
NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE, LEISURE AND SPORT

FRIDAY, 16 MARCH 2018 AT 9.00 AM

THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL

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Councillor Linda Symes (Conservative)

Group Spokespersons

Councillor Stephen Morgan MP, Labour

Councillor Steve Pitt, Liberal Democrat

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AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence**
- 2 Declarations of Members' Interests**
- 3 Portsmouth City Council Playing Pitch Strategy 2018-2022 (Pages 7 - 92)**

Purpose of report

The purpose of the report is to present a framework for future provision and management of sports pitches to serve existing and new communities across Portsmouth.

RECOMMENDED

(1) That the attached Playing Pitch Strategy 2018-2022 is adopted as the key document to guide future planning and decision-making around playing pitches.

(2) That the city council undertakes to monitor and review the strategy on an annual basis in line with Sport England guidelines.

4 Library Fines and Reservation Fees (Pages 93 - 104)

Purpose of report

To set out the issues related to the current practice of charging fines for the late return of adult books and other library materials, in the light of changing patterns of use and pilot schemes by other library services. To make recommendations to change the practice of charging fines across Portsmouth Library Service as part of a broader campaign to bring back previous library users and attract new ones.

RECOMMENDED:

(1) That for a pilot period of three years, Portsmouth Library Services ceases to charge fines for the late return of books and other library materials lent to the public from Portsmouth owned stock. Stock from other libraries will continue to be charged according to inter-library-lending requirements.

(2) That for a pilot period of three years, Portsmouth Library Services cease to charge a reservation fee for books and other library materials, where the request can be satisfied within existing Portsmouth library lending stock. Stock obtained from other library sources and agreed with the requester will continue to be charged at cost.

(3) That an evaluation of the two pilots is conducted throughout the three year period in terms of library membership, use of services and loan return rates, taking recommendations for further action to the Portfolio Holder in year three.

(4) That the pilots be accompanied by a vigorous communication and outreach campaign to inform residents of the changes and encourage engagement with library services.

5 Portsmouth Museums and Visitor Services Venue Hire Charges and Charles Dickens Birthplace Museum Admission Charge. (Pages 105 - 124)

Purpose of report

To propose new venue hire charges for The D-Day Story and new Butterfly House and amended charges for other museum sites.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member:

- (1) Agree the new D-Day Story venue hire charges and Butterfly House venue hire charge as Appendix A.**
- (2) Agree that the D-Day Story can discount venue hire up to 30%.**
- (3) Agree amended venue hire and wedding charges for other museums.**
- (4) Agree flexible pricing for optional catering in conjunction with room hire.**
- (5) Agree to maintain current admission charges for Charles Dickens' Birthplace for 2018-19 including free entry for Portsmouth residents.**

6 Peter Ashley Activity Centres and Historic England (Pages 125 - 130)

Purpose of report

To inform the Cabinet Member of the availability of grant aid from Historic England (HE) for the repair of the Barrack Block Bridges at Fort Purbrook, and to outline the implications in terms of liability and resource that accepting such a grant might have for Portsmouth City Council due to the nature of the lease agreement the Council has with the Peter Ashley Activity Centres Trust (PAACT).

RECOMMENDED

That officers are authorised to enter into a tripartite grant agreement with PAACT and HE, subject to no financial obligations to contribute towards any costs without a further report to members setting out the works and any required Council match funding.

7 Portsmouth Museums Annual Update (Pages 131 - 144)

Purpose of report

To review the achievements of Portsmouth Museums Service in 2017/18 and to present the service's operational 'Plan on a Page' (PoP) for the next financial year.

RECOMMENDED that:

- (1) The review of last year's activity is noted, especially the progress**

made on Transforming the D-Day Museum.

- (2) Transforming the D-Day Museum remains a service priority with the focus on successful delivery of Activity and Business Plans, including preparing for the 75th Anniversary of D-Day in 2019.
- (3) Delivery of the Landing Craft Tank project continues in partnership with the National Museum of the Royal Navy.
- (4) The museums service continues to support delivery of the Paulsgrove project Capturing the Spirit and showcases the project at Portsmouth Museum.
- (5) Access to the city's natural history collection is enhanced through the appointment of a curator of natural history.
- (6) A series of exhibitions and events are held at Portsmouth Museum reflecting city priorities and anniversaries including the new Conan Doyle exhibition.

8 Victorious Festival (Pages 145 - 148)

Purpose of report

To update the Cabinet Member on the negotiations with Victorious Festival for a further contract period and to request authority to seek to agree to a contract for the single period, without an extension period for the full term.

RECOMMENDED that officers be authorised to enter into a contract with Victorious Festival for a period of 7 years from 2021 - 2027.

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