

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2011

## **Oxford City Council meetings now streamed live on the web**

For the first time Oxford City Council are live-streaming a Full Council meeting so that the public can view the decision making process for approving the budget as it happens.

Full Council meetings have been filmed since April 2010 and are archived and available to view on the City Council website. This gives people the opportunity to see how councillors make decisions about funding and development in the West End and other areas in Oxford.

The Council's meeting on Monday 21 February will be filmed live and people will be able to view it on our website live.

The meetings are also open to the public so that they can witness the debating and decision making process.

Councillor Bob Price, Leader of Oxford City Council, says: "Members of the public have always been welcome to attend council meetings but the development of new digital media allows us to open up that access to people who are unable to get into the centre of the city, or who prefer to watch from home.

"Since the early days of televising Parliament, the way in which decisions are taken within the country's democratic system has become increasingly open and accessible and we are pleased that we are now able to offer a live stream of the city council in session."

To watch the meeting on Oxford City Council's website visit [www.oxford.gov.uk/livecouncilmeeting](http://www.oxford.gov.uk/livecouncilmeeting) at 5pm on Monday 21 February.

The recorded meeting will also be posted on the City Council website for later viewing

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