

# Agenda Item 10g

## **AGENDA ITEM 10(g) OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY AT PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL**

### Amendment

1. Replace Par 2 and the 'Council notes' section with

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- Creating the cross-party working group on sea defences
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- Making sure opposition councillors again sat on the body that oversees cutting crime in Portsmouth.
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- Increasing seats on the Health and Wellbeing Board so all three political parties are represented
- Introducing regular cross-party portfolio briefings outside decision meetings and briefings for all members on how the Council is tackling Coronavirus.

Council also notes the encouraging responses to council consultations. As of 12 November this year, 21,058 residents replied to 35 consultations issued in 2020, outlined below. Council also notes the second wave of the coronavirus resident research, which includes the budget consultation, is launching today. In addition, almost 2,200 staff replied to internal consultations. The public consultations were:

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- Private rental sector strategy (wave one) - 849 responses
- Neglect survey - 175 responses
- Bus information survey - 595 responses
- Energy and water at home strategy - 273 responses
- Electric vehicle ownership survey - 63 responses
- MD resident parking zone review - 381 responses
- Early Years Census for 2020 - 202 responses
- MH Westfield Road area parking survey - 654 responses
- MI Middlesex Road area parking survey - 372 responses
- SEND young people survey - 63 responses
- City vision (coronavirus response) - 39 responses
- SEND parent/carers survey (2020) - 360 responses
- Coronavirus resident survey (wave one) - 2,826 responses
- Pompey Monster walk to school - winter 2020 - 282 responses
- Clean Air Zone individual - 2,175 responses
- Clear Air Zone business - 140 responses
- Companion bus pass survey - 90 responses
- Imagine Portsmouth: city-wide consultation - 1,822 responses
- MG Festing Grove area parking survey - 476 responses
- CCE Practitioners survey - 237 responses

- Concessionary bus pass survey - 702 responses
- The learning place research - 45 responses
- Carers self-assessment - 32 responses
- Elm Grove/Kings Road (wave one) - 919 responses
- Parent and carer survey (2020) - 222 responses
- Stomp for Stamps - 1,210 responses
- Seafront Masterplan - 1,268 responses
- Collaborative Enhancements Plan - 288 responses
- Special School Nursing service provision consultation - 51 responses
- Private Rental Sector Strategy (wave two) - 682 responses
- Local Transport Plan 4 - 848 responses\*
- Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan - 626 responses
- Colas resident survey 2020 - 1,726 responses
- Sports and Leisure facilities - 1,450 responses\*
- Elm Grove/Kings Road (wave two) - 1,437 responses\*
- Living Wage - 48 responses

\* = still in field as of 8 December

2. Replace the final point with:

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Proposed by (Name) Councillor Darren Sanders

Seconded by (Name) Councillor Matthew Winnington

Motion to therefore read:

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