

Notification to all Members of the council of decisions by the Cabinet

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The following decisions have been taken by the Cabinet (or individual Cabinet members) and will be implemented unless the call-in procedure is activated. Rule 15 of the Policy and Review Procedure Rules requires a call-in notice to be signed by any 5 members of the Council. The call-in request must be made to democratic@portsmouthcc.gov.uk and must be made by not later than 5pm on Wednesday 22nd July.

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		Cabinet Decision Meeting - 14 July The Cabinet has made the following decisions:-	Joanne Wildsmith, Democratic Services Tel 9283 4057 joanne.wildsmit h@portsmouthc c.gov.uk
4		Decision taken by the Chief Executive under Standing Order 58 - HIVE Portsmouth (information item) The decision taken on 27 March by the Chief Executive to approve the Strategic Partnership Agreement is not subject to call-in.	
5		Modern Slavery Statement DECISIONS: The Cabinet approved: i) The Modern Slavery Transparency Statement for publication on the council's website (see appendix 1) ii) The programme of work set out in section 5 of the report.	Lisa Wills, Strategy and Partnership Manager

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		iii) That Full Council be asked to note the recommendations for information only.	
6		LGBT+ Champion appointment - for Children and Young People	Sarah Christopher, PEP and School
		DECISIONS:	Inclusion Manager
		The Cabinet appointed Cllr Claire Udy as Portsmouth's LBGT+ Children and Young People's Champion and asked Cllr Udy to undertake this role with support and input from Cllrs Suzy Horton, Chris Attwell and George Fielding.	
7		Appointments to Outside Bodies and Champion Appointments	Stewart Agland, Local Democracy Manager
		DECISIONS:	J
		a) Appointments to outside bodies The following appointments were made: Motiv8 - Councillor Hugh Mason Elementary Education Act Trust - Cllr Gerald Vernon-Jackson to replace Cllr Rob Wood Kings Theatre - Cllr Luke Stubbs to be asked to continue Mary Rose Trust - Cllr Gerald Vernon- Jackson to replace Cllr Rob Wood Portchester Crematorium Joint Committee - Cllrs Lee Hunt and Dave Ashmore Building Control Partnership - Cllr Hugh Mason (Member Rep) Minerals and Waste Development Framework Members' Steering Group - Cllr Hugh Mason Solent Forum - Cllr Hugh Mason	
		Portsmouth Fostering Panel - all groups would be asked to make nominations to fill the vacancy	
		b) <u>Champion Roles</u>	
		The following appointments were made: Armed Forces Champion - Cllr Gerald Vernon-Jackson to continue as the official champion, to ensure compliance with the Gold Employer Award this should be a cabinet	

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		member, with Cllr Frank Jonas and Cllr Tom Coles giving their support. Mental Health Champion - Cllr Matthew Winnington Homelessness Champion - Cllr Darren Sanders - whose portfolio would be renamed "Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness" to reflect this Heritage Champion - Councillor Lee Hunt The Leader requested a report to a future Cabinet regarding the roles of Champions.	
8		Discharge to Assess Unit at Harry Sotnick House DECISIONS: Cabinet: (1) Endorsed the continued operation of the 20 bedded 14 Day isolation unit in the HSH Gun Wharf Unit, recognising that this is dependent on continued funding from the temporary NHS Hospital Discharge Scheme. (2) Endorsed the expansion of the unit by a further 26 beds for D2A should there be a need as a consequence of a second COVID-19 peak, recognising that this will be dependent on additional funding from the temporary NHS Hospital Discharge Scheme. (3) Endorsed continued work to develop plans to transition the 20 Gun Wharf COVID beds to a mainstream Discharge to Assess unit, recognising that this would be part of a wider system change. It should also be acknowledged that this will require a more detailed financial appraisal, together with a retargeting of existing funding sources and potentially financial contributions from the wider health and care system partners; to ensure it is financially sustainable in the longer term. A further report will be presented to Cabinet once the final costings and funding sources have been identified in order to seek formal agreement to establish the unit.	Andy Biddle, Assistant Director, Adult Services
9		Transport Recovery Plan	Hayley Trower, Air Quality Lead

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		DECISIONS: Cabinet:	Officer (Transport & Regeneration)
		(1) Approved the strategic direction to PCC's Covid-19 transport response as set out in the draft Transport Recovery Plan;	
		(2) Approved the delivery of the proposed temporary measures, and process for prioritising further measures as set out in the draft Transport Recovery Plan;	
		(3) Noted that the measures proposed within the draft Transport Recovery Plan are intended as temporary measures to be implemented quickly in response to public health concerns and to support the city's economic recovery. Therefore proposals will not be subject to the usual public consultation process prior to implementation;	
		(4) Noted that proposals in the draft Transport Recovery Plan are conditional upon sufficient funding being provided secured through government's Emergency Active Travel Fund;	
		(5) Gave delegated authority to the Assistant Director for Transport to amend the draft Transport Recovery Plan in line with the recommendations of Cabinet and in relation to the agenda item on LTP4 for this decision meeting.	
10	All Wards	Local Transport Plan LTP4	Felicity Tidbury,
		DECISION:	Transport Planning
		Cabinet approved the content of the draft Portsmouth Local Transport Plan 4 strategy for statutory consultation.	Manager
11		Waste Collections and Disposal Infrastructure (information report)	Colettte Hill Assistant Director Neighbourhoods
		The Cabinet noted the information update report which is not subject to call-in.	

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12		Supporting rough sleepers and the hidden homeless: options for the way forward DECISIONS:	Paul Fielding, Assistant Director Housing
		(1) Cabinet noted the provision in place prior to the COVID-19 crisis	
		(2) Cabinet commended the remarkable efforts of the local authority and partners to meet the call from government to provide safe and secure accommodation for rough sleepers and thank the wide range of public services, the voluntary sector, the local communities, members, officers and the Accor Hotel group & the local hotel management team in continuing to support the emergency provision in place	
		(3) Cabinet noted the learning to be used to underpin the solutions moving forward	
		(4) Cabinet noted the emergent MHCLG funding announcements for the interim and long term plan and the work with the MHCLG to co-produce the interim and long-term plan.	
		(5) Cabinet approved the interim plan subject to funding being made available, to last up to 12 months from the end of August 2020 and which includes these elements:	
		 i. Use Private Rented Accommodation and purchased/sub-leased property at Local Housing Allowance rents for those who need only financial support ii. Use HMOs through the HMO housing organisation for suitable for a private rental tenancy provided floating support is available. iii. Use a hotel or accommodation block for those who need intensive onsite support that can 	
		best be provided in such a setting alongside security. iv. Use no more than 18 spaces	

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	between Kingston Point and Hope House as the final accommodation option for those not in the above categories. This will be accompanied by intensive support, boundaries and ways to deal with antisocial behaviour.	
	(6) Cabinet noted the resourcing commitment to implement the interim plan and endorse that the Assistant Director of Housing is asked temporarily to focus on the delivery of the plans, alongside the cross-party and multiagency Portsmouth City Rough Sleeping Partnership Group ("The Partnership Group") to implement the plans.	
	(7) Cabinet recognised that the potential cost of the interim plan is circa. £2.5m and that the Council are working with MHCLG to prepare a bid to the national fund made available for this purpose amounting to £105m, in the event that there remains a shortfall between estimated costs and funding identified, a further report will be prepared for Cabinet to consider prior to entering into any additional financial commitment.	
	 (8) Cabinet therefore delegated authority to the Assistant Director of Housing, working with the S151 Officer, to submit a bid for the funding to support emergency, interim and long-term accommodation through the mechanism identified in the letter from MHCLG on 24th June 2020 (Appendix 3). (9) Cabinet agreed the following as principles 	
	for the long-term plan:	
	i. All those in the interim accommodation to be supported to find move on accommodation and given the opportunity not to return to rough sleeping. ii. Accommodation first, not accommodation only approach, with support levels tailored to individuals. iii. Developing the accommodation.	
	iii. Developing the accommodation and support model to provide	

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	learning and work opportunities. iv. A range of accommodation and support ideally located in Portsmouth, based on Government's desire to build, buy and rent homes. v. A financially sustainable model. vi. An approach that provides accommodation and support into sustainable housing but also supports the prevention of homelessness and those who remain on the streets. vii. Evidenced based using all the learning and data available to create solutions.	
	(10) Cabinet agreed to ask Government to help it overcome key barriers that may impact on the long term plan, including:	
	 i. Automatically paying Universal Credit to landlords taking part ii. Making sure payments cover the full cost of rent or Local Housing Allowance, whichever is higher iii. Suspend the rule that means under-35s claim at a single room rate iv. Work with the City Council to devise plans to help future rough sleepers and to prevent homelessness v. Assist in helping the city house those on the waiting list and the homeless the City Council has statutory duties towards. 	
	(11) Cabinet requested the Portsmouth City Rough Sleeping Partnership Group to develop the long term plan, based on these principles, as outlined in the report.	
	(12) Cabinet approved that this report forms the basis of the jointly produced plan with MHCLG for exiting the current approach both in the interim and long-term.	
13	Covid-19 - road to recovery and plans for the future	Paddy May, Corporate

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		DECISIONS: Cabinet:	Strategy Manager For Chief Executive
		(1) Expressed its condolences to those that have lost loved ones, and its huge appreciation to the many agencies and individuals that have responded so selflessly and effectively to the Covid-19 pandemic.	
		(2) Agreed the process for developing the Vision for the City and alignment with its own priorities, outlined in Section 5 of the report.	
14		Financial Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic	Chris Ward, Director of
		1) The financial strategy described in Section 8 of the report was approved	Finance & Resources (S151 Officer)
		2) A further report be brought to a future meeting of the Cabinet to propose a detailed plan for placing certain Capital Spending plans "on hold" which will remain "on hold" until the overall financial impact on the Council is known with reasonable certainty	
		3) Cabinet noted that the plan to place Capital Spending "on hold" is a plan only, and any cancellation of Capital Schemes would only be invoked in the event that the Council needs to respond to a forecast financial impact of the magnitude set out in this report.	
15		UK Municipal Bonds Agency Framework Agreement	Michael Lloyd, Directorate Finance Manager
		RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL: (a) That the Council enter into a framework agreement with the UK Municipal Bonds Agency;	(Technical & Financial Planning)
		(b) That the City Solicitor (Monitoring Officer) and the Director of Finance and Resources (Section 151 Officer) be given delegated authority to sign the	

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		Framework Agreement and the Certificate of Approval confirming that: (1) the Council has the power to enter into the Framework Agreement and to perform its obligations under it; (2) the Council has approved the entering into of the Framework Agreement and the proportional guarantee; (3) all the necessary authorisations have been obtained and decision making procedures followed and completed to enable the Council to enter into the Framework Agreement and the proportional guarantee. (As a Council decision this is not subject to call-in)	
16		Exclusion of Press and Public	
		DECISION: The confidentiality of Appendix A only of the report relating to the board composition of PCC companies was upheld.	
17		Board Composition of Portsmouth City Council Companies DECISIONS: The Cabinet agreed that: (1) The City Solicitor prepares and drafts a protocol (drawn from best practice and expert advice - referred to at Appendix A and Appendix D) approved by the Governance and Audit Committee as a reference and guide for the overall corporate governance structure (i.e. company structure and board composition) relating to PCC owned companies and incorporated within the PCC's constitution. (2) In accordance with the protocol at Appendix A, that the following be approved in respect of the Ravelin Group companies: (i) A shareholder committee is established and is responsible for the oversight of the Ravelin Group companies and all other future company subsidiaries (where relevant).	Sophie Mallon, Head of Commercial, Procurement & Regeneration, Legal Services

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	(ii) The Ravelin Group Shareholder Committee and draft terms of reference set out in detail in Appendix B are approved.	
	(iii) Following the approval of the establishment of the Ravelin Group shareholder committee the previous delegations as contained within the cabinet decision meeting dated 26 February 2019 shall cease and the shareholder committee shall become the sole body exercising the shareholder functions of Ravelin Group companies.	
	(iv) Any amendments to finalise the corporate structure of the Ravelin Group and all relevant subsidiaries required to maximise the tax efficiency of the Ravelin Group and any other PCC companies is delegated to the City Solicitor in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the S.151 Officer.	