

AGENDA

1. **Apologies**

2. **Declarations of Members' Interests**

3. **Cultural Services – Business Plan**

... The attached report by the Head of Cultural Services is to present for members' approval the Cultural Services draft business plan.

RECOMMENDED: That the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure & Sport approves the Business Plan and the key objectives for the service.

4. **Literature Development Strategy (information item)**

... Requested by: Councillor Lee Hunt, Cabinet Member for Culture & Leisure

Purpose: This report seeks the endorsement of the Cabinet Member for Culture Leisure and Sport for the Literature Development Strategy which is attached to the report. The strategy makes recommendations that will provide a framework for literature in the city over the next four years.

A report by the Head of Cultural Services is attached.

5. **Portsmouth Libraries Annual Update Report**

... Purpose: To update and inform the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport on the work carried out by the Portsmouth Library services in the last twelve months, to update on the recommendations for action agreed in the 2011 report and to make recommendations for action in 2012/13.

RECOMMENDED:

(1) That the updates on the agreed actions from the Portsmouth Library Development Report 2011/12 be noted.

(2) That the following recommendations be carried forward from the 2011/2 report for ongoing action in 2012/13:

- a. **That the Book Fund be protected from disproportionate cuts through the management of library budgets within the existing cash limits.**
- b. **Delivery and development of the BookFest Book Festival in**

line with the actions agreed with the Arts Council Library Development bid.

c. Implement a Library Audio Downloads service.

(3) That it be noted that the following actions for 2012/13 will also be undertaken on the basis of the permissions indicated.

a. Relocation of Paulsgrove Library to the Allaway Avenue shopping area as agreed in the report to CL&S "Reloaction of Paulsgrove Library 23 March 2012.

b. Explore options to develop a new library facility in the Drayton area of the city, as agreed in the report to CL&S "Drayton Library" 23 March 2012.

c. Implement Friends Groups at Central, Paulsgrove and Beddow Libraries, as agreed in the report to CL&S "Friends of the Library Service" 10 February 2012.

d. The installation, promotion and development of a IT Learning Zone and Youth Space in the room to the left of the main entrance at Carnegie Library within existing Culture Services budgets. This was agreed in the report "Carnegie Library Development" 30 September 2011.

(4) That the following recommendations for action be added to the Library Development Report in respect of changing opportunities, pressures and service needs in the forthcoming year:

a. Explore options to relocate Cosham Library into the shopping precinct.

b. Delivery of a schools universal library membership offer providing all children in local school with a Portsmouth Library Ticket. This is the first such scheme in the UK.

c. The development of the Central Library Administration block as a public access area including the relocation of the IT Learning Zone.

d. Explore options and identify storage and workspace to enable the relocation of the remaining archive currently held at the City Museum site.

e. Deliver and promote an on-line magazine service.

f. Identify and deliver an e-books service.

g. Conduct a review of all library opening hours.

h. Deliver a library satisfaction survey in the autumn.

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6. Improving Community Centre Utilisation

... Purpose: To inform the Portfolio Holder for Culture, Leisure and Sport on the strategy for improving community centre utilisation at 3 centres deemed to be under utilised as assets – particularly when looking at the location and the revenue support from Culture - and to seek his approval for the strategy.

RECOMMENDED:

- (1) That work is undertaken with the three community associations: Buckland, Stamshaw & Tipner and Paulsgrove and to support them to better utilise their buildings with individualized targets and strategies for each particularly focussing on use by the local community.**
- (2) That the implementation of these strategies be supported under the Service Level Agreement (SLA) which could result in a reduction in grant support to individual associations not taking these strategies fully on board. Should this situation arise, then a further report would be brought to the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport.**

A report by the Head of Cultural Services is attached.

7. London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay update

... Purpose: The purpose of the report is to update members on plans for hosting the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay in Portsmouth and also to provide an update on other related activities to celebrate the London 2012 Games.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Culture Leisure and Sport notes the contents of the report and the estimated value added equivalent of the event to the city.

A report by the Head of Cultural Services is attached.

8. Update on Portsmouth Air Festival – 18 & 19 August 2012

... Purpose: To provide an update on the proposed Portsmouth Air Festival highlighting the progress made and raising concerns.

RECOMENDED:

- (1) That it be agreed to waive the hire fees for the use of Southsea Common as part of Portsmouth City Council's contribution towards the event.**
- (2) That it be agreed that the costs for staff time of Council officers working to support the event be absorbed by Portsmouth City Council at no cost to the event organisers**

(3) That it be agreed that the loss of parking income resulting from the unavailability of parking spaces be met from Portsmouth City Council budgets.

A report by the Head of Cultural Services is attached.

9. 2012/13 meeting dates

RECOMMENDED that Cabinet Member for Culture Leisure and Sport decision meetings take place at 1.00pm on the following dates in 2012/13:

**3 August 2012
12 October 2012
14 December 2012
8 February 2013
22 March 2013**