

NOTICE OF MEETING

SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT PANEL

FRIDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER 2009 AT 9.30 A.M.

EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM, FLOOR 3, THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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Membership

Councillor Cheryl Buggy
Councillor David Fuller
Councillor Terry Henderson
Councillor Malcolm Hey
Councillor Frank Jonas

Councillor Jim Patey
Councillor Paula Riches
Councillor Caroline Scott
Councillor Les Stevens

Standing Deputies

Councillor Mike Blake
Councillor Jim Fleming
Councillor Andy Fraser
Councillor Richard Jensen

Councillor David Horne
Councillor Mike Park
Councillor Darron Phillips

(NB This Agenda should be retained for future reference with the Minutes of this meeting.)

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AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence.**
2. **Declarations of Members Interests.**
3. ... **Minutes of Last Meeting.**

A copy of the minutes of the Scrutiny Management Panel meeting held on 15th October 2009 is attached.

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Scrutiny Management Panel meeting held on 15 October 2009 be confirmed as a correct record.

4. ... New Southsea Library, Cultural Centre and Contact Centre – Call-in of decision taken by Cabinet at its meeting on 9th November 2009

The Cabinet Members

- (1) Considered the opportunity described;
- (2) Authorised the Acting Head of Asset Management Services to proceed with negotiations for acquisition of the former Woolworths site;
- (3) Agreed that should these negotiations be successful the Acting Head of Asset Management Services will bring back any proposal to the Cabinet for approval to proceed;
- (4) Agreed that the Acting Head of Asset Management be authorised to proceed with the design development of the project through feasibility and to bring back to a scheme for approval for the refurbishment of the former Woolworths store;
- (5) The costs of a conceptual design development and feasibility works for the former Woolworths store in the sum of £30,000 be funded from the feasibility studies budget contained within the Resources Portfolio cash limit;
- (6) Agreed that if a retail bidder for the former Woolworths site makes a formal offer then the City Council reconsiders its intent to acquire the site

Councillors, Steve Wemyss, Simon Boshier, Donna Jones, Jim Fleming, Malcolm Hey, Robin Sparshatt and Frank Jonas have called in the above decision that was agreed by Cabinet on 9th November 2009 and published on the Members Information Service (MIS) for scrutiny.

If having considered the decision the Scrutiny Management Panel is still concerned about it then the Panel may refer the matter, to cabinet setting out in writing the nature of its concerns or refer the matter to full Council.

Attached is a copy of the call-in request, together with the original report that Cabinet considered and a copy of the MIS entry.

The following members will be in attendance:

- Councillor Gerald Vernon Jackson – Leader of the Council
- Councillor Lee Hunt – Cabinet Member for Culture & Leisure

5. ... Work Programmes

The panel will determine topics for consideration by Traffic, Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny as they have completed their work programme.

Request that topic from Housing & Social Care Scrutiny Panel be removed from their current work programme.

A copy of the Forward Plan is attached to assist the panel when determining which topics to consider for the scrutiny work programme.

6. Update on previous reviews

As requested at a previous meeting, the panel will receive an oral update from representatives from Planning & Highways in relation to the progress of the recommendations made following the review of the Adequacy of Sewerage & Water Supply in the City

7. ... Update on current scrutiny reviews

An update of all current scrutiny reviews is attached.

8. Date of next meeting

To be decided at the meeting.