

NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET

MONDAY, 7 APRIL 2014 AT 12.00 PM

EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM, THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL

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<u>A G E N D A</u>

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Declarations of Interests
- **3 Record of Previous Decision Meeting 3 March 2014** (Pages 1 14)
- 4 Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Reform Grant (Pages 15 22)

The attached report by the Director of Children's and Adults' Services and Child Support Services Commissioning Manager provides the Cabinet with an update on plans for implementing the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Reforms in Portsmouth. The report sets out how it is proposed that this funding is used to ensure that best value is achieved from the grant and that Portsmouth is ready for implementation from 1st September 2014.

RECOMMENDED that Cabinet:

- (a) Approve the full allocation of the Special Educational Needs Reform Grant of £253,647 in 2014-15.
- (b) Approve the proposals for utilising the grant to enable the successful implementation of the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Reform in Portsmouth as set out within the report.
- 5 'Growing Our Own' Delivering Apprenticeships for Portsmouth (Pages 23 58)

The attached report by the Director of Regeneration is to gain Cabinet approval of a report on delivering apprenticeships for Portsmouth and endorsement of the proposed Delivery Plan.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet:

- (1) Approve the Apprenticeships report and endorse the proposed Delivery Plan.
- (2) Delegate authority to the Director of Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration & Economic Development to make any future amendments to the Delivery Plan.
- (3) Agree the development of a renewed and ambitious apprenticeships programme within the City Council, along with an Apprenticeships Policy which includes provision for care leavers, to be approved by the Council's Employment Committee.
- (4) Agree that progress on increasing apprenticeship numbers within each of the Council's Services is reported to Strategic Directors and Employment Committee on a regular basis.
- 6 North Portsea Island Coastal Flood and Erosion Risk Management Scheme (Pages 59 - 64)

The attached report by the Head of Transport and Environment is to:

- (i) Inform Cabinet of the results of the public consultation for North Portsea Island Flood Defence Schemes.
- (ii) Advise that the project is currently on programme to meet the requirements of the Environment Agency's Programme of Acceleration and Growth (PAG) and officers now seek agreement to undertake detailed design based upon the preferred option identified from the public consultation exercise undertaken in February and March 2014.

RECOMMENDED:

That in order to implement the Council adopted Shoreline Management Plan and Portsea Island Coastal Strategy, Cabinet agree:-

- (1) To commence development of the detailed design using the information gathered from the public consultation exercise.
- (2) That whilst option D is shown to be the preferred option, the final design for the scheme will also have to take into account costs, local topography and various stakeholder interests. It is likely that the final scheme will be a combination of options C and D and that detailed design should commence on this basis.
- (3) To delegate authority to the Head of Service for Transport and Environment to submit the final business case to the Environment Agency in consultation with the Cabinet Member/Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Safety.

7 Street Scene Enforcement (Pages 65 - 86)

The attached report by the Chief Executive is

- (1) To outline the current approach to enforcement of environmental crime, and options for improving the cleanliness and tidiness of the streets by changing the approach.
- (2) To provide the Cabinet with details of a scheme whereby a private enforcement company issue Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) for environmental and dog fouling offences on behalf of local authorities and to ask Members to consider that such a scheme be introduced in Portsmouth on a pilot basis.

RECOMMENDED that

- a.) A 6 month pilot scheme is delivered by 3GS for the issuing of Fixed Penalty Notices for environmental and dog control offences (as listed in para 8.1);
- b.) The Strategic Director City Solicitor & Monitoring Officer be authorised, in consultation with the Cabinet Member -Environment & Community Safety and the Head of Service -Transport & Environment, to determine all matters relating to the pilot scheme;
- c.) A further report is presented to the Cabinet following evaluation of the pilot scheme.
- d.) The existing work being undertaken to improve the current approach to enforcement of environmental and street cleanliness issues be noted.

8 Approval of Policy with Havant Borough Council for Langstone Harbour Board (Pages 87 - 90)

The attached report by the City Solicitor is to seek Cabinet's approval to the attached draft policy.

RECOMMENDED that Cabinet approves the attached draft policy.

9 Portsmouth Retail Centres - Occupancy Report 2014 (Information Item) (Pages 91 - 96)

The attached report by the Head of Corporate Assets, Business and Standards is to update members on the current occupancy rates of the city's retail centres, set against the national and South East averages.

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