



NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY

TUESDAY, 28 JANUARY 2020 AT 4PM

THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL

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Membership

Councillor Lee Hunt (Cabinet Member)

Councillor Cal Corkery

Councillor Gemma New

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AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence.**
- 2 Declarations of members' interests.**

3 Retention of additional community wardens (Pages 5 - 28)

Purpose.

To propose the retention of additional community wardens until 31 March 2021.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Community Safety approve the proposal to retain the 8 additional Community Warden posts for a further extended period until 31 March 2021.

4 Health & safety service plan 2019/ 2022 (Pages 29 - 62)

Purpose

1. This report is an expression of the Portsmouth City Council's (the Council) commitment to its health and safety (H&S) role and responsibilities to develop a H&S operating plan.
2. The attached business plan sets out the manner in which H&S inspections, initiatives and activities have been designed to broadly meet the requirements of the National Local Authority Enforcement Code issued by the H&S Executive (HSE) under Section 18 of the H&S at Work etc. Act 1974 (HSW Act).
3. The HSE requires a H&S operating plan to be submitted annually for Member approval to ensure local transparency and accountability, however, in September 2017 the Council took to a view to review and publish a new plan at least every third year.
4. The 2019 - 2022 H&S operating plan (the plan) sets out the overall aim of the service:
"To work with others to protect people's health and safety by ensuring risks in the changing workplace are managed properly."
5. The plan is based upon the following key priority aligned with the HSE 2019 Priority:
"The prevention of death, injury and ill health to those at work and those affected by work activities."
6. Upon approval, the plan will be effective for a period of approximately 3 years.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Community Safety approves the manner in which Regulatory Services purposes to deliver its H&S responsibilities for the period 2019 - 2022 as set out in Appendix 1.

5 Scams - three year action plan 2019/ 2022 (Pages 63 - 80)

Purpose.

This report seeks to:

- Identify what is meant by the term 'Scam' or *mass marketing fraud (MMF)*, describe the nature and level of harm caused by scams and explain why certain residents are susceptible to falling victim to scams, and

- Why Regulatory Services (RS) should devote resources to this area of work, how RS, along with its partner agencies, intends to mitigate the financial and societal harm caused by scams.
1. **RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Community Safety approves the manner in which Regulatory Services delivers its scams prevention work, and**
 2. **agrees that Portsmouth City Council becomes a 'Friends Against Scams' Local Authority.**

6 Financial investigations & asset recovery (Pages 81 - 98)

Purpose of the report

This report seeks to inform the Cabinet Member for Community Safety of:

- The benefits of financial investigation and asset recovery; utilising the powers available to accredited officers (AFIs) under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (POCA).
- How associated legislation contributes to the investigative functions of Regulatory Services, particularly the Trading Standards service, but also wider departments within Portsmouth City Council, and
- The successes of this work stream since the last report to cabinet which was published in March 2010 and our intentions to grow this work over the next three years.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Community Safety:

- **Acknowledges the powers available to AFIs employed within Regulatory Services and authorises their inclusion within the council's enforcement policy.**
- **Acknowledges the benefits this work has yielded since its implementation, and approves the manner in which Regulatory Services seeks to deliver its financial investigation & asset recovery plan going forward.**
- **Approves the retention of the reserve account so recovered monies can be reinvested in keeping with the Home Office policy.**

7 The importance of shellfish production areas & sampling. (Pages 99 - 116)

Purpose.

The purpose of this report is to advise the Cabinet Member for Community Safety of the responsibilities placed upon Regulatory Services (RS) in respect to live bivalve molluscs (shellfish) and of the importance of shellfish more generally.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Community Safety:

1. **Acknowledges the responsibilities of RS in respect to shellfish.**
2. **Recognises the importance of shellfish to the local fishing industry and to the 'health' of our harbours.**
3. **Approves the manner in which shellfish sampling is to be undertaken for the next 12 months.**

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