

Title	County Councillor's Report
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Councillor Priority Fund

The Councillor Priority Fund for 2025-27 is now open. Applicants will need to create an account to submit their grant application form.

Each county councillor has £10,000 to support local community projects in their divisions.

More details [here](#)

Devolution and Government Reorganisation

Oxfordshire County Council launched its consultation on the proposal to have a single unitary authority across Oxfordshire. It should be noted that while contributions from the public will help to shape the proposals to make them more effective, the final decision on which model will be implemented will be made by the Secretary of State.

Resurfacing Plans 2025/26

In last month's report that there were plans to upgrade the road surface on some key roads in Oxfordshire. Most notably this was done in Thame on the bypass and the Oxford road.

Updated details about the programme, including a map showing where and when the work will be taking place, is available on Oxfordshire County Council's [website](#).

Every roadside drainage gully to be cleaned this year

Work to clean and empty every highway drainage gully in Oxfordshire this year is now under way.

For Thame, the scheduled dates this year are 1st February – 31st March 2026

Upcoming meetings

There are a few public meetings scheduled over the next few weeks. Please [check the meetings calendar](#) for the full list.

*****Local Issues*****

Thame LCWIP

Thame LCWIP was consulted on last month

Thame to Haddenham Greenway

Budget has been allocated this year to progress the project and officers are working hard on this.

Nelson Street

Business case has been signed off and RFQs will be sent to progress with the work

*****GRANTS AND COST OF LIVING*****

Hardship fund: OCC's hardship fund (Resident Support Scheme) was launched in June.
Phone: 01865 804171

Home Upgrade Grants: OCC & its partner AgilityEco is reaching out directly to households who will qualify to benefit from Home Upgrade Grants (to improve energy efficiency for 'off-grid' homes)

Community Capacity Grants: The Community Capacity Fund will open for grant applications from 6th September. Grants of between £5.000 and £20.000 are funded by OCC and applications processed by Oxfordshire Community Foundation. Grants are given to projects that "support people to live well in their community, remaining fit and healthy for as long as possible"

The Councillor Priority Fund has reopened – please see above.