

Agenda item: 

**Decision maker:** Resources Portfolio Decision Making Meeting

**Subject:** Voluntary and Community Sector Framework.

**Report by:** Mandy Lindley Third sector Partnerships and Commissioning Manager

**Wards affected:** All

**Key decision (over £250k):** Yes

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## 1. Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to approve the final version of the framework following 12 week consultation period with the wider voluntary and community sector.

## 2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Approve the voluntary and community sector framework (appendix 1) on behalf of PCC.
- 2.2 Note the verbal update on changes at Community First for Portsmouth.
- 2.3 Members to advise of any further actions required.

## 3. Background

Following the Partnership Improvement Programme the voluntary and community sector framework incorporating a revised compact for Portsmouth was approved in draft format at the Resources portfolio meeting on July 2010. A 12 week consultation period has now been completed with feedback received from drop in events, survey and from the compact working group. Amendments are shown as underlined.

## 4. Reasons for recommendations

- 4.1 The approval of the voluntary and community framework now is timely as we face difficult times ahead, working together to identify savings but also opportunities for the voluntary and community sector to deliver services in the city.

**5. Equality impact assessment (EIA)**

The compact requires a full equality impact assessment to be undertaken when taking decisions with regard to funding and voluntary and community sector organisation.

**6. Head of legal services' comments**

The City Solicitor is satisfied that it is within the Council's powers to approve the recommendations as set out

**7. Head of finance's comments**

The feedback on the draft framework has not identified any direct financial implications. Any financial implications which arise as a result of implementing the framework will be brought to the attention of Members at the appropriate time.

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Signed by:

Louise Wilders  
Head of Customer, Community and Democratic Services

**Appendices:**

Appendix 1 Portsmouth City Council Voluntary and Community Sector Framework

The recommendation(s) set out above were approved/ approved as amended/ deferred/  
rejected by ..... on .....

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Signed by: