

NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR RESOURCES

THURSDAY, 10 MARCH 2016 AT 10.00 AM

THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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Councillor Lee Mason (Conservative)

Group Spokespersons

Councillor Colin Galloway, UK Independence Party Councillor Hugh Mason, Liberal Democrat Councillor Aiden Gray, Labour

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AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Declaration of Members' Interests
- 3 Local Welfare Assistance Provision April 2016 onwards (Pages 1 36)

Purpose

To make recommendations on local welfare assistance provision and budget from April 2016, and on the use of under-spend from local welfare provision in 2015/16 (estimated to be £60,000).

RECOMMENDED that:

- 1. A sum of £30,000 from the 2015/16 budget under-spend be allocated to provide local welfare in 2016/17, solely for residents from within the City boundaries to be distributed as £15,000 to Hampshire and Isle of Wight Community Foundation for the provision of Keep Warm Keep Well grants in 2016/17 and £15,000 for Housing Options to co-ordinate on behalf of housing support provider partners, for the provision of essential furniture and white goods for vulnerable clients who are re-settling, and require Housing Options to provide a quarterly report detailing the use of funds.
- 2. A sum of £30,000 be allocated from the 2015/16 budget under-spend within Resource Portfolio reserve to provide local welfare in 2017/18.
- 3. The Acting Tackling Poverty Coordinator (ATPC) to ensure information resources for people in financial hardship are kept up to date.
- 4. The ATPC to continue to work with Learning Links to develop a furniture recycling project in the city, with a sustainable model that can meet the needs of residents in financial hardship.
- 4 Monitoring of the Third Quarter 2015/16 Revenue Cash Limits and Capital Programmes information only (Pages 37 48)

Purpose

To inform the Cabinet Member and Opposition Spokespersons of :

- The forecast revenue expenditure for the year compared with the cash limited budget.
- The forecast capital expenditure against the revised capital programme for the Resources portfolio.

RECOMMENDED that the content of the report be noted.

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