maintenance when there are localised issues which need immediate attention (for example - when gullies get blocked during periods of heavy rain causing	●

		<p>localised flooding or highway safety issues).</p> <p>To date, 18,000 gulleys have been treated – a number of those treated need to be revisited due to more substantial works being needed (significant blockage / collapse or blocked by parked car on the day we did the work in the area). This will take place once the current wards have been completed and 1 wagon will begin to address blockages/repairs and those that were inaccessible. HM has asked for timescales for this.</p> <p>Nasir Dad has offered to visit site regarding the culvert matter, as this is the responsibility of the land owner where the culvert is located, and may potentially have multiple owners.</p> <p>Councillor Goodwin in September Council, in response to a question from a member committed to bringing this back to a future council meeting.</p>	
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Actions from the Council meeting on 17 September 2025

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<p>Motion 1: Recognising Palestine and the famine in Gaza</p>	<p>This Council resolves to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome and support the UK Government's commitment to recognise the State of Palestine as part of a renewed peace process. Given that the Israeli Government hasn't complied with the steps outlined by the UK Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary in July this Council reaffirms that now is the time for recognition of Palestinian statehood. 2. Endorse the joint statement of 21st July 2025 and the UK's position at the UN Security Council as expressions of moral leadership and international solidarity. 3. Urge the UK Government to accelerate and expand humanitarian assistance to Gaza, including through further diplomatic pressure for a ceasefire and unrestricted aid access. 4. Call on the international community to intensify efforts to end the famine and support long-term recovery and governance in Gaza 5. Write to the Prime Minister, Foreign Secretary, and local MPs expressing this Council's support for recognition of a Palestinian state and humanitarian action. 	<p>5. Chief Executive</p>	<p>Letters sent, awaiting replies</p>	<p>●</p>



<p>Motion 2: Setting out our ambition to become a 'Defibrillator Friendly' Borough</p>	<p>1. This Council resolves to work in collaboration with Defibrillators Save Lives to:</p> <p>a. Map and monitor all public-access defibrillators across the borough. b. Ensure offline devices are repaired, restored or replaced and brought back into service. c. Establish a routine checking and reporting system using The Circuit, d. Provide education and awareness so that residents not only know where defibrillators are but also how to use them with confidence, similar to the hugely success Defib Day they ran in The Spindles 9th August. 2.</p> <p>This Council further resolves, to firmly state our ambition for Oldham to become the first 'Defibrillator Friendly' Borough in the England.</p>	<p>Mike Barker</p>	<p>The Deputy Chief Executive (Health and Care) has requested to meet with Defibrillators Saves Lives to progress the actions of the Council</p>	<p>●</p>
<p>Motion 1: Provision of Free School Travel for all Children in Temporary Accommodation</p>	<p>This Council resolves:</p> <p>1. To request the Cabinet to bring forward, within 12 weeks, a report setting out options to improve access to school for children in TA, including (but not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The feasibility of extending free school travel (bus pass and/or taxi) to children in TA irrespective of mileage thresholds; o Eligibility definitions based on verified TA status (including placements within and across GM); o Delivery models (bus passes, pre-approved taxi contracts, or hybrid), with clear safeguarding standards; 	<p>Neil Consterdine</p>	<p>Work is ongoing between staff from housing and education services to develop a strategy that reflects the motion that the Council approved. In the meantime, support is available to families that are identified as being in need.</p>	<p>●</p>

	<p>o Legal, financial and equality implications (including Section 149 Equality Act assessment); o Funding options (e.g. Homelessness Prevention funding, partnership with TfGM and operators, and targeted charitable/hardship support); o An implementation timetable (including scope for a time-limited pilot).</p> <p>2. That no decision to implement any new concession is taken until Cabinet (or Council where required) has considered the report and identified funding in line with the Financial Procedure Rules and the agreed budget/MTFP (or approved virement/other lawful funding mechanism).</p>			
<p>Motion 2: Oldham Borough deserves a state-of-the-art police station which must include a custody suite</p>	<p>Therefore, the Council resolves:</p> <p>1. That Council formally notes its position that a new Police Station in Oldham should include appropriate custody provision. 2. That Council sets a target to agree a location for a new police station in Oldham within the next six months. If a location is not agreed within that timescale, that a report be submitted to the appropriate Scrutiny Board of the Council, detailing: a. The requirements for any location for a new police station. b. Any sites which have been discussed and the reasons why they have not been deemed suitable.</p>	<p>Neil Consterdine</p>	<p>Officers working with GMP to action recommendations detailed in the Motion</p>	<p>●</p>

	c. How the Council proposes to identify and bring forward future sites that meet the requirements for a police station in Oldham.			

Actions from the Council meeting on 12 November 2025

Council Agenda item	Action/Issue	Responsible Member/Officer	Update	Completed ✓ In progress ●
Notice of Administration Business – Motion 1: Improving Parking Provisions at ROH	1. Request that Oldham Council works collaboratively with the Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust (NCA) and relevant partners to explore options for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Developing a multi-storey or expanded car park at or near Royal Oldham Hospital; b. Introducing fair and affordable parking arrangements for patients attending A&E, those with regular appointments, and NHS staff; c. Creating dedicated parking directly opposite the A&E department for patients attending A&E only; d. Improving access and facilities for wheelchair users and those with mobility needs. 	Mike Barker	The Deputy Chief Executive (Health and Care) has met with Defibrillators Saves Lives to progress the actions of the Council	✓
	2. Write to the Chief Executive of the NCA and the Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board (ICB) expressing this Council's support for urgent improvements to parking provision at Royal Oldham Hospital.	Chief Executive	Letters sent	●
	3. Request that Oldham's Members of Parliament lobby the national government and publicly support a campaign for better parking provision for Oldham residents attending Royal Oldham Hospital.	Chief Executive	Letters sent to Oldham's MP's	●

<p>Notice of Administration Business – Motion 2: Strengthening Standards and Transparency for Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs)</p>	<p>1. To review and strengthen local HMO Standards by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Undertake a comprehensive review of current HMO licensing and amenity standards within the borough. b. Introduce enhanced minimum requirements for space, fire safety, sanitation, and kitchen facilities, drawing on best practices from other councils. c. Ensure that all licensed HMOs are subject to regular inspections and compliance checks. <p>2. To Improve Transparency and Accessibility for Complaints by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Developing a clear, accessible online portal for residents to report concerns or complaints about HMOs. b. Publishing quarterly data on HMO complaints, enforcement actions, and outcomes to improve public accountability. <p>3. To Enhance Resident Engagement and Support, by launching a public awareness campaign informing residents of their rights and how to report unsafe or poorly managed HMOs.</p>	<p>Nasir Dad</p>	<p>Officers to review and to implement revised standards in accordance with the approved Motion</p>	
<p>Notice of Opposition Business: Motion 1: Tackling the Anti-Social Use of Off-Road Motorbikes, E-Bikes and E-Scooters</p>	<p>1. Write to the Chief Constable of Greater Manchester Police Sir Stephen Watson QPM thanking him, the Officers and staff of GMP and the National Police Air Service (NPAS) for their continued hard work and dedication in tackling the anti-social use of these vehicles and ask him to ensure that this remains a priority for Greater Manchester Police.</p> <p>2. To write to the Home Office and ask for further dedicated funding for GMP to use in</p>	<p>1. & 2. Chief Executive</p> <p>3.& 4. Mike Barker & Nasir Dad</p>	<p>Letters sent, awaiting replies</p>	

	<p>tackling the anti-social use of off-road motorbikes, electric bikes and electric scooters.</p> <p>3. To use Oldham Council's Media team and ask them to carry out a campaign educating the public into the legalities of these vehicles and encouraging residents to help build up an intelligence-led picture so that GMP can carry out targeted operations by reporting instances and homes suspected of housing anti-social users which can be done anonymously.</p> <p>4. Ask housing providers such as First Choice Homes, Great Places, Guinness Partnership to work with Oldham Council's media team and develop and plan of education and intelligence to support GMP in operations to tackle the anti-social use of off-road motorbike, e-scooters, and e-bikes.</p>		<p>Officers liaising with Oldham's housing providers to increase awareness of the dangers associated with the anti-social use of off-road motorbike, e-scooters, and e-bikes.</p>	

Actions from the Council meeting on 10th December 2025

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Youth Council Motion – Young Men's Mental Health	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>1. That Oldham Council acknowledges and recognises the scale of the challenge to prioritise men's mental health within local strategies, and to work with partners to reduce stigma, improve</p>	Chief Executive	Letters sent – awaiting reply	●

	<p>access to support, and ultimately, save lives.</p> <p>2. That the Chief Executive, on behalf of Oldham Council be requested to write to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, the Rt. Hon. Wes Streeting MP, to advocate for urgent and targeted investment in young men's mental health services.</p>			
<p>Motion 1 – Administration Business: Strengthening Standards and Restoring Faith in Local Democracy</p>	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Council welcome the Government's proposals to strengthen the standards regime and restore confidence in local democracy. 2. That the Council commits to adopting the mandatory minimum code of conduct once implemented in legislation. 3. Ensure that the Council's Standards Committee be fully prepared to meet the new requirements, including publishing investigation outcomes transparently and regularly reporting these outcomes to Council. 4. Request that the Chief Executive write to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government expressing our support for these reforms and urging timely implementation. 5. Request that the Chief Executive write to the Local Government Association, urging them to consider the development of a training programme aligned with the new standards regime. 	<p>Director of Legal</p> <p>Director of Legal</p> <p>Chief Executive</p> <p>Chief Executive</p>	<p>Letters sent – awaiting reply</p>	<p>●</p>

	<p>6. Request that the Council's Standards Committee work with the relevant Officers locally to review Oldham's elected member behaviour standards training programme and ensure it is fit for purpose, with a view to making it a mandatory training unit.</p>	Director of Legal		
<p>Motion 2 – Administration Business: Fairer parking at Manchester Airport</p>	<p>RESOLVED</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Council formally supports Jim McMahon MP's campaign for fairer and more transparent parking charges at Manchester Airport. 2. That the Council requests that the Chief Executive write to Manchester Airport Group urging: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A review of the current charging structure with a view to reducing costs. ○ Improved signage and introduction of a "tap-out" payment option at exit points. ○ Publication of data on income from drop-off and pick-up charges. ○ A fair and accessible appeals process that does not increase penalties for unsuccessful appeals. ○ That the Council requests that the Chief Executive write to the Mayor of Greater Manchester and Leaders of the other 9 GM Local 	Chief Executive	Letters and emails sent awaiting replies	●

	Authorities to share this motion seek wider regional support.			
Opposition Motion 2 – Fair Funding in Local Government	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>1) That the Chief Executive be requested to write to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to welcome action taken by the Government to urgently reform local government funding including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The introduction of a Fair Funding Formula that recognises deprivation, need and areas with low council tax bases. b. A commitment to rebuilding a sustainable funding foundation for local government after years of cuts. c. The move towards multi-year settlements, giving councils the certainty and stability required for long-term planning. d. A review of local government fiscal arrangements, ensuring fairness and long-term stability. <p>2) That the Chief Executive be requested to write to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and to the three local MPs, who represent the Borough in Parliament, outlining this council’s support for a fair funding system for local government and thanking them for their work in resolving this, especially the work of the MP for Oldham West, Chadderton and Royton,</p>	Chief Executive	Letters and emails sent awaiting replies	●
		Chief Executive		

	<p>who spearheaded this approach as a shadow minister and as the Minister for Local Government.</p> <p>3) That the Council continue to work with the Local Government Association (LGA) and other partners to lobby collectively for fair and sustainable funding.</p>			
<p>Opposition Motion 3: Ensuring Statutory Scrutiny and Enforceability for Places for Everyone Masterplans</p>	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>1) That the Beal Valley-Broadbent Moss masterplan (and future PfE masterplans) shall be pursued and adopted as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), requiring: Council-led public consultation (min. 4 weeks, Regulation 12). Sustainability appraisal. Formal adoption by Cabinet, with Overview and Scrutiny Committee review.</p> <p>2) That the Council's Monitoring Officer shall: Confirm the masterplan's progression to SPD status within 3 months. Advise on any procedural adjustments. Ensure no non-statutory "agreement" precedes SPD adoption.</p> <p>3) That all PfE-related planning applications shall reference the adopted SPD as a material consideration, decided by the Planning Committee or delegated officers, with full transparency.</p> <p>4) That Officers be requested to report progress to the Cabinet meeting, scheduled to be held on 19th January</p>	<p>Executive Director of Place/Deputy Chief Executive</p>	<p>Reports presented to Scrutiny Board and Cabinet</p>	<p>✓</p>

	2026, including timelines for consultation and adoption.			
Outcome of consultation on the introduction of an Article 4 Direction for Houses of Multiple Occupation	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Council endorses the information provided in the submitted report. 2. That the Council notes that a report is to be taken to Cabinet, on 15 December 2025, recommending confirmation of the Article 4 Direction for Houses of Multiple Occupation. 	Executive Director of Place/Deputy Chief Executive	Council approved the report's recommendations	✓
Appointment of Independent Members to the Independent Remuneration Panel	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council authorises the reappointment of Mr. Geoffrey Millard to the Independent Remuneration Panel until May 2029. 2. That the Council approves the proposal to establish a pool of five independent members to serve on the Independent Remuneration Panel. 3. That the Assistant Director of Governance be authorised to proceed with the advertisement for two additional independent members to serve on the Independent Remuneration Panel. 	Constitutional Services	1 and 2 approved by Council. 3 has been advertised	✓
Treasury Management Half Year Review Report 2025/26	That the Council approves the Treasury Management Half Year Review report, the Treasury Management activity and the projected outturn for 2025/26.	Director of Finance	Council approved the recommendations in the report	✓