

CABINET MEMBER FOR PLANNING, REGENERATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

RECORD OF DECISIONS taken by the Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration & Economic Development, Councillor Donna Jones, at his meeting held on Wednesday, 19 October 2016 at 9.30 am in Conference Room A - Civic Offices

Present

Councillor Donna Jones (in the chair)

Councillor Yahiya Chowdhury
Councillor Ben Dowling

20. Declarations of Members' Interests (AI 1)

Councillor Galloway had received advice from the City Solicitor that he was unable to participate in the meeting because he has a disclosable pecuniary interest in that he is employed by Brittany Ferries.
No other interests were declared.

21. Apologies for Absence (AI 2)

Councillor Galloway sent apologies for not being able to participate in the meeting for the reasons already stated.

22. Forward Plan Omission (AI 3)

The Forward Plan omission was noted.
The Chair of the Scrutiny Management Panel had been notified that the decision is being made in accordance with the City Council's Constitution (Access to Information Procedure Rules, Rule 15) and that urgent action had to be taken to enable a commercial agreement to be concluded forthwith. It was also noted that for this reason, the decision would not be subject to call-in.

23. Exclusion of Press and Public (AI 4)

The Leader of the Council with responsibilities for PRED advised that she would like to keep the proceedings in open session unless any member wanted to refer in detail to the exempt appendices. This was agreed.

24. Portsmouth International Port - Brittany Ferries Agreement (AI 5)

(TAKE IN REPORT)

Martin Putman, the Port Manager introduced the report. He said that the Port had good working relationships with Brittany Ferries. Brittany Ferries is the largest customer of the port and wishes to have certainty of their ability to berth their vessels. The Council wishes to receive a guarantee on some of their income at the port. The draft agreement is therefore beneficial to both parties.

The Leader of the Council with responsibilities for PRED thanked the Port Manager for the report and invited comments from the Opposition Spokespersons.

There were no comments or questions but the opposition spokespersons thanked those who had briefed them about the report.

DECISION:

That:

a) The draft Heads of Agreement with Brittany Ferries (Exempt Appendix 1) is approved.

b) Delegated authority be given to the Port Manager, Director of Finance, and City Solicitor to agree final terms and enter into the agreement.

The meeting concluded at 9.45 am.

Councillor Donna Jones
Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration & Economic
Development