

# **NOTICE OF MEETING**

# PORTCHESTER CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE MONDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2020 AT 2.00 PM VIRTUAL REMOTE MEETING

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## **Membership of the Joint Committee - 2020/21:**

Gosport Borough Council Fareham Borough Council

Councillor June Cully (Chairman) Councillor Keith Evans
Councillor Kathleen Jones Councillor Simon Martin

Havant Borough Council Portsmouth City Council

Councillor Leah Turner Councillor Dave Ashmore
Councillor Michael Wilson Councillor Lee Hunt (Vice Chairman)

#### AGENDA

### **Apologies for Absence**

1 Declarations of Members' Interests

- 2 Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 September 2020 (Pages 5 12)
- 3 Matters Arising from the Minutes not specifically referred to on the Agenda
- 4 Clerk's Items

The Clerk to the Joint Committee will report on any matters requiring attention.

5 Finance Strategy and Budget for 2021/22 (Pages 13 - 18)

The Finance Strategy was last approved by Members in December 2019, setting out the principles on which the strategy has been compiled, together with risks and other aspects of the financial management framework that the Crematorium operates in.

The attached report from the Treasurer encloses an updated Finance Strategy which provides a clear overview of the Joint Committee's financial framework and provides added assurance to the Joint Committee and to the constituent authorities that sound and effective arrangements are in place to manage the Crematorium's finances.

RECOMMENDED (1) that the Finance Strategy 2021/22, attached as Appendix A to the report, be approved;

- (2) that the Finance Strategy 2021/22 be sent to the four constituent authorities to note for their information.
- **Revenue Budget Report 2021/22** (Pages 19 30)

The purpose of the attached report from the Treasurer is to set out the revenue budget for 2020/21 and 2021/22, together with the repairs and renewals and capital fund contributions for 2020/21 and 2021/22 and a review of fees and charges for 2021/22. The current capital works programme for future years has also been included for information.

RECOMMENDED (a) That the capital works programme as detailed in Appendix D be approved;

- (b) That the Joint Committee approves the proposed cremation fees and other charges as set out in Appendices B & C from 1 April 2021;
- (c) That the proposed revenue account estimates as set out in Appendix A to the report be approved subject to the Joint Committee's decisions in respect of recommendations a & b above;

(d) That the Joint Committee considers writing to the Leader of each constituent authority to advise them of the annual payment to be received from the Portchester Crematorium Joint Committee in 2020/21 and 2021/22.

7 Portchester Crematorium Coronavirus Covid-19 Response - Autumn Update (Pages 31 - 34)

Report from the Clerk to the Joint Committee and the Manager and Registrar attached.

**8** Portchester Crematorium Risk Management (Pages 35 - 42)

The Risk Management Framework and Policy Statement for the Crematorium are subject to annual review. The purpose of the attached report from the Treasurer is to set out the updated documents for the Joint Committee's approval.

RECOMMENDED (1) that the Risk Management Strategic Framework and Policy as set out in Appendices A & B of the report be approved;

- (2) That the Risk Management progress report set out in Appendix C to the report be noted.
- 9 Building Works and Renewals Programme (Pages 43 44)

Report from the Property Manager attached.

- 10 Manager and Registrar's Report (Pages 45 46)
  - (a) General Report attached
  - (b) Any other items of topical interest

Recycling of Metals Charitable Scheme – To report the scheme has approved a donation to the Rowans Hospice.

11 Horticultural Consultant's Report - Grounds Maintenance (Pages 47 - 48)

Report from the Horticultural Consultant on grounds maintenance attached.

12 Date of Next Meeting - Monday 22 March 2021 at 2pm

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