



NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET

TUESDAY, 11 JUNE 2019 AT 3.00 PM

THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL

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Membership

Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE (Chair)	
Councillor Steve Pitt (Vice-Chair)	
Councillor Dave Ashmore	Councillor Lynne Stagg
Councillor Suzy Horton	Councillor Matthew Winnington
Councillor Darren Sanders	Councillor Rob Wood
Councillor Jeanette Smith	Councillor Lee Hunt

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AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for Absence**
- 2 Declarations of Interests**
- 3 Record of Previous Decision Meeting - 25 March 2019 (Pages 3 - 10)**

A copy of the record of the previous decisions taken at Cabinet on 25 March 2019 are attached.

RECOMMENDED that the record of the decisions taken by Cabinet on 25 March 2019 are agreed as a correct record and signed by the Leader.

- 4 Annual Appointments to Outside Bodies (Pages 11 - 18)**

A schedule of nominations is compiled by Democratic Services (all groups have been asked to put forward nominations) and this is based on the previous portfolio responsibilities.

At the Cabinet decision meeting members of the Cabinet will be asked to agree appointments.

Please note that some appointments may have more nominations than there are places available. An updated schedule will be circulated.

5 Representation to the Minister for Children regarding "Strengthening Families" funding for Children's Social Care (information item) (Pages 19 - 22)

The information report by the Director of Children Families and Education is accompanied by the letter from the Leader of the Council to the Minister for Children.

6 Water Quality Issues in the Solent Catchment Area and Planning Decisions (Information Report)

Report by Director of Regeneration **report to follow.**

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4 June 2019

Agenda Item 3

CABINET

RECORD OF DECISIONS of the meeting of the Cabinet held on Monday, 25 March 2019 at 1.00 pm at the Guildhall, Portsmouth

Present

Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE (in the Chair)

Councillors Steve Pitt
Dave Ashmore
Suzy Horton
Darren Sanders
Jeanette Smith
Lynne Stagg
Rob Wood

40. Apologies for Absence (AI 1)

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Ben Dowling and Matthew Winnington, due to work commitments. Councillors Gerald Vernon-Jackson and Councillor Wood apologised that they would need to leave before the end of the meeting, with the Leader due to attend a Parliamentary Select Committee.

41. Declarations of Interests (AI 2)

None.

42. Record of Previous Decision Meeting - 12 March 2019 (AI 3)

Councillor Sanders wished to clarify on minute 32 (TECS Scrutiny Panel Review of Parking and Director's Response) that the Cabinet had supported **all** of the recommendations **including** TECS recommendation 3.

RESOLVED the record of decisions of the Cabinet meeting held on 12 March 2019 were agreed as a correct record, subject to this amendment, to be signed by the Leader.

43. Housing targets, housing supply and the Authority Monitoring Report (AI 4)

Toby Ayling, Planning Policy Manager, presented the report of the Assistant Director City Development, which gave an update on the national housing targets and the local supply. This was in the light of changing government policy, the emerging Local Plan (which was being drafted to run to 2036) and sought approval of the completed Council's Authority Monitoring Report. He explained the analysis of the government target, the key element of student housing provision in Portsmouth, and the fact that the Council were now unable to demonstrate a 5 year supply to meet the imposed target of 863 per

annum. If this level of development could not be achieved via the Local Plan the council is expected to speak to neighbouring authorities under the duty to co-operate, to see if it can be met elsewhere. Given the new housing figures and the Government's emphasis being placed on housing delivery, it was proposed to run a training session for all members of the Planning Committee regarding the implications of this for determining planning applications prior to the April committee meeting.

Councillor Vernon-Jackson, Leader, was concerned by the inconsistent approach of different government departments, by imposing these targets at a time when air quality in Portsmouth needed to be addressed. Toby Ayling reported the council was expected to consider air quality and other constraints and see to what extent they can be overcome.

Councillor Vernon-Jackson and Councillor Wood apologised for needing to leave the meeting during discussion of this item, and Councillor Steve Pitt, Deputy Leader, chaired the remainder of the meeting (for this item and the Community Infrastructure Levy item, with the agenda order having been varied).

Deputations are not minuted in full but can be viewed as part of the web-stream:

<https://livestream.com/accounts/14063785/Full-Cabinet-25Mar2019/videos/189136317>

Councillor Judith Smyth advocated a cross party approach for planning policy and for the new Local Plan to have ways of addressing the Climate Emergency, with developments having environmental measures such as electric car charge points and solar panels.

Councillor Luke Stubbs spoke about the reliance on student accommodation in recent years to meet the target, which would drop sharply with Portsmouth no longer having a 5 year land supply, therefore there would be a greater reliance on greener sites.

In response to members' questions Toby Ayling further reported that the figures given by the government were to be with immediate effect. It would not be quicker to adjust the existing Local Plan than carry on with the new draft Plan. The current timetable for the new local plan is for a draft Plan to be published by the end of 2019, for confirmation in summer 2020.

Councillor Lynne Stagg, Cabinet Member for Traffic & Transportation, was concerned regarding the lack of transport infrastructure and the pressure put on existing roads, causing congestion and the Council was already bidding for Transforming Cities Funds for South East Hants Rapid Transit to ease the existing problems.

Councillor Sanders asked if the new homes being built on PCC land in Havant would be included? It was reported that these would be reflected in Havant Borough Council's own Local Plan, and as such would increase the potential of Havant to meet unmet demand in Portsmouth. Paul Barton, Interim

Assistant Director City Development, reiterated the Duty to Cooperate, where neighbouring authorities are expected to demonstrate how they have made housing allocations that contribute to meeting Portsmouth's housing requirements, if possible. It was also clarified that the Milton Neighbourhood Plan would, when adopted, be used when considering individual planning applications, along with the Local Plan and national planning policy.

Members of the Cabinet were concerned that the housing numbers were being slanted because of student accommodation, when there is a local need for affordable housing and when air quality needs to be tackled. In response to the government's imposed targets that cannot be met a fourth recommendation was added.

DECISIONS - The Cabinet:

- (1) Noted the issues covered in this report, and in particular the implications for the local plan and determination of planning applications;**
- (2) Endorsed the proposals to brief Planning Committee on the implications of these announcements for determining planning applications;**
- (3) Approved the publication of the Authority Monitoring Report on the Council's website;**
- (4) Endorsed the Administration's view that the Government's housing target of 863 homes per year be replaced by a local housing target that reflects the desire to cut the city's air pollution, the Council's resolution to declare a Climate Emergency and the need for relevant transport infrastructure.**

44. Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) - revision to process of allocation (AI 5)

Chris Ward, Director of Finance and Section 151 Officer, introduced his report. This set out an alternative proposal for CIL generated by development over £1m in value, with the first £150k of the neighbourhood portion being allocated to the ward of the development site, which would mean less in the "corporate pot" being non ring-fenced for city-wide schemes, but with the £150k cap other sites would benefit from larger schemes of over £1m. The date of implementation reflected the existing capital programme.

Cabinet Members supported Option 2 to give benefit to the wards which would see major development taking place.

DECISION -

The Cabinet considered which of the two options was in the best interests of residents, considering the balance between retaining a proportion of CIL funding for significant developments within the Ward where it is generated versus the benefits of allocating that funding for City wide use, and favoured

Option 2:

- i) Where the CIL generated by a development is at least £1m, the first £150,000 of the neighbourhood portion is allocated to the Ward in which**

the development sits (as is the case for developments that generate CIL of less than £1m) and the remainder of the neighbourhood portion is allocated for neighbourhood infrastructure that benefits areas including and beyond the Ward in where it was generated (as set out in section 4 and 5 of this report)

ii) That this procedure will take effect for developments commencing on or after 1st April 2020.

45. Revenue Budget Monitoring Quarter 3 (AI 6)

Chris Ward, Director of Finance & Information Technology and Section 151 Officer, presented his report for quarter 3 (running to the end of December 2018). This set out the proposals to deal with the Council's decision to reduce the Revenue Budget by £2.5m.

DECISIONS - The Cabinet agreed:

(i) The reduction of £2,500,000 in the Revised Budget 2018/19 arising from the approved Budget Amendment is met by the following:

a) Reducing the Revenue Contribution to the Capital Reserve by £1,436,000 which, in turn, requires each of the capital schemes outlined in Section 5 to be reduced by the amounts shown

b) A transfer from Portfolio Reserves (i.e. appropriation) of £1,064,000 as outlined in Sections 5 & 6.

(ii) The resulting £2,500,000 increase is used to re-instate the Other Expenditure budget to meet the estimated loss arising from the disposal of Victory Energy Supply Limited

(iii) Members noted:

(a) A forecast overspend of £2,322,000 before further forecast transfers (from)/to Portfolio Reserves

(b) A forecast overspend of £812,600 after further forecast transfers (from)/to Portfolio Reserves

(c) That any actual overspend at year end will, in the first instance, be deducted from any Portfolio Specific Reserve balance and once depleted then be deducted from the 2019/20 Cash Limit.

(d) That on 12th February 2019 City Council approved that any underspending for 2018/19 arising at year-end outside of those made by Portfolio's be transferred to Capital resources.

(iv) Directors, in consultation with the appropriate Cabinet Member, consider options that seek to minimise any forecast overspend presently being reported and prepare strategies outlining how any

consequent reduction to the 2019/20 Portfolio cash limit will be managed to avoid further overspending during 2019/20.

46. International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Guidelines on Anti-semitism (AI 7)

Councillor Pitt sought clarification that the Cabinet would be adopting the guidelines, rather than the Notice of Motion as a whole; this was confirmed by the City Solicitor.

DECISION: The Cabinet accepted adoption of the guidelines as set out by the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance and their definition of antisemitism.

47. Sister City Link with Sylhet (AI 8)

Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson, as Leader, welcomed this proposal which would bring economic prosperity for both cities and was pleased to have received the letter from the Mayor of Sylhet.

Councillor Jeanette Smith, Cabinet Member for Resources, also saw this as an economic development initiative, as there were no twinning funds to support additional exchanges, so a further report would be brought to look at how this would be resourced.

The Leader asked that a letter be send to the Mayor of Sylhet to progress the sister city link.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed that Portsmouth enter into a Sister City relationship with the Sylhet City Corporation and that the Economic Development Manager devise a formal work plan linked to operational economic development results which will benefit both cities.

48. Forward Plan Omission - relating to Open Access to Youth Provision (AI 9)

The Cabinet noted:

- (1) the omission to the Forward Plan for March 2019;
- (2) the publication of the omission notice.

49. Open Access to Youth Provision (AI 10)

Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson, Leader, welcomed the proposals to provide constructive activities for young people in areas where there was little open access currently provided. He was grateful to all involved in giving a flexible, cross-portfolio approach and for the involvement of the voluntary sector. These schemes were planned to run from the summer holidays across the city.

Gail Hancock, Interim Deputy Director Children's Services, reported on the plans to commission local voluntary sector colleagues to build on the open access and community provision already in Council Housing areas. The schemes would focus on sport and physical activities but would also include arts and would promote safety and wellbeing.

Councillor Darren Sanders, Cabinet Member for Housing, was delighted by the report and acknowledged the excellent work already taking place on housing estates, and felt this should not stop at these boundaries in helping to tackle Anti-Social Behaviour and improve the lives of teenagers.

DECISIONS - The Cabinet agreed:

(1) The City Council commission additional open access youth services for children and young people aged 10 years and older for a 2 year period in 2019/20 and 2020/21.

(2) That £250,000 be released from the Environment & Community Safety Portfolio Reserve each year for two years to fund this.

(3) That these services are commissioned from the voluntary sector, linking with the arrangements to promote 'Trusted Adult' relationships, funded through the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, in line with the national strategy for tackling serious violence.

(4) That the City Council helps to identify facilities which can be used by the voluntary sector providers to allow them to deliver this service.

(5) That this project starts in the early part of the 2019/20 financial year.

50. Trees - notification of work on trees on the Highway (information item) (AI 11)

Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson, Leader, was keen that a system for tree the responsibility of Colas came in that was similar to the notification for works on trees in parks. This would enable residents to know in advance of proposed works, with explanatory notices appearing on the trees and it was suggested that this also include explaining if trees were to be heavily pruned.

The procedure was supported by Cabinet Members and it was reported that information about trees going in was already part of the contract with Colas. Councillor Suzy Horton commented on the useful information circulated to all councillors in December regarding siting of trees in their wards to help suggest new locations, which would be worth repeating. Councillor Lynne Stagg reported that trees can also go in redundant build-outs.

The Cabinet noted the protocol for public notification for proposals to fell trees on the highway, pavements and verges.

The meeting concluded at 2.20 pm.

Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE
Leader of the Council

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Appointing body	Name of Body	Period of service	Number of Appointees required	Notes	Renewal	Current Representative	Nominations
Children & Families	Portsmouth Adoption Panel	3 years	1 nominee (for appointment by the Panel)			Jennie Brent (19/6/18)	
	Motiv8 (Registered Charity)	Annual	1 observer	22 May 2019 between 10am and 12 18 September 2019 between 10 and 12 20 November 2019 between 10 and 12 19 February 2020 between 10 and 12		Steve Pitt (19/6/18)	
Education	Education Advisory Board	Annual	Cabinet Member for Education, spokespersons and Chair of Education, Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel			Suzy Horton Hannah Hockaday Tom Coles Neill Young 19/6/18) (All	
	Elementary Education Act Trust board	Annual	5 (These usually include the Cabinet Members for Education and Children & Families).	2 or 3 meetings p.a. - dates are set as required.nothing yet set for later in year as trustees are asked their availability		Suzy Horton Hugh Mason Hannah Hockaday Neill Young (All 19/6/18)	
	Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education	4 years	*(Only 1 of the 4 places up for renewal which under SACRE constitution should be a Cllr)	The dates for the next meetings were agreed at 4.30pm venues to be advised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 26th June • Wednesday 20th November • Wednesday 18th March 2020 		Cllr Suzy Horton Maria Cole *Ryan Brent (No longer a Cllr) Taki Jaffer	
Leisure & Sport	Aspex Visual Arts Trust (Registered Charity and Company)	Annual	1 (observer)	6 times/yr - 23 January , 21 March , 22 May 17 July , 25 September , November 2019		Steve Pitt (10/2018)	
	Baffins Community Association (Registered Charity)	Annual	1	Next meeting is 9th April at 1pm. They have also got the AGM on 23rd April.usually arrange the other meetings at the end of the meetings.		Darren Sanders (19/6/18)	

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Culture L	Buckland Community Association (Registered Charity)	Annual	2			Jason Fazackarley Leo Madden (Both 19/6/18)	
	City of Portsmouth Sports Council	Annual	3	4 times/yr - 11 July , 10 Oct , 9 Jan 2020		Steve Pitt (19/6/18) Scott Payter-Harris (19/6/18) 1 vacancy	
	Cosham Community Association – Management Committee (Registered Charity)	Annual	1	Cosham Community Centre is now owned and managed by Portsmouth City Council - the association ended 31/12/18.		Hannah Hockaday (19/6/18)	
	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme – Hampshire Forum (Registered Charity)	Annual	1	Tue 14 May 19 - Forum AGM and Meeting Fri 5 Jul 19 - Gold Award Holders’ Reception in the Great Hall, Winchester. Tue 24 Sep 19 - meeting Late Jan 2020 - meeting		Steve Pitt (03/08/2018)	
	Eastney Area Community Association (Registered Charity)	Annual	1	Meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of the month 6.00pm in the Small Hall No meeting in August		Jennie Brent (19/6/18)	
	Farlington Marshes Management Committee	Annual	4	14 Nov at 2pm - usually lasts an hour		Hugh Mason (19/6/18) Simon Boshier (19/6/18) Steve Pitt (19/6/18) Ken Ellcome (6/7)	
	Fratton Community Association	Annual	1			Dave Ashmore (6/7/18)	
Culture Leisure & Sport	Hampshire Archives Trust - Annual Meeting	Annual	1			Appropriate PCC officer (19/6/18)	
	Hampshire Countryside Access Forum	3 years	1			Vacancy held.	
	International Boatbuilding Training College Portsmouth	Annual	1			Alicia Denny (19/6/18)	
	Kings Theatre Trust Ltd (Charitable Company)	Annual	2			Hugh Mason Luke Stubbs (Both 19/6/18)	
	Landport Community Association (Registered Charity)	Annual	1			Yahiya Chowdhury (19/6/18)	

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Leisure & Sport	Maritime Archaeology Trust (formerly Hants & Isle of Wight Trust for Maritime Archaeology).	Annual	1	<p>the meetings normally take place at 11am at the National Oceanography Centre, Southampton.</p> <p>Tues 16 July 2019 (management committee and finance committee) Friday 18 October 2019 (AGM) Tues 19 November 2019 (management committee and finance committee)</p>		Matthew Winnington (19/6/18)	
	Mary Rose Trust (Registered Charity and Company)	Annual	2 nominations (for Trust approval) + Lord Mayor ex officio	Members Meeting on 4th October 2019 at 11:30 at the Mary Rose Museum, usually lasting around 1.5 - 2 hours		Rob Wood Fazackarley Lord Mayor (All 19/6/18)	Jason
	Milton Village Community Association (Registered Charity)	Annual	1	Our meetings are on 4th Thursday monthly at 6pm at the hall.		Ben Dowling (19/6/18)	
	New Theatre Royal Trust (Registered Charity and Company)	Annual	1	3rd or 4th Wednesday of the Month 5pm-7pm. May, Jul, Sep, (AGM Oct), Nov, Jan, Mar.		Will Purvis (19/6/18)	
	Overlord Embroidery Trust Liaison Committee	Annual	Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure & Sport + 2 others.	usually just one annual meeting in September at D-Day Story (new name for the museum) but date will be decided once reps are known - it usually includes the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport		Steve Pitt Frank Jonas Judith Smyth (All 19/6/18)	
	Paulsgrove Community Association (Registered Charity)	Annual	1			Claire Udy (6/7/18)	
	Peter Ashley Activity Centre Management Committee (Registered Charity)	Annual	1			Lee Mason (19/6/18)	
	Portsmouth Royal Dockyard Historical Trust	Annual	1 can be a non Councillor			Alicia Denny (19/6/18)	

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Culture Le	Stacey Community Centre Management Committee	Annual	1	Every other month on the first Wednesday of the month. The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday 1st May. usually arrange the next meeting at the meeting.		Darren Sanders (19/6/18)	
	Stamshaw & Tipner Community Centre Association (GMC)	Annual	1	3rd tuesday of the month		Leo Madden (19/6/18)	
	West Paulsgrove Scout & Community Association	3 years	1 Not necessarily an elected member.	Meeting every two months,the next meeting is agreed at each meeting, starting at 7.30. next meeting will be 25/04/2019		Vacancy held.	
t and Community Safety	Standing Conference on Problems Associated with the Coastline (SCOPAC)	Annual	1	The next scheduled meeting of SCOPAC is for Friday 21 June at 10am.		Hugh Mason (19/6/18)	
	LGA Coastal Issues Special Interest Group	Annual	1	19th at the Flood and Coast Conference, Telford Allerdale Borough Council (10th-12th September December 13th in London.		Hugh Mason	
	Portchester Crematorium Joint Committee	Annual	2 Cabinet Members	4 times a year, traditionally at 2pm on a Monday in March, June, September and December. now hold meetings at the Crematorium.		Dave Ashmore Jeanette Smith (19/6/18)	
	Portsmouth Plastic Free Coastlines Steering group	Annual	1 Councillor	Thurs 4th April Plastic Free Portsmouth - Anti-Littering Planning Meeting Thurs 30th May Plastic Free Portsmouth Steering Group		Will Purvis (19/6/18)	

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Environment	Project Integra Strategic Board	Annual	1 + deputy	PI Strategic Board meetings are held three times a year, usually February, June/July, and October. The next meeting is scheduled for the 10th July at Fareham Borough Council. The meetings are held in different locations in the County, usually Basingstoke Council in February, Fareham in the summer, and Hampshire County Council in Winchester in October		Dave Tompkins (6/7/18) (vacancy for deputy)	
	Solent Sea Rescue Organisation	Annual	1			Lee Mason (19/6/18)	
Environment and Community Safety	Southern Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authority (formerly Southern Sea Fisheries Cttee)	Annual	1	Numerous Meetings		Matthew Winnington (19/6/18)	
	Southern Regional Flood & Coastal Committee	Annual	1	Main meetings are in January, April, July and October. Forthcoming meetings are on the 9th April, 15th July and 15th October. Sub-committee meetings are in March and September. Next sub meeting is the 24th September		Hugh Mason (2015)	
	Trading Standards South East Limited (known as TSSE)	Indefinite	1 member or officer			Officer representative (19/6/18)	
Health, Wellbeing & Social Care	Portsmouth Disability Forum (Registered Charity and Company)	Annual	2	Our 4 x year meeting		Jennie Brent Vacancy from Oct 18	
	Portsmouth Fostering Panel	3 years	1	Once a month - 9th April, 23rd April, 14th May, 31st May, 11th June, 9th July, 13th August, 10th September, 8th October, 12th November, 10th December 2019		Vacancy.	
Housing	Lord Mayor of Portsmouth's Coronation Homes - Board	ex officio	1	We meet every 4-6 weeks		Lord Mayor (19/6/18)	

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Leader	Fratton Big Local	Annual	1 Fratton Ward Councillor	May 7th, June 11th, July 2nd, August 6th, September 10th, October 1st, November 5th (Away Day), December 3rd Meeting held in Fratton Community Centre 12.00noon -2.00pm.		Dave Ashmore (full member) Tom Coles (deputy) 19/6/18	
	Hampshire & Isle of Wight Local Government Association	Annual	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14 June 2019 (Annual) – HCC • 27 September 2019 – Rushmoor BC • 29 November 2019 – Havant BC Meetings Held Quarterly		Lee Mason (19/6/17) Judith Smyth (19/6/18) Gerald Vernon-Jackson (6/7/18)	
	Improvement & Efficiency South East (IESE) LGA representative	Annual	1			Darren Sanders (19/6/18)	
	Improvement & Efficiency South East (IESE) LGA representative - Non Exec Director	ongoing	1			Lee Mason (19/6/18)	
	Port Advisory Board	On-going	1 ex-officio (Cabinet Member for PRED) + 5 Plus deputies if required	There are 4 meetings a year and they are held every quarter.		Ben Dowling (ex-officio) Hugh Mason Gerald Vernon-Jackson Donna Jones Frank Jonas Judith Smyth (19/6/18)	
	Public Service Board	Ex officio for the Leader.	1	No further meeting dates as merging with other board.		Gerald Vernon-Jackson (ex-officio as Leader) 19/6/18	
	PUSH (Partnership for Urban South Hampshire) Joint Committee	Annual	1 + 1 deputy	6pm and are held at Fareham Borough Council		Gerald Vernon-Jackson with Ben Dowling as deputy	
	PUSH Overview & Scrutiny Committee	For time being	1 + deputy	6pm and are held at Fareham Borough Council		Judith Smyth (full) No deputy.	

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Leader	SIGOMA (Special Interest Group of Municipal Authorities admin by the LGA)	Annual	1 + deputy	the full schedule of 2019/20 Member meetings will be set at the July Full meeting and AGM (which is the next one) . The annual meeting takes place at the LGA annual conference which you will be pleased to know is in Bournemouth this year over 2-4 July		Lee Mason (19/6/18) (vacancy for deputy)	
	St Thomas's Cathedral Council	Annual	1	7.00pm 16th October (Provisional) and 26th November		Gerald Vernon-Jackson	
	William Shepherd Charity & Elizabeth Mary Claypitt Charity	Not stated	2			Churchwarden and the vicar of St Mary's Church	
PRED	Building Control Partnership	Annual	1	25 September 2019 13 February 2020 Both meetings start at 6pm.		Ben Dowling (member rep) Claire Upton-Brown (officer rep)	
	Hampshire Buildings Preservation Trust – Annual Meeting (Registered Charity)	Annual	1			14/6 vacancy held.	
	Minerals and Waste Development Framework Members' Steering Group	Annual	Ex officio for Cabinet Member PRED.	At current there are not likely to be any meetings in 2019		Ben Dowling (ex officio) 19/6/18	
	PATCH Ltd (Registered Company)	Annual	Up to 3	Monday, 13th May, Monday, 10th June, no meetings July and August and then Monday, 9th September, Monday, 14th October, Monday, 11th November and Monday, 9th December. They run from 2.00 to 4.00 pm and are usually held in The Brook Club at Somerstown Central		Rob Wood (19/6) Ryan Brent (if he is willing to continue) 19/6/18 Tom Wood (6/7/18)	
	Solent Forum	Annual	1	2nd October (morning) at Northwood House, Cowes		Ben Dowling (3 Aug 18)	

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PRED	Tourism South East (Registered Company)	Annual	2	The date for this year's meeting has yet to be finalised but they hope that it will be 26 September 2019.		Steve Pitt Scott Payter-Harris	
	European City Twinning Committee	3 years	5 including the Leader and Lord Mayor + 2	The committee meets once every 2 months approximately.		Jeanette Smith (representing the Leader) Lynne Stagg Yahiya Chowdhury Claire Udy Jo Hooper Lord Mayor (ex-officio)	
	Haifa/ Portsmouth Friendship Committee	2 years	5			Hugh Mason Frank Jonas Lee Mason + 2 vacancies	
	South East Employers	Annual	1 + 1 deputy. Note: that PCC used to be able to appoint 2 reps and 2 deputies.	Reps should have an interest in strategic employment issues influencing the future deirection of local government. Meetings are held during the day in London or Winchester. They should not be employees of a local authority nor any of the locall goverment unions. NOTE: It is important that reps attend the AGM on 17 July in London.		Jim Fleming (19/6/18) Stephen Morgan (19/6/18) Darren Sanders - deputy (6/7/18) 1 deputy vacancy	
Traffic and Transportation	National Parking Adjudication Service Management Committee - now known as Parking & Traffic Regulations Outside London (PATROL)	Ex officio Cabinet Member for T&T	1	The joint committee meetings are held annually in July in London. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 16 July and papers will be sent to those members who confirm attendance		Lynne Stagg (ex officio)	
	Solent Transport Joint Committee (formerly known as Transport for S Hants - Joint Cttee	Annual	1 Normally Cabinet Member for T&T.			Lynne Stagg	
	Transport Liaison Group	Annual	4 ex officio (Cabinet Member + group spokespersons)			Lynne Stagg Simon Boshier Yahiya Chowdhury	

Agenda Item 5

THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

(Please note that "Information Only" reports do not require Equality Impact Assessments, Legal or Finance Comments as no decision is being taken)



Portsmouth
CITY COUNCIL

Title of meeting: Cabinet

Subject: Representation by the Leader of the Council to the Minister for Children, DFE

Date of meeting: 11 June 2019

Report by: Alison Jeffery, Director Children, Families and Education

Wards affected: All

1. Requested by: Leader of the Council

2. Purpose: To bring to the attention of Cabinet and councillors the issues raised in his letter to the Minister

3. Information Requested

3.1 Cllr Vernon Jackson has written to the Minister for Children, Nadim Zahawi, to ask for a change in the policy of the DFE in relation to funding support for councils to strengthen the work of children's social care.

3.2 The Government announced in Autumn 2018 that £84m would be made available to a maximum of 20 councils to support service improvement designed to prevent children needing to come into care. The funding is available to help councils, particularly those with high numbers of looked after children relative to their population, to implement tried and tested approaches to keeping families together.

3.3 One of the approaches to be supported is a model known as "Family Safeguarding" in which children's social workers work alongside dedicated adult service workers to tackle issues around parental substance misuse, mental health and domestic abuse, to support parents to change behaviours so that children can stay safely in their care. In Portsmouth we are keen to implement this model, to build on our existing strong social care services, rated as "Good" by Ofsted in September last year. When the criteria for allocating the new funding were announced recently, however, we discovered that the funding would only be available to councils whose services were rated "Requires Improvement".

3.4 As councillors will be aware, the council's budget for children's social care has been and remains under significant pressure despite the addition of £3m to the budget in 2019/2020. The costs of alternative care for looked after children are a key driver of

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this pressure so strengthening support to families, including through the new Family Safeguarding" model is a priority for the service.

3.5 Research commissioned by the LGA in 2018 identified that the costs of Portsmouth's services are low compared to other councils. External investment support to strengthen the service further would have been very helpful and as a "Good" authority we would be well positioned to take advantage of that support. As it is we will need to weigh up the advantages of investment to secure longer term sustainability, even against the background of significant budget pressure.

3.6 Cllr Vernon Jackson's letter makes the case for Portsmouth as a priority area for Government support given the additional pressures the council also faces, for example in relation to support for high numbers of unaccompanied asylum seekers.

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Signed by (Director)

Appendices:

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location

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Dear Minister,

Re: Strengthening Families Funding

Thank you very much indeed for making the time recently to come down to Portsmouth to see the good inclusive practice at Admiral Lord Nelson School in the city. I know that my colleague Cllr Horton enjoyed meeting you and being able to show you the imaginative joint working we have here in the city between the council and schools.

As a small city with many challenges and limited resources we have to be imaginative in all that we do and are always seeking to innovate. When the Chancellor announced last Autumn that the Government would be looking to provide pump priming for approaches designed to reduce the number of looked after children we were delighted as we could see immediately how this could help us with our plans to introduce here the model of Family Safeguarding which Hertfordshire County Council (with millions of Innovation funding from the DFE) have pioneered. The published data for 2017 and 2018 show clearly how our numbers of looked after children are above our statistical neighbours (even without including our significant numbers of unaccompanied asylum seekers - a responsibility which as a small port city we bear disproportionately with no additional help from the Government). We know the 2019 data will show this again as this March we reached a looked after children rate of 109.5/10,000, our highest ever by a long distance.

Our disappointment when it became clear last month that only authorities rated "Requires Improvement" or below would be eligible was huge. We worked so hard, without external help, to achieve our "Good" rating in September 2018. I simply cannot understand why we are now being penalised for that, with no access to funding to bring about the service transformation we badly need. I should be grateful if this constraint could be reconsidered, please, in the interests of both equity and the success of the programme - something which seemed important to DFE in earlier rounds of the Innovation Fund.

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While we have great partnerships to draw on in the city and are confident of the model, we know we could make excellent use of time limited pump priming funding for the workforce development and culture change we need to make family safeguarding a success here.

I look forward to hearing from you. In the meantime thank you again for coming to Portsmouth. Your visit and positive feedback were a great boost to the morale of our hardworking teachers, school leaders and many others.

Yours sincerely

Cllr Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE
Leader of the Council