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# NOTICE OF MEETING

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## CABINET

**THURSDAY, 9 MARCH 2017 AT 1.00 PM**

**EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THE GUILDHALL, FLOOR 3**

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## Membership

Councillor Donna Jones (Chair)  
Councillor Luke Stubbs  
Councillor Ryan Brent  
Councillor Jim Fleming  
Councillor Lee Mason

Councillor Robert New  
Councillor Linda Symes  
Councillor Steve Wemyss  
Councillor Neill Young

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## A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies for Absence**
- 2 Declarations of Interests**
- 3 Record of Previous Decision Meeting - 9 February 2017 (Pages 5 - 16)**

A copy of the record of the previous decisions taken at Cabinet on 9 February 2017 is attached.

**RECOMMENDED that the record of decisions taken at the Cabinet meeting held on 9 February 2017 be agreed as a correct record to be signed by the Leader.**

**4 Animal involvement at events and circuses on City Council land (Pages 17 - 22)**

The purpose of the report by the Director of Culture and City Development is to provide background information on, and to seek an agreement in relation to, the appropriate inclusion of animals at events and circuses on Portsmouth City Council land or on any sites where a venue is operated on behalf of the City Council.

**RECOMMENDED:**

- (1) That the City Council adopts a clear and robust approach so we can effectively demonstrate our commitment to ensuring that animal welfare is a prime consideration while balancing the need to ensure a broad and varied events programme where animal involvement can appropriately be included, both for entertainment and education purposes.**
- (2) That the City Council does not permit any events that include captive, endangered or wild animals to take place on City Council land or on any sites where a venue is operated on behalf of the City Council.**
- (3) That the City Council does not permit any circuses that include any animals to take place on City Council land or on any sites where a venue is operated on behalf of the City Council with the exception of horses and dogs.**
- (4) That the City Council agrees to permit performances and displays of animals (both domestic and working animals) at events with the provision that documentation and supporting evidence is submitted to the appropriate City Council department for consideration in advance. All paperwork must fully and appropriately demonstrate that the welfare of the animals has been considered and secured when performing, at rest and when in transit to the event and/or circus. This would require the submission of a veterinary certificate, risk assessments and animal welfare policy.**
- (5) That the City Council will not permit mobile petting zoos, static exhibitions or the sale of animals (which includes invertebrates, reptiles and fish, excluding working animals) at any events on City Council land, or on any sites where a venue is operated on behalf of the City Council, irrespective of whether appropriate documentation is available or not. The exception to this would be Cumberland House Natural History Museum and Butterfly House, Blue Reef Aquarium, schools or similar where the main role of the venue is for educational or conservation purposes and that it can be demonstrated that all appropriate measures have been put in place to safeguard the well-being of the animals, invertebrates and insects on display there.**
- (6) That only those domestic or working animals performing at the**

event and/or circus be permitted to be kept on site, excepting domestic pets of members of the circus.

(7) That the wording within the Licence issued by the City Council that permits use of a site for circuses on its land be amended to state that *'the Licensee shall not be permitted to hold a circus show including animals with the exception of horses and dogs (save that domestic pets of circus members shall be permitted to be kept on the Site provided that they are not used to take part in performances or for exhibition purposes).'*

(8) That the City Council's approach on animal involvement does not restrict pets as therapy sessions in care homes, dog walking, animal grooming or dog shows on City Council land or any sites where a venue is operated on behalf of the City Council, provided that animal welfare is appropriately maintained by those managing the activity. Should the City Council receive any reports or concerns of animal abuse or cruelty at any of these activities, these will be investigated and instructed to cease as necessary.

**5 Treasury Management Strategy 2017/18 (Pages 23 - 86)**

The purpose of the report by the Director of Finance and Information Service is to obtain the Council's approval for 2017/18 to the Treasury Management Policy Statement (attached) which includes:

- Annual Minimum Revenue Provision for Debt Repayment Statement
- Annual Investment Strategy

**The recommendations are as set out at Section 3 of the report and this report is being submitted to Council on 21 March 2017 for approval.**

**6 Forward Plan Omission - Budget Monitoring Quarter 3**

The 'Revenue Budget Monitoring 2016/17 (Quarter 3) to end December 2016' report by the Director of Finance was omitted from the Forward Plan covering March 2017 published on 13 February 2017 (however it appeared on the updated Forward Plan published on 21 February, and therefore due notice has been given for the Council decision on this item on 21 March 2017). The Chair of the City Council's Scrutiny Management Panel has been notified and a public notice published.

**RECOMMENDED that the omission to the Forward Plan for March 2017 be noted and that the necessary public notice has been published.**

**7 Revenue Budget Monitoring 2016/17 (3rd Quarter) to end December 2016 (Pages 87 - 96)**

The purpose of the report by the Director of Finance & S151 Officer is to update members on the current Revenue Budget position of the Council as at the end of the third quarter for 2016/17 in accordance with the proposals set out in the "Portsmouth City Council - Budget & Council Tax 2017/18 & Medium

Term Budget Forecast 2018/19 to 2020/21” report approved by the City Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

**RECOMMENDED to Council:**

**(1) The forecast outturn position for 2016/17 be noted:**

**(a) An underspend of £1,287,400 before further forecast transfers from/(to) Portfolio Specific Reserves & Ring Fenced Public Health Reserve**

**(b) An underspend of £1,118,200 after further forecast transfers from/(to) Portfolio Specific Reserves & Ring Fenced Public Health Reserve.**

**(2) Members note:**

**(a) That any actual overspend at year end will in the first instance be deducted from any Portfolio Specific Reserve balance and once depleted then be deducted from the 2017/18 Cash Limit.**

**(b) That on 14th February 2017 City Council approved that any underspending for 2016/17 arising at year-end outside of those made by Portfolios (currently forecast at £1,118,200) be transferred to Capital resources.**

**(3) Directors, in consultation with the appropriate Cabinet Member, consider options that seek to minimise any forecast overspend presently being reported and prepare strategies outlining how any consequent reduction to the 2017/18 Portfolio cash limit will be managed to avoid further overspending during 2017/18.**

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