



## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

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### **CABINET MEMBER FOR RESOURCES**

**THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2011 AT 8.45AM  
EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM, THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH**

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#### **Cabinet Member for Resources**

Councillor Hugh Mason – Liberal Democrat

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## AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declaration of Members' Interests**

3. **Twinning Matters**

To consider items from the Twinning Advisory Group

**RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Resources decides matters before him from the Twinning Advisory Group.**

4. **Voluntary and Community sector report**

To consider a report which presents the findings of the counselling review, confirms the arrangements for PCC's grant programme for 2012/13 and which provides an update regarding voluntary and community sector issues (including a verbal update)

**RECOMMENDED that**

- (1) **The counselling review and next steps be noted**
- (2) **The timescale for the corporate grants programme for 2012/13 be agreed and the proposal to look at options for the future of the corporate grants programme be considered**
- (3) **The progress made with accommodation charges from the last meeting be noted.**

5. **DDA Works to Corporate Property**

To consider a report to identify the proposed DDA programme of work for 2011/12 and secure authorisation from the Resources Portfolio to incur capital expenditure funded from the approved capital budget.

**RECOMMENDED that the programme of access improvements for disabled people at an estimated cost of £50,000 funded from the DDA Works to Corporate Property Portfolio budget contained within the capital programme be approved**

6. **Asset Management Service Business Plan 2011-14**

To consider the Asset Management Service Business Plan for 2011-14 and to highlight its objectives and key risks.

**RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Resources approves the objectives set out in the Business Plan and notes the performance and financial risks that have been identified.**

7. **Disposal of Merefield House, Relocation of Children's Social Care (CSC) to Civic Offices & Refurbishment of Ground Floor Reception Facilities**

To consider a report which provides an update on the project to relocate Children's Social Care (CSC) from Merefield House to the Civic Offices.

**RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Resources notes that this project is on schedule, within budget and on track to achieve its key objectives.**

**8. Monitoring of the First Quarter 2011/12 Revenue Cash Limits and Capital Programme**

To consider a report which compares the forecast revenue outturn 2011/12 with the cash limited budget for that year, and the forecast capital expenditure with the approved capital programme and provides information to enable an understanding of the reasons for variances. It also lists the action to be taken to ameliorate the effect of forecast overspends.

**RECOMMENDED that the content of this report be noted**

**9. Indemnity for Link Volunteers**

To consider a report which is being submitted to the Cabinet Member for Resources because Portsmouth City Council (PCC) is now undertaking support of the Portsmouth Local Involvement Network (LINK). Part of that support is to provide indemnity for LINK activity. The current financial implications of providing this indemnity are uncapped as currently this risk is not insured by the Council. In the event that this risk could be added to our insurances then the maximum liability would be £50,000 for each claim (the level of our deductible under the Council's insurance policy) which would be funded from central Council funds in the event of a successful claim.

**RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Resources approves the following:  
that**

- a) PCC define the scope of legitimate LINK activity by reviewing LINK procedures in accordance with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 and associated Regulations.**
- b) PCC communicate the results of the review referred to in (a) and formally communicate this to the residents participating in LINK activity.**
- c) PCC indemnify Portsmouth LINK Residents in the execution of legitimate LINK activity [as defined by the outcomes of (a) and (b) above] within the City of Portsmouth.**
- d) PCC pursue insuring the activity in addition to the provision of the indemnity.**

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting is scheduled for 24 November 2011.