

Portsmouth City Council

A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL will be held at the Guildhall, Portsmouth on Tuesday 11 June 2013 at 2.00 pm and all Members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend to consider and resolve upon the following business:-

Agenda

1 Members' Interests

2 To approve as a correct record the Minutes of

- the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 20 May 2013 and
- the Adjourned Meeting of the Council held on 20 May 2013 (both to follow).

3 To receive such communications as the Lord Mayor may desire to lay before the Council, including apologies for absence.

4 The Council has received the following petitions –

(a) Children's Centres

"I demand that Portsmouth City Council stop the proposed closures of children's centres, cut to services and cuts to staff [in relation to children centres]".

The Council's rules state that as the petition contains more than 1,000 signatures it will be debated by the full council (if the lead petitioner so requests and she does) and that the council will endeavour to consider the petition at its next meeting (11 June). The petition joint organiser (Nikki Coles) will be given six minutes to present the petition at the meeting, followed by any deputations received on this item. The petition will then be discussed by councillors. The normal rules of debate will apply, with a proposer and seconder being required etc.

Note - As an Executive (Cabinet) matter, the Full Council is precluded from determining the issues raised in the Petition, although of course the petition can still be debated at the Full Council meeting.

(b) **Closure of Public Toilets**

"We the undersigned call on Portsmouth City Council to reverse its decision to close 13 public toilets, either by introducing a small charge or by cutting some other area of expenditure".

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(c) **Victoria Park Toilets**

"Do you agree we need public toilets back in the Park?"

We the undersigned recognise the good work The Lodge Arts Centre provides and find it unfair for them to provide and maintain the only public toilet in the park.

We call upon Portsmouth City Council to recognise this valuable community asset and to re-instate the public toilets adjacent to the Lodge Arts Centre & Park Café as soon as possible."

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5 a. Any Deputations from the Public under Standing Order No 24 (for items on the remainder of the agenda).

b. Questions from the Public under Standing Order 25.

6 Appointments

7 Urgent Business - To receive and consider any urgent and important business from Members of the Cabinet in accordance with Standing Order No 26.

8 Councillor Pensions Consultation

To consider the Chief Executive's attached report in response to the Department for Communities and Local Government consultation document on Councillor pensions (also attached).

9 Notices of Motion

**Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Hugh Mason**

Council thanks Councillor Lee Hunt and Officers for a successful tendering process which they have concluded in respect of the Pyramids.

10 Questions from Members under Standing Order No 17.

David Williams
Chief Executive

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