

Report from Cllr. Andrew Maclean, 4.12.23

1. CDC are bringing a significant number of posts back in house. Virtually all posts had been outsourced to Publica, a not-for-profit company owned by Cotswold DC and three other councils. The administration claim there will be some savings from this action and some improvements in service but this is yet to be proven.
2. In line with many other districts, the projected financial situation of Cotswold DC continues to weaken with reduced grants from central government. The administration continues to look for savings which means some non-statutory projects and posts are being quietly dropped. One example of this is the post of the sustainable transport officer who resigned and has not been replaced.
3. There continue to be problems in the planning section especially in the enforcement section.