



NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE

THURSDAY, 19 MARCH 2020 AT 10AM

THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL

Telephone enquiries to Jane Di Dino 023 9283 4060
Email: jane.didino@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

If any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting has access requirements, please notify the contact named above.

Membership

Cabinet Member for Environment & Climate Change.
Councillor Dave Ashmore (Cabinet Member)

Group Spokespersons.
Councillor George Fielding
Councillor Robert New

(NB This agenda should be retained for future reference with the minutes of this meeting).

Please note that the agenda, minutes and non-exempt reports are available to view online on the Portsmouth City Council website: www.portsmouth.gov.uk

Deputations by members of the public may be made on any item where a decision is going to be taken. The request should be made in writing to the contact officer (above) by 12 noon of the working day before the meeting, and must include the purpose of the deputation (for example, for or against the recommendations). Email requests are accepted.

AGENDA

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

3 Provision of Food Waste Disposal Facilities (Pages 3 - 4)

Purpose.

To update the Cabinet Member on the provision of food waste disposal facilities.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Environment & Climate Change note the report.

Members of the public are permitted to use both audio visual recording devices and social media during this meeting, on the understanding that it neither disrupts the meeting nor records those stating explicitly that they do not wish to be recorded. Guidance on the use of devices at meetings open to the public is available on the council's website and posters on the wall of the meeting's venue.

Whilst every effort will be made to webcast this meeting, should technical or other difficulties occur, the meeting will continue without being webcast via the council's website.

This meeting is webcast (videoed), viewable via the council's livestream account at <https://livestream.com/accounts/14063785>

Agenda Item 3

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: Environment and Climate Change decision meeting

Subject: Provision of food waste disposal facilities

Date of meeting: 19 March 2020

Report by: James Hill, Director for Housing, Neighbourhood and Building Services

Wards affected: All

-
1. **Requested by** Cllr Dave Ashmore, Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change
 2. **Purpose** To update the cabinet member on the provision of food waste disposal facilities
 3. **Background**
 - 3.1. Under the terms of the Environmental Protection Act, 1990, Portsmouth City Council (the 'Council') is classed as a Waste Collection and Disposal Authority. This means PCC are responsible for the provision of disposal facilities for household waste. Current provision is made through the waste service disposal contract which is a joint contract with Hampshire County Council and Southampton City Council. This contract runs until 31 December 2030.
 - 3.2. Current provision for black bag waste is via the provision of 3 Energy Recovery Facilities (ERFs) across Hampshire at Portsmouth, Chineham and Marchwood.
 - 3.3. The government's environment bill looks set to introduce mandatory separate food waste collections for local authorities' household waste collection services from 2023.
 - 3.4. Portsmouth is currently trialling separate food waste collections to approximately 9000 homes, with a further 9000 households to get separate food waste collections from September 2020. Portsmouth's food waste is currently being delivered to the ERF and then transferred to an anaerobic digestion (AD) plant in Hurn, Bournemouth, where it is recycled into bio-methane and digestate.
 - 3.5. There is a lack of local provision for food waste treatment and this has a financial and environmental impact on the disposal of separately collected food waste.
 - 3.6. For food waste collections to be delivered on a citywide basis, PCC will need to identify and secure a disposal point for the material collected. At this time, this is unlikely to be secured locally because of the lack AD provision in the area.

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)

- 3.7. The administration has asked officers to investigate the possibility of providing an anaerobic digestion facility to address the issue of where we can process the food waste collected.
- 3.8. The administration has set aside funding to carry out a feasibility study and business case for AD provision. Provision has also been made for funding for planning and development.
- 3.9. The feasibility work will establish options for the size and location of the plant.
- 3.10. The City Council will need to work with partners (other local authorities) and contractors to establish a business plan - this will include identifying a suitable site.
- 3.11. A project board has been established and its first task is to complete the business case.
- 3.12. Additionally, officers will also begin engagement with partners to the waste disposal contract.

4. Finance Comments

- 4.1. The City Council have approved an overall budget of £22.2m to deliver the Anaerobic Digestion Plant. This is a split of £200,000 of Corporate Reserves and £22m Unsupported borrowing.
- 4.2. The initial £200,000 will be used to gain more understanding of the market in order to finalise a business case for the development of the plant. The complexity of this project means that the Council will need to understand the risks associated with building a plant so that we have a robust financial and viable financial business case before we proceed to investing in a plant.

.....
 Signed by (Director)

Appendices: None

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