

NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET

TUESDAY, 5 JANUARY 2021 AT 12.00 PM

VIRTUAL REMOTE MEETING

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Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE (Chair)

Councillor Steve Pitt (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Chris Attwell Councillor Darren Sanders
Councillor Dave Ashmore Councillor Lynne Stagg

Councillor Suzy Horton Councillor Matthew Winnington

Councillor Lee Hunt Councillor Hugh Mason

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

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AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Declarations of Interests
- Response to the Housing & Social Care Scrutiny Panel Review into Experiences gathered after the decant of residents from tower blocks (Pages 5 34)

Purpose

To set out the response of officers to the Housing & Social Care Scrutiny Panel's recommendations arising from a review of the experiences gathered after the decant of residents from Leamington House and Horatia House tower blocks.

RECOMMENDED

- That Cabinet thank the Panel for its work in undertaking the review
- 2) That Cabinet notes and supports the recommendations of the review, which are listed in section 4 of the report and the response of officers.
- 4 Home Energy Support Service (progress update from October) (Pages 35 68)

Purpose

To respond to the recommendations of the Cabinet paper of 6 October 2020.

RECOMMENDED

- 1) That the Cabinet agrees that the progress made in widening energy efficiency and renewable energy support is significant, and has the potential to make a positive difference to Portsmouth's climate emergency, when implemented in the way described within this paper.
- 2) That the Cabinet agrees that the initial installer engagement, and confirmation of securing significant grant funding, shows early promise that a sustainable low-carbon jobs and supply chain can be established and enhanced in the Portsmouth area over time.
- 3) That the Cabinet agrees that officers should continue to develop the business models detailed within the report; and that those services with a cost-neutral financial appraisal, and a clear benefit to the households' energy, be launched when practicable to do so.
- 4) That the Cabinet recognises that the domestic energy efficiency sector and funding landscape has shifted dramatically over a short period of time; and is expected to continue to do so. The Cabinet agrees that this lends itself to a graduated and modular approach to launching the services described in sections 5 to 9 of this paper; in order to minimise the risk associated with these uncertain market conditions.
- 5) That the Cabinet agrees that the high-level communication strategy, combined with tools such as the solar model, is appropriate to engage all households within the city with a clear, tailored message around energy efficiency and renewable energy.
- 6) That the Cabinet instructs officers to continue to explore potential external funding streams, given the changing policy landscape, to secure grants relevant to domestic energy efficiency and renewable generation.

- 7) That the Cabinet instructs officers to continue to explore the council's ability to provide low-cost loans; for the purposes of households wishing to make energy efficiency or renewable energy upgrades to their homes.
- 5 Coronavirus Civic Awards (Pages 69 84)

Purpose

To consider the proposal detailed in this report to award Coronavirus Civic Awards as part of the Annual General Meeting in 2021 to residents of the City who have contributed positively and significantly during the Coronavirus pandemic as per the Notice of Motion received at the July 2020 council meeting.

RECOMMENDED that

- 1) The Cabinet agree that the Lord Mayor presents the outstanding Civic Awards from 2019/2020 at the February 2021 Council Meeting.
- 2) The Cabinet agree to replace the annual Civic Awards with Coronavirus Civic Awards for 2020/2021 only, and that these awards will be presented as part of the Annual General Meeting in 2021.
- 3) The Cabinet agrees that at least one of the Coronavirus Civic Awards will be awarded to a young person (up to the age of 19).
- 4) The Cabinet agrees the award criteria and process as detailed in this report.
- **6 City Vision** (Pages 85 92)

Purpose

- 1) To update Cabinet on the Imagine Portsmouth 2040 project to engage residents, businesses, organisations and communities in the creation of a new vision for the future of the city.
- 2) To seek Cabinet approval for the formal adoption of the new vision for the future of Portsmouth by the city council, enabling the vision to act as an over-arching guide to the council in setting its priorities and strategies, and establishing projects and programmes.

RECOMMENDED that Cabinet formally adopt the new vision for Portsmouth in 2040.