



# Agenda & minutes

Full Council meeting of  
Wednesday, 13 October 2021



# *Portsmouth City Council*

An ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL will be held in the **Main Auditorium** of the Guildhall, Portsmouth on **Wednesday 13 October 2021** at 2.00 pm and all members of the council are hereby summoned to attend to consider and resolve upon the business detailed from agenda 1 onwards:-

## **PLEASE NOTE AGREED CHANGE OF DATE**

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  - If symptomatic you must not attend and self-isolate following the stay at home guidance issued by Public Health England.
  - All attendees are required to wear a face covering while moving around within the Guildhall (requirement of the venue).
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  - Those not participating in the meeting and wish to view proceedings are encouraged to do so remotely via the livestream link.
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# *Agenda*

- 1 Declaration of Members' Interests**
- 2 To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on 18 May 2021 and the abandoned Council meeting held on 19 July 2021 (Pages 15 - 34)**
- 3 To receive such communications as the Lord Mayor may desire to lay before the Council, including apologies for absence**
- 4 Deputations from the Public under Standing Order No 24**

**Deputations by members of the public may be made on any item where a decision is going to be taken (those previously submitted for the abandoned July Council meeting will automatically be carried forward to this meeting). The request should be made in writing to the contact officer ([stewart.agland@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:stewart.agland@portsmouthcc.gov.uk)) by 12 noon of the working day before the meeting (so Tuesday 12 October for this meeting), and must include the purpose of the deputation (for example, for or against the recommendations). Email requests are accepted**

**5 Questions from the Public under Standing Order 25 (see attached) (1 carried forward) (Pages 35 - 38)**

**6 Appointments**

**7 Urgent Business - To receive and consider any urgent and important business from Members of the Cabinet in accordance with Standing Order No 26**

**8 Local Transport Plan 4 Adoption (Pages 39 - 40)**

To receive and consider the attached report and recommendations from Cabinet held on 22 June 2021. Please note that the full Cabinet report is included within the Supplementary Matters document.

**9 Portsmouth International Port Harbour Revision Order (Pages 41 - 42)**

To receive and consider the attached report and recommendations from Cabinet held on 22 June 2021. Please note that the full Cabinet report is included within the Supplementary Matters document.

**10 Modern Slavery Transparency Statement (Pages 43 - 44)**

To receive and consider the attached report and recommendations to note for information only from Cabinet held on 22 June 2021. Please note that the full Cabinet report is included within the Supplementary Matters document.

**11 Review of Political Proportionality on Committees and Panels (Pages 45 - 48)**

To consider the attached report of the Chief Executive.

#### **Notices of Motion: Process information**

Following the Full Council meeting of 21 July 2020, the Council agreed to change Standing Order (32(d)), meaning all Notices of Motion on the agenda will automatically be dealt with at this meeting, thereby dispensing with a three-minute presentation from the proposer and subsequent vote to enable its consideration. **Note motions a-i inclusive have been carried forward from the July Council meeting.**

**12 Notices of Motion**

**(a) Pesticide Use - Portsmouth City Council**

Proposed by Councillor Jeanette Smith  
Seconded by Councillor Claire Udy

At last count, 38 different toxic pesticides were being used in UK towns and cities. They are sprayed in parks, playgrounds and other green spaces, road verges, pavements and around shopping centres, hospitals and schools. Almost all of the pesticides used are weed killers designed to do nothing more than keep places looking 'neat and tidy'.

These chemicals are linked to an array of [health problems](#) including cancer, asthma, birth defects and reproductive issues. Vulnerable groups such as [children](#), pregnant mothers and the elderly are particularly at risk.

Wildlife such as bees, birds and hedgehogs are increasingly seeking refuge in our towns and cities. However, the overuse of pesticides in urban areas is contaminating the natural resources that they depend upon. Our pets can also be susceptible to pesticide poisoning.

But urban pesticide use is unnecessary. There are many viable and cost-effective [non-chemical alternatives](#) available and more than [60 towns and cities across the UK](#) have already taken action to end or significantly reduce their pesticide use.

This council calls on the administration to immediately ban the use of all forms of pesticides used on all areas of land under the authorities' control and change to non-chemical alternatives including planting urban wildflower meadows.

(b) **Time to pause and rethink the Tipner West project**

Proposed by Councillor Cal Corkery  
Seconded by Councillor Judith Smyth

Increasing numbers of local people are raising concerns about the Liberal Democrat administration's plans for Tipner. The council has already spent over £10m of taxpayer cash drawing up plans which would see the creation of a 'super-peninsula' through large scale land reclamation at Tipner West.

We share the concerns of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust (HIWWT) and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) who are opposing the destruction of the intertidal mudflats that are legally protected as sites of scientific and environmental importance. Over 23,000 people have signed their petition calling for the proposals not to go ahead but the council doesn't seem to be listening.

Not only would the plans cause unacceptable damage to the local environment and wildlife, we are also concerned the kind of development being pursued is not what our city needs. Despite most of the Tipner West site being publicly owned land the current

proposals include just 30% affordable housing meaning the majority of new properties on the site will be expensive luxury homes out of reach of many local people.

The council has already spent some £10.8 million on the Tipner regeneration proposals and expects to incur another £7.5 million getting it to the stage of applying for planning permission (figures correct as of report to Cabinet in October 2020).

Members of the Liberal Democrat Cabinet have themselves expressed concerns about being able to secure permission for their current proposals but are still prepared to gamble £18.3 million of public money on something that may well not go ahead.

Several important stakeholders including the HIWWT, the RSPB, The Portsmouth Society, heritage groups and others are against the current proposal and are asking for more extensive and effective consultation. This wider community engagement remit should include exploration of alternative proposals and options for developing the site.

It's time to pause and rethink the Tipner West project to ensure value for money is achieved, the environment is protected and the maximum possible levels of affordable housing are delivered.

Full Council therefore calls on the Cabinet to bring a report on the Tipner West project to a future Full Council meeting as a matter of urgency. This report should update councillors and members of the public on the current status of the project, including total spend to date. This report must also include consideration of viable alternative options for the site and set out a timeline for further decisions to be made in advance of the draft local plan being published and consulted on.

(c) **Parking for domiciliary care workers when working in Portsmouth**

Proposed by Councillor Simon Bosher  
Seconded by Councillor Lewis Gosling

Finding a parking space has long been challenging in many areas of Portsmouth. Lockdown and the rise of homeworking is making this situation worse as fewer people are away at work during the day.

Domiciliary care workers have a crucial role in keeping people safe and well. As well as being a good thing in itself, this also helps reduce unnecessary hospital admissions. Yet despite the importance of this role, it is not well paid, with take home pay levels typically being around the National Living Wage.

A large proportion of care is being procured and/or funded by the council and it therefore has a powerful incentive to support the

workforce. Yet parking fines are a routine hazard faced by carers.

Many carers struggle to find parking spaces, particularly in residents' zones. They often have to return to the same zone within the no-return period and often cannot find spaces. Violations result in fines and this soon becomes expensive.

Many local authorities have created carers' parking permits. Brighton, Southampton, Devon and many London boroughs all run schemes to assist carers with parking when at work.

Council believes such a scheme should be created in Portsmouth. It calls on the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation to take action and to create a scheme, bringing forward a decision report to the next Traffic and Transportation decision meeting. Council also asks that all members are kept updated on the implementation on any actions agreed.

(d) **Supporting a ban on conversion therapy**

Proposed by Councillor Stuart Brown  
Seconded by Councillor Claire Udy

This Council opposes the harm caused to our LGBT+ community in the past through the denial of rights and equal treatment and further recognises that discrimination does still occur today.

This Council recognises and opposes the ongoing harm the practise of so-called conversion therapy causes to LGBT+ people.

This Council calls on the Government to follow through on the promises made, not just in this year's Queen's Speech, but for the past three years, to ban the practise of so-called conversion therapy.

This Council calls on the Relevant Government Department & Minister to introduce an effective ban on conversion therapy within England, supported by a programme of work to help tackle these practices in all their forms.

Furthermore this Council asks Cabinet to highlight and promote the continued support, counselling and advocacy our local groups provide to members of the LGBT+ Community here in Portsmouth, recognising the excellent work done by local people and such as Portsmouth Pride, The 4U Youth Group, and our LGBTQ+ Champions, and extends it's thanks and support to them.

(e) **Tackling cyber-bullying**

Proposed by Councillor Hannah Hockaday  
Seconded by Councillor Daniel Wemyss

The council notes and commends the progress made in increasing the awareness of cyberbullying, the negative and detrimental

mental health implications that can occur as a result, as well as the embedding within the school curriculum and within the community.

The council supports the further accountability demanded upon social media companies by the government online safety bill and commends the Hampshire Police and Crime Commissioners new programme designed to help secondary pupils stay safe online.

However, more legislative measures must be encouraged and brought forward in order to deter cyberbullying and protect against instances such as hate crime and the negative impact on mental health. The wide-scale ability to share non-factual information on social media about individuals, young people and local businesses is abhorrent. Social media firms should be further held to account.

Therefore, the council requests that the Chief Executive and all leaders of political groups write to the Secretary of State and Ministers for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport as well as the Hampshire Police and Crime Commissioner to further lobby and investigate increased legislative measures to mitigate the possible decline in any individual's mental health (including businesses) and quality of life due to cyberbullying and misinformation.

The council also calls on the administration for a local campaign to promote positivity online in Portsmouth; which in turn will promote businesses, our young people and sustain positive messages within our city and the wider community.

Council also places on record its thanks to city MP's Stephen Morgan and The Rt Hon Penny Mordaunt for their work in Parliament around tackling cyber-bullying.

(f) **Bodmin Green**

Proposed by Councillor Jo Hooper  
Seconded by Councillor Gemma New

The proposed Bodmin Green echelon parking scheme in Paulsgrove, will provide an essential resource to local residents and the Victory Primary School. The project was originally conceived in the years 2011 and 2012, and is well remembered by former Councillors and residents alike, who now welcome the implementation of this much needed, and previously anticipated facility.

Unfortunately the programme stalled in the past, but the Council have now been approached by residents, former cross party Councillors and the Victory Primary School to address the issue of the lost facility

The Council should be reassured that a considerable amount of work has already been committed to the design of the scheme, which will benefit both residents and the school, where the pick up



and drop off of pupils can be problematic on the busy thoroughfare that is Allaway Avenue.

Multiple meetings have now taken place on site and within the civic offices, and the scheme has been fully designed and costed. Officers have confirmed that the funding is available.

Housing Officers have also been fully engaged on this project, as the Council department in ownership of the land. It is envisaged that they will manage the car park with multi use echelon parking in mind, ensuring that both residents and the school have fair and equitable usage to best suit their needs. Matters will also be subject to resident consultation in order to ensure harmonious usage is provided and maintained, which takes the bespoke needs of multiple users into account.

Thank you to the multiple officers involved across regeneration and housing for all of their hard work and vision in regard to this project. It must also be stipulated that the engineer's design is a thoughtful undertaking that both respects the green credentials of the site, allowing the vast majority of leisure space to remain, whilst etching the echelon parking to the northern and western boundaries of Bodmin Green. Thank you as well to the staff from the housing department for responding to engineers' requests for meetings to discuss this crucial provision.

Along with Penny Mordaunt MP's compelling, sensible and ultimately 'green' aspirations to reopen the halt station in Paulsgrove, this project provides a pragmatic response to trying to manage parking in the ward of the City that is the most geographically remote, as well as assisting a local school. The need is obvious and essential.

This Council requests that the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation bring forward a report outlining the timescale for approval and implementation of the scheme.

(g) **House Building Target**

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor Hugh Mason

The City Council recognises that the Government have imposed a house building target of 17,000 new houses to be built in the city over the next 20 years.

The City Council rejects this for the following reasons:

1. The decision on housing need in Portsmouth should be made by local people in Portsmouth and not imposed by Government since local people understand the opportunities, constraints and complexities of the City environment. Both Conservative and Labour led Governments have imposed

house building targets and both were wrong.

2. The target of 17,000 is too many. Portsmouth is an island with virtually no unprotected land to expand into. Our roads, hospital, schools, GPs and other services just can't cope with this amount of additional housing.
3. There is a need for more affordable housing, but the Government will not allow the City Council to make developers build the housing that is needed by local people. In fact Government rules in many cases allow developers to avoid building any affordable housing whilst holding on to large profit margins.
4. The Government target of over 17,000 additional homes cannot be achieved within the City of Portsmouth even if it proves possible to meet the stringent ecological and environmental regulations and develop the Tipner-Horsea Island area. It would be wholly wrong for the Government to require the Council to cause environmental harm by over-riding environmental protection legislation

The City Council therefore asked the Leader of the Council to write to the Government opposing plans for 17,000 new houses being imposed on Portsmouth, reiterates that the decision on the amount and sort of housing should be a local decision and asking for a lower target so environmentally sensitive areas are not forced into development by the Government.

(h) **Permanent Closure of Eastney Swimming Pool**

Proposed by Councillor John Smith  
Seconded by Councillor Matthew Atkins

The Council regrets the closure of Eastney Swimming Pool.

(i) **Biodiversity enhancement in urban Portsmouth**

Proposed by Councillor George Fielding  
Seconded by Councillor Charlotte Gerada

Council notes:

- Nature is declining globally at rates unprecedented in human history. The dramatic decrease in biodiversity across the world is both caused by, and is also contributing to, the acceleration of the climate crisis.
- At present, Portsmouth City Council mows grass verges, de-weeds pavements and sends 'Dirty Plot Notices' to residents who re-wild sections of their allotments. This is despite environmental charities recommending that a proportion of allotments should be re-wilded to support biodiversity and local ecosystems.

- Whilst we are aware of the policies being developed as part of the new Local Plan, we want to accelerate implementation of a better approach to biodiversity now rather than waiting for 18 months or more to do so. When it comes to green issues, the Labour Party want more to be done and action to be quicker.

Council believes:

- As part of the Council's strategy to address the climate crisis, measures to enhance biodiversity should be central. Small actions taken by residents and the Council can increase the cumulative, positive impacts of re-wilding.
- Local Authorities in the UK, and abroad, have taken a variety of measures to enhance biodiversity, such as re-wilding the tops of bus shelters or on council buildings, extensively planting wildflowers and greening built-up city areas. These are examples but the scope is virtually unlimited to make a significant impact to local biodiversity and by corollary have a direct effect upon our local environs and climate change.
- This Council should use its considerable influence and leadership to inform residents about the importance of enhancing biodiversity, by re-wilding for example. Additionally the Council is asked to take such steps as are necessary to make usage of householders' areas greener and more impactful thereby supporting biodiversity- eg strategies for removal of green waste, composting, hedging etc.

Council resolves:

- To request that the Cabinet reviews and updates all relevant policies and practices on urban biodiversity that might harm or undermine local ecosystems, such as reviewing grass cutting across the city and allowing some re-wilding on allotment plots to improve habitats for insects, including bees. In general, approaches should aim to positively contribute to re-wilding and support other approaches to re "greening" Portsmouth.
- To request that the Leader of the Council provides bi-monthly updates to Members on the progress of this initiative.

(j) **Universal Credit**

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor Suzy Horton

The City Council recognises the work the Government put in place

to support families during the pandemic with the furlough scheme and the £20 uplift in Universal Credit.

The Council also recognises the work the City Council did to step in where Government funding ceased so that families with children receiving free school meals did get support in school holidays and half terms.

The Council wishes to place on record thanks to the City's Tackling Poverty Co-ordinator, the many local groups or organisations like the Hive and all the volunteers who worked in food banks and pantries across the city who worked so hard to support local families, along with support from both of the city MPs.

The Council opposes the Government's choice to end the £20 uplift in Universal Credit payments to families on the lowest incomes. This seems bizarre when those families face rising bills due to the energy crisis and the same Government's decision to use National Insurance - not income or wealth taxes - for the NHS and social care and end furlough.

Therefore, the Council asks the Leader of the Council and all Group Leaders write jointly to the Prime Minister and our local MPs to ask for a change in Government policy so the poorest families are able to survive.

(k) **Aquind decision - Potential for Judicial Review**

Proposed by Councillor Graham Heaney  
Seconded by Councillor Judith Smyth

The Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy is due to make a decision on an application by Aquind for the development of an interconnector through Portsmouth by 21 October.

All parties on the City Council have opposed this application as have the two local members of Parliament and there has been a significant public campaign against the proposals.

A public petition by the Member of Parliament for Portsmouth South has been presented to the House of Commons with over 6,200 signatures. The City Council has presented a strong case to the Planning Inspector arguing for the rejection of this proposal.

While we hope the Secretary of State will reject this proposal he may not do so. In this case Council therefore urges the Cabinet to demonstrate the city's community leadership in this vital campaign by:

- instructing officers to undertake initial work now to lead the preparation for any judicial review
- setting aside the remaining allocated budget for legal advice

- and support to assist with any judicial review
- commit to pursuing further funding if necessary to support this action if it were to proceed with this.

(l) **Protecting Funds for Children and Education in Portsmouth**

Proposed by Councillor Terry Norton  
Seconded by Councillor Benedict Swann

The Council regrets that the Administration failed to ring-fence a large underspend in the Children Education and Families portfolio budget.

- 13 To determine proposed revisions to the programme of Full Council meetings for the Remainder of the current Municipal year to enable these meetings to be held in the Guildhall Auditorium, commencing 2pm (except for Annual Council which commences at 10am)**
- November Meeting** - Reschedule from Tuesday 9 November to **Thursday 18 November 2021**
- December Meeting** - Reschedule from Tuesday 7 December to **Monday 13 December 2021**
- January Reserve Council meeting currently scheduled for 18 January 2022 (no change)** (usually cancelled if a meeting in December is held)
- February Meeting** - Reschedule from Tuesday 15 February to **Tuesday 1 February 2022**
- March Meeting** - **Currently Scheduled for Tuesday 15 March 2022 (no change)**
- May Meeting** - **Annual Council Meeting currently scheduled for Tuesday 17 May 2022 (no change)**
- Note: The Lord Mayor has confirmed his availability on these dates and Group Leaders have been notified in advance of the proposed revised dates.**

- 14 Questions from Members under Standing Order No 17 (those previously submitted for the abandoned July Council meeting have been carried forward to this meeting (1-10) - others subsequently received have also been included) (Pages 49 - 52)**

David Williams  
Chief Executive

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Civic Offices  
Guildhall Square  
PORTSMOUTH  
5 October 2021

# Agenda Item 2

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL held at the Guildhall, Portsmouth on Tuesday 18 May 2021 at 10.00 am.

## Council Members Present

The Right Worshipful The Lord Mayor  
Councillor Rob Wood (in the Chair)

## Councillors

Dave Ashmore	Frank Jonas BEM
Matthew Atkins	Leo Madden
Chris Attwell	George Madgwick
Kimberly Barrett	Hugh Mason
Simon Boshier	Lee Mason
Ryan Brent	Kirsty Mellor
Stuart Brown	Robert New
Tom Coles	Terry Norton
Cal Corkery	Scott Payter-Harris
Ben Dowling	Darren Sanders
Jason Fazackarley	Jeanette Smith
George Fielding	John Smith
Charlotte Gerada	Judith Smyth
Lewis Gosling	Lynne Stagg
Graham Heaney	Luke Stubbs
Hannah Hockaday	Benedict Swann
Ian Holder	Linda Symes
Jo Hooper	Claire Udy
Suzu Horton	Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE
Lee Hunt	Daniel Wemyss

The Lord Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting. The format of the meeting had been adapted to comply with Covid safety guidance.

The group leaders introduced the new members: Charlotte Gerada, John Smith, Stuart Brown, Daniel Wemyss, Kimberly Barrett, George Madgwick, Ian Holder, Kirsty Mellor and Lewis Gosling. In addition Ryan Brent who had re-elected after a break in office.

### **25. Vote of Thanks to Retiring Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress**

It was

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor Matthew Atkins

That a vote of thanks be given to the retiring Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress.

**It was RESOLVED unanimously that the council places on record its sincere thanks to Councillor Rob Wood and Mrs Debra Wood for their**

**outstanding service to the city as Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress during their year of office.**

**That the Council expresses its great appreciation of the fine qualities which Councillor Rob Wood has brought to the conduct of the business of this Council, his devotion to duty and the distinction and goodwill with which he carried out the many and various duties of the office of Lord Mayor.**

**That the Council also places on record its gratitude to Mrs Debra Wood for her untiring support and help which she has given as Lady Mayoress to the Lord Mayor.**

**That this resolution be engrossed and be presented to Councillor Rob Wood and Mrs Debra Wood at this ceremony.**

The retiring Lord Mayor was presented with the Council's gift of an engrossed scroll which signifies the Council's appreciation of his time in office.

## **26. Election of the Lord Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year**

Councillor Simon Boshier nominated Councillor Frank Jonas for election to the Office of Lord Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year. The nomination was seconded by Councillor Scott Payter-Harris.

There being no other nominations, the Lord Mayor put the proposal which was CARRIED unanimously and he declared Councillor Frank Jonas duly elected Lord Mayor.

Councillor Jonas donned the Lord Mayor's hat.

## **27. New Lord Mayor takes the Chair**

Councillor Frank Jonas took the chair and thereupon made and subscribed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office witnessed by the City Solicitor.

## **28. The Lord Mayor returns thanks to the Council**

The Lord Mayor thanked members of the Council for his election and spoke about his charitable appeal, the Portsmouth Hive.

## **29. Investiture of the New Lady Mayoress**

Mrs Joyce Maddox, the new Lady Mayoress, signed a document of office witnessed by the City Solicitor.

## **30. Appointment of the Deputy Lord Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year**

Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson nominated Councillor Rob Wood as the Deputy Lord Mayor for the ensuing municipal year. This nomination was seconded by Councillor Matthew Atkins.



There being no other nominations, the Lord Mayor put the proposal, which was CARRIED unanimously and he declared Councillor Rob Wood duly elected as the Deputy Lord Mayor and he made and subscribed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. This was witnessed by the City Solicitor. The Chief Executive announced that Councillor Rob Wood would be supported by his Deputy Lady Mayoress, Mrs Debra Wood. The Deputy Lady Mayoress then made and subscribed a document undertaking to support the Deputy Lord Mayor in carrying out his official duties which was witnessed by the City Solicitor.

**31. Appointment of Chaplains to the City Council**

The Dean of Portsmouth, the Very Reverend Anthony Cane, and Reverend Tracey Ansell were appointed as Chaplains to the City Council.

**32. Announcement and presentation of Civic Awards and Youth Civic Award**

The Lord Mayor announced that Civic Award recipients this year were: Asghar Shah, Fiona Loew, St. Margaret's Community Church Foodbank, Jackie Peters, Jeanette Warren, the Mortuary Team at Queen Alexandra Hospital, the Duke of Buckingham pub, Tina Moth, Pompey in the Community.

The Youth Civic Award was awarded to Jordan O'Sullivan.

This year the awards focussed on those who have significantly contributed to the city during the Coronavirus pandemic.

The meeting adjourned at 11 am, to be reconvened at 11.20 am.

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Lord Mayor

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL (reconvened)  
held at the Guildhall, Portsmouth on Tuesday, 18 May 2021 at 11.20 am

**Council Members Present**

The Right Worshipful The Lord Mayor  
Councillor Frank Jonas BEM (in the Chair)

Councillors

Dave Ashmore	Leo Madden
Matthew Atkins	George Madgwick
Chris Attwell	Hugh Mason
Kimberly Barrett	Lee Mason
Simon Boshier	Kirsty Mellor
Ryan Brent	Robert New
Stuart Brown	Terry Norton
Tom Coles	Scott Payter-Harris
Cal Corkery	Darren Sanders
Ben Dowling	Jeanette Smith
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George Fielding	Judith Smyth
Charlotte Gerada	Lynne Stagg
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Graham Heaney	Benedict Swann
Hannah Hockaday	Linda Symes
Ian Holder	Claire Udy
Jo Hooper	Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE
Suzy Horton	Daniel Wemyss
Lee Hunt	Rob Wood

**33. Declaration of Members' Interests**

There were no declarations of members' interests.

**34. Minutes of the Ordinary and Extraordinary Council meetings held on 16 March 2021**

It was

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor Matthew Atkins

That the minutes of the Ordinary and Extraordinary Council meetings held on 16 March 2021 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the Ordinary and Extraordinary Council meetings held on 21 March 2021 be confirmed and signed as correct records.**

### **35. Communications and apologies for absence**

The Lord Mayor advised that apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Gemma New.

The Lord Mayor referred to the sad death last month of former Portsmouth North MP and Freeman of the City of Portsmouth, Frank Judd, Baron Judd of Portsea. He said that our thoughts are with his family at this sad time.

The Lord Mayor had been informed of the following appointments: Councillor Matthew Atkins as Leader of the Conservative Group; Councillor Ryan Brent as Deputy Leader of the Conservative Group; Councillor Suzy Horton as Deputy Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group.

### **36. Deputations from the Public under Standing Order No 24**

The Lord Mayor advised that there were no deputations.

### **37. Leader of the City Council**

Under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, the current leader of the City Council will remain in office until May 2023 unless

- a) they resign from office
- b) they are no longer a councillor
- c) they are removed from office by resolution of the Council.

The Lord Mayor advised that he had been notified of Councillor Atkin's intention to submit and move a written Notice of Motion of no confidence in the Council Leader and that in order for it to be put, Standing Order 32 would need to be suspended in respect of notice.

It was proposed and seconded that Standing Order 32 in respect of notice be suspended.

Upon being put to the vote this vote to suspend was past.

**RESOLVED that Standing Order 32 in respect of notice be suspended.**

Consequently it was -

Proposed by Councillor Matthew Atkins  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan Brent

That under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 the current City Council Leader, Councillor Vernon-Jackson, be removed with immediate effect from the Office of Leader of the City Council.

Upon being put to the vote, a majority voted against the motion.

**RESOLVED that the notice of motion is lost**

Note - Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson continues as Leader of the City Council accordingly.

- 38. In accordance with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, to receive details from the Leader of the Council regarding Cabinet members (including Deputy Leader) and portfolios for the ensuing Municipal Year.**

The Lord Mayor explained that the Council Leader is empowered to determine the number of councillors on the Cabinet and decide portfolios and portfolio remits and to select one of the appointed members to the position of Deputy Leader. The Leader announced his Cabinet; the details of the Cabinet (with opposition spokespersons provided by the respective Group Leaders) (attached to these minutes as Appendix 1).

Note the membership of the Health & Wellbeing Board, which is in the gift of the Leader, would be published subsequently.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That Council noted the 10 portfolios (including the Leader) for the ensuing municipal year as set out in Appendix 1 attached to these minutes;**

- 39. Proportional Representation on Panels and Committees**

The Lord Mayor proposed and the Council agreed to take agenda items 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 together regarding proportional representation on committees and panels and consequent appointment of members and standing deputies, chairs and vice-chairs and other appointments.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor Matthew Atkins

To adopt the overall political balance and allocation of seats schedule circulated in the Auditorium and to agree the membership of committees and panels, standing deputies, chairs and vice-chairs of committees and panels, including appointments and other appointments.

Upon being put to the vote (including five contested positions) the Council agreed all the appointments as detailed below.

	Group Strength	# total Seats	Licensing	Plan	Reg./ Scrutiny	SMP
Conservative	16	29	6	4	16	3
Liberal Democrat	15	27	5	4	15	3
Labour	7	13	2	2	7	2
Progressive Portsmouth People Group	2	3	1	0	2	0
Non-Aligned Independent Linda Symes	1	2	0	0	1	1
Non-Aligned Independent George Madgwick	1	2	1	0	1	0
	<b>42</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>9</b>

**RESOLVED (1) the total number of seats on committees and panels be divided among the political groups and individual members as applicable in accordance with Table 1 above.**

**RESOLVED (2) that any other bodies subject to the political proportionality rules be appointed in accordance with the proportions shown in Table 1.**

**RESOLVED (3) that the following committees and panels be appointed with the membership as shown together with the standing deputies and chairs and vice-chairs where appropriate as indicated.**

#### **Licensing Committee**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nominations for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat		Jason Fazackarley
2. Liberal Democrat		Ian Holder
3. Liberal Democrat		David Ashmore
4. Liberal Democrat		Stuart Brown
5. Liberal Democrat		Kimberly Barrett
6. Conservative	Vice-Chair	Scott Payter-Harris
7. Conservative		Lee Mason
8. Conservative		Benedict Swann
9. Conservative		Hannah Hockaday

10. Conservative		Daniel Wemyss
11. Conservative		Robert New
12. Labour		Tom Coles
13. Labour		Charlotte Gerada
14. Progressive Portsmouth People	Chair	Claire Udy
15. Independent		George Madgwick
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Leo Madden
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Darren Sanders
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Chris Attwell
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Gemma New
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Matthew Atkins
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	John Smith
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	George Fielding
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Cal Corkery
<i>PPPG</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

### Planning Committee

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nomination for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat	Chair	Lee Hunt
2. Liberal Democrat	Vice Chair	Chris Attwell
3. Liberal Democrat		Lynne Stagg
4. Liberal Democrat		G Vernon-Jackson
5. Conservative		Matthew Atkins
6. Conservative		John Smith
7. Conservative		Robert New
8. Conservative		Jo Hooper
9. Labour		George Fielding
10. Labour		Judith Smyth
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Darren Sanders
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Rob Wood
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Dave Ashmore

<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Kimberly Barrett
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Scott Payter-Harris
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Luke Stubbs
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Terry Norton
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Cal Corkery
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Kirsty Mellor
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

### Scrutiny Management Panel

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nomination for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat		Stuart Brown
2. Liberal Democrat		Leo Madden
3. Liberal Democrat		Rob Wood
4. Conservative	Chair	Simon Boshier
5. Conservative		Scott Payer-Harris
6. Conservative		Jo Hooper
7. Labour		Graham Heaney
8. Labour		George Fielding
9. Independent		Linda Symes
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Ian Holder
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Lee Hunt
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Daniel Wemyss
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Matthew Atkins
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	<i>Cal Corkery</i>
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	<i>Judith Smyth</i>
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	



## Governance & Audit & Standards Committee

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nomination for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat	Chair	Leo Madden
2. Liberal Democrat		Stuart Brown
3. Conservative	Vice-Chair	Simon Boshier
4. Conservative		Daniel Wemyss
5. Labour		Charlotte Gerada
6. Liberal Democrat		Lee Hunt
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Rob Wood
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Ryan Brent
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	John Smith
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Lewis Gosling
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	<i>Graham Heaney</i>
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

## Employment Committee

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nomination for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat	Chair	Gerald Vernon-Jackson
2. Liberal Democrat		Darren Sanders
3. Conservative	Vice-Chair	Matthew Atkins
4. Conservative		Lewis Gosling
5. Labour		Cal Corkery
6. Progressive Portsmouth People		Jeanette Smith
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Suzy Horton
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Ben Dowling
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Ryan Brent
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Gemma New
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	<i>George Fielding</i>
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

### Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nomination for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat	Chair	Ian Holder
2. Liberal Democrat		Rob Wood
3. Conservative	Vice-Chair	Lee Mason
4. Conservative		Matthew Atkins
5. Labour		Judith Smyth
6. PPPG		<b>Vacancy</b>
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Lee Hunt
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Stuart Brown
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Ryan Brent
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Gemma New
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Kirsty Mellor
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

### Economic Development, Culture & Leisure Scrutiny Panel

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nomination for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat		Leo Madden
2. Liberal Democrat		Rob Wood
3. Conservative	Vice-Chair	Hannah Hockaday
4. Conservative		Gemma New
5. Labour	Chair	George Fielding
6. Independent		George Madgwick
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Lee Hunt

<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Ian Holder
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Benedict Swann
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Robert New
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Judith Smyth
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

### Education, Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nomination for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat		Ian Holder
2. Liberal Democrat		Rob Wood
3. Conservative	Chair	Ryan Brent
4. Conservative		Hannah Hockaday
5. Labour		Tom Coles
6. Conservative		Terry Norton
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Leo Madden
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Lee Hunt
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Scott Payter-Harris
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	<i>Cal Corkery</i>
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

### Housing and Social Care Scrutiny Panel

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nomination for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat		Lee Hunt
2. Liberal Democrat		Stuart Brown
3. Conservative		Robert New
4. Conservative		Gemma New

5. Labour	Chair	Cal Corkery
6. Independent		Linda Symes
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Rob Wood
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Ian Holder
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Matthew Atkins
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Lewis Gosling
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Scott Payter-Harris
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	<i>Tom Coles</i>
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

### Traffic, Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny

<b>Group</b>	<b>Position for 2021-22</b>	<b>Nomination for 2021-22</b>
1. Liberal Democrat		Leo Madden
2. Liberal Democrat		Stuart Brown
3. Conservative		Simon Bosher
4. Conservative		Jo Hooper
5. Conservative	Chair	Lee Mason
6. Labour		Charlotte Gerada
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Lee Hunt
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Rob Wood
<i>Liberal Democrat</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Ian Holder
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Ryan Brent
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Benedict Swann
<i>Conservative</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	Graham Heaney
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	
<i>Labour</i>	<i>Standing Deputy</i>	

### **RESOLVED (4) that the following appointments be made for 2021/2022 municipal year:**

Hampshire Fire & Rescue Authority (1 member) - Councillor Jason Fazackarley

Police and Crime Panel (1 member) - Councillor Dave Ashmore; Deputy - Cllr Kirsty Mellor

Local Government Association General Assembly (4 members)

Membership:

1. Councillor Lee Mason
2. Councillor George Fielding
3. Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson
4. Councillor Suzy Horton

(Portsmouth City Council has up to 5 votes on the LGA which are usually exercised by the party forming the City Council's political administration.)

Langstone Harbour Board (6 members)

Membership:

1. Councillor Graham Heaney
  2. Councillor Lee Mason
  3. Councillor Darren Sanders
  4. Councillor Robert New
  5. Councillor Jeanette Smith
  6. Councillor Kimberly Barrett
- with Standing Deputies Councillors Hugh Mason and Matthew Atkins.

Twinning Advisory Group

Membership:

1. Councillor Chris Attwell (Chair, Communities and Central Services Portfolio holder)
2. Councillor Frank Jonas (Vice-Chair, ex-officio Lord Mayor)
3. Councillor Leo Madden
4. Councillor Linda Symes
5. Councillor Tom Coles
6. Councillor Jason Fazackarley
7. Councillor Lee Mason

**40. To receive and consider any urgent and important business in accordance with Standing Order No 26.**

There was no urgent and important business.

**41. To approve the following dates for meetings of the Council during the 2021/2022 municipal year as required under Standing Order 6 and 10k, to commence at 2pm unless otherwise indicated**

It was

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson

Seconded by Councillor Matthew Atkins

That the dates and times for the Council meetings for the next municipal year (2021/2022) as set out in agenda item 16, be approved and that the provisional dates for the 2022/23 Council meetings also set out in agenda item 16, be agreed in principle, subject to later ratification.

Upon being put to the vote this was carried.

**RESOLVED (1) that the meetings of the Council be held on the following dates in the 2021/2022 municipal year to commence at 2 pm unless otherwise indicated:**

20 July 2021	18 January 2022 (provisional)
12 October 2021	15 February 2022
9 November 2021	15 March 2022
7 December 2021	17 May 2022 (Annual) (10:00am)

**RESOLVED (2) that the following provisional council meeting dates for 2022/2023 be agreed in principle subject to later ratification:**

19 July 2022	17 January 2023 (provisional)
11 October 2022	14 February 2023
8 November 2022	14 March 2023
6 December 2022	16 May 2023 (Annual) (10.00am)

The meeting concluded at 11.50 am.

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Lord Mayor

## Cabinet & Portfolios for 2021/2022

<b>Portfolio</b>	<b>Cabinet Member</b> (Councillor)	<b>Opposition Group Spokespersons</b> (Councillor)	
The Leader	Gerald Vernon-Jackson (Leader) (Liberal Democrat)	Matthew Atkins George Fielding Claire Udy	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPPG)
Children, Families & Education	Suzy Horton (Deputy Leader) (Liberal Democrat)	Terry Norton Judith Smyth Jeanette Smith	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPPG)
Climate Change and the Green Recovery	Kimberly Barrett (Liberal Democrat)	Robert New Charlotte Gerada Claire Udy	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPPG)
Culture, Leisure and Economic Development	Ben Dowling (Liberal Democrat)	Luke Stubbs Tom Coles Claire Udy	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPPG)
Community Safety & Environment	Dave Ashmore (Liberal Democrat)	Gemma New Kirsty Mellor	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPPG)
Health, Wellbeing & Social Care	Jason Fazackarley (Liberal Democrat)	Lewis Gosling Kirsty Mellor Jeanette Smith	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPP)
Housing and Preventing Homelessness	Darren Sanders (Liberal Democrat)	Scott Payter-Harris Cal Corkery	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPPG)
Planning Policy & City Development	Hugh Mason (Liberal Democrat)	Ryan Brent Judith Smyth	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPPG)
Communities and Central Services	Chris Attwell (Liberal Democrat)	Lee Mason George Fielding Jeanette Smith	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPPG)
Traffic and Transportation	Lynne Stagg (Liberal Democrat)	Simon Boshier Graham Heaney	(Conservative) (Labour) (PPPG)

PPPG = Progressive Portsmouth People Group

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL held at the Guildhall  
Portsmouth on Monday, 19 July 2021 at 2.00 pm

### **Council Members Present**

The Right Worshipful The Lord Mayor  
Councillor Frank Jonas BEM (in the Chair)

#### Councillors

Rob Wood	George Madgwick
Dave Ashmore	Hugh Mason
Kimberly Barrett	Lee Mason
Simon Bosher	Scott Payter-Harris
Ryan Brent	Gemma New
Stuart Brown	Robert New
Tom Coles	Darren Sanders
Cal Corkery	Jeanette Smith
Ben Dowling	John Smith
Jason Fazackarley	Lynne Stagg
George Fielding	Judith Smyth
Charlotte Gerada	Luke Stubbs
Lewis Gosling	Benedict Swann
Graham Heaney	Linda Symes
Ian Holder	Claire Udy
Suzy Horton	Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE
Lee Hunt	Daniel Wemyss
Leo Madden	

#### **42. Abandonment of Meeting**

In response to concerns raised by a number of members that there was the possibility that some members may have been in contact with a member who had tested positive following a lateral flow test, the Lord Mayor adjourned the meeting to enable the political groups to discuss amongst themselves whether they wished the meeting to proceed.

The meeting adjourned at 14:29

The meeting reconvened at 14:48

The Leader proposed a motion that the meeting be abandoned.

This proposal was duly seconded by Cllr Brent.

**RESOLVED that the meeting be abandoned at 14:53, with all the items of business carried forward to the next scheduled Full Council meeting.**

The meeting concluded at 2.53 pm.

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Lord Mayor



## Portsmouth CITY COUNCIL

### COUNCIL MEETING

#### QUESTIONS BY THE PUBLIC AT COUNCIL MEETINGS UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 25

#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 13 OCTOBER 2021

#### QUESTION NO 1

FROM: KEN BAILEY

The people of Portsmouth have been patiently waiting for the last 7 years for the formal recognition of a public right of way around Town Quay at the Camber in Old Portsmouth. This issue today still remains unresolved.

Considering the following:

- Between 2011 and 2021 PCC did not have a Definitive Map of the public rights of way in the city that it is required to hold by law.
- As the Surveying Authority PCC investigated and assessed an application in 2016 for an existing public right of way at the Camber, Old Portsmouth to be added to the Definitive Map – which resulted in PCC losing a subsequent appeal on this matter.
- PCC did not comply with national guidance in respect of consultations prior to publishing a Definitive Map Modification Order for this Camber right of way in February 2019, despite having taken a year to action this Secretary of State's directive.

- It took 6 months for PCC to acknowledge the submission of a large number of formal representations and objections by the public to the Definitive Map Modification Order which were received over two years ago.
- The Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation has not acknowledged or replied to questions raised in May 2018 regarding how PCC might identify and learn lessons in how to improve its Public Rights of Way administration performance.

Do you, as the responsible councillors, agree that this situation is unacceptable and will you:

- Provide the date by which submission of the DMMO to the Secretary of State for confirmation will urgently occur?
- Subsequently ensure the failings in timely resolution of this case are formally investigated so that lessons are learned?

## **QUESTION NO 2**

FROM: MR LES CUMMINGS

"Why are there CCTV cameras outside both mosques in Portsmouth and who is paying for them?"

## **QUESTION NO 3**

FROM: MR ALAN BURGESS

In 2019 Portsmouth City Council took the step of declaring a climate emergency and setting a target of zero carbon emissions in Portsmouth by 2030.

It is true that PCC authored the Climate Emergency Strategy, with a forward by the leader of the council and the cabinet member

responsible for the environment and climate change, in which they say:

"We will provide a further report in mid-2020, following a critical appraisal by Local Partnerships early in the year, which will include a costed action plan supported through the 2020/21 budget."

"When will the promised costed action plan be delivered?  
When will the Carbon Trust be commissioned to produce a carbon audit and emissions reduction plan?"

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# Agenda Item 8

From CABINET held on 22 June 2021

## **Council Agenda item 8 (Cabinet minute 47)**

### **Local Transport Plan 4 Adoption**

#### **RECOMMENDED that Full Council**

- 1. Approves the draft Portsmouth transport strategy and Portsmouth transport implementation plan for adoption as the Portsmouth Local Transport Plan 4 (LTP4) 2021-2038**
  
- 2. Delegates authority to the Director of Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation and the Section 151 Officer to agree any minor amendments to the strategy and implementation plan that may be required to take account of future funding and policy announcements**

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# Agenda Item 9

From CABINET held on 22 June 2021

## **Council Agenda item 9 (Cabinet minute 48)**

### **Portsmouth International Port Harbour Revision Order**

#### **RECOMMENDED that Full Council:**

- (a) Approves an application being made to the Marine Management Organisation ("MMO") for a Harbour Revision Order ("HRO") for a full consolidation and modernisation of legislative powers; and**
- (b) Delegates authority to the Port Director in consultation with the Port's Portfolio Holder and the Harbour Master to determine the wording of the HRO based on legal advice and undertake all procedures for the submission of the HRO to the MMO.**

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# Agenda Item 10

From CABINET held on 22 June 2021

## **Council Agenda item 10 (Cabinet minute 49)**

### **Modern Slavery Transparency Statement**

**RECOMMENDED that Full Council notes for information only the Cabinet decisions to approve -**

- i) The Modern Slavery Transparency Statement for publication on the council's website (see appendix 1) and**
- ii) The programme of work set out in item 5 of this report.**

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<b>Title of meeting:</b>	City Council
<b>Date of meeting:</b>	13 October 2021
<b>Subject:</b>	Review of Political Proportionality on Committees and Panels
<b>Report by:</b>	Chief Executive
<b>Wards affected:</b>	N/A
<b>Key decision:</b>	No

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## 1. Purpose of report

As previously advised, Councillor Symes has re-joined the Conservative Group, having been an Independent Councillor, and there is consequently a need, under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, to review the allocation of seats upon Committees and Panels.

## 2. Recommendations

### 2.1 That Council

- (a) **Determine the allocation of seats on committees and panels based on the information set out overleaf in the proportionality chart, having regard to the suggested way forward detailed below and any inter-group agreement.**
- (b) **Ratify consequent named membership change proposed at the meeting.**

## 3. Background Information and implications

As a result of a change in Group strengths, consequent seats on committees are as shown in Table 1 overleaf to be considered in conjunction with the suggested way forward set out below (the figures in brackets indicate the position prior to the change).

The proportionality table specifies allocations by groupings.

Since the last review, as previously advised there has been a change in Group strengths on the Council with Councillor L Symes re-joining the Conservative Group having been an Independent Member.

**Proposed allocation of Seats for 2021/22 (Table 1) below**

The representation of groups must be in accordance with the rules set out in the relevant legislation. Details of the proposed allocation of places on Panels and Committees are set out below - The suggested way forward is detailed underneath the table.

**Proportionality Chart - figures in brackets indicate position prior to the change in Group Strengths**

	Group Strength	Total Seats	Licensing Gp 1	Planning Gp 2	Regulatory./ Scrutiny Gp 3	Scrutiny Mngt Panel Gp 4
Conservative	(16) 17	(29) 31	6	4	(16) 17	(3) 4
Liberal Democrat	15	27	5	4	15	3
Labour	7	13	2	2	7	2
Progressive Portsmouth People Group	2	3	1	0	2	0
Non-Aligned Independent George Madgwick	1	2	1	0	1	0
	<b>42</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>9</b>

Note: Group 3 contains the following: Governance & Audit & Standards; Employment; & Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel; and the 4 themed scrutiny panels

The Conservative Group gain two seats, both currently held by Councillor Symes when an Independent Member, namely one seat on the Housing and Social Care Scrutiny Panel and one seat on the Scrutiny Management Panel

The suggested way forward is for these two seats to continue to be filled by Councillor Symes in her capacity as a Conservative Group Councillor.

This approach to the allocation of committee/panel seats has no impact on seat allocations in respect of other Members and is in line with proportionality.

**4. Legal Implications** - legal comments are embodied in the report

**5. Finance Comments** - none in relation to this report

**6. Integrated impact assessment (IIA)**

This report does not require an Equality Impact Assessment as the proposals contained within this report do not have any impact upon a particular equalities group.

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Signed by:

**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:

None.

The recommendation(s) set out above were approved/ approved as amended/ deferred/ rejected by ..... on .....

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# Agenda Item 14



## Portsmouth CITY COUNCIL

### QUESTIONS FOR THE CABINET OR CHAIR UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 17.

ORDINARY CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 13 OCTOBER 2021

#### QUESTION NO 1

FROM: COUNCILLOR CAL CORKERY

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING AND PREVENTING  
HOMELESSNESS  
COUNCILLOR DARREN SANDERS

"Will the Cabinet Member for Housing consider the request from residents of The Courts blocks in Landport for the long term empty ESO office on their estate to be converted into a community space?"

#### QUESTION NO 2

FROM: COUNCILLOR JEANETTE SMITH

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES & CENTRAL  
SERVICES  
COUNCILLOR CHRIS ATTWELL

When will an updated budget for Communities & Central Services be published within a decision making meeting as there has been no scrutiny on this for over 2 years?

### **QUESTION NO 3**

FROM: COUNCILLOR JOHN SMITH

TO REPLY: THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL  
COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON

How soon after 19<sup>th</sup> July does the leader envisage the council returning to normal business?

### **QUESTION NO 4**

FROM: COUNCILLOR LINDA SYMES

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION  
COUNCILLOR LYNNE STAGG

Can the member for traffic and transport confirm how much money is left in the active travel fund and how much is already allocated?

### **QUESTION NO 5**

FROM: COUNCILLOR SIMON BOSHER

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION  
COUNCILLOR LYNNE STAGG

After refusal by the planning committee what are your future plans for the development of the Tipner Park and Ride?

### **QUESTION NO 6**

FROM: COUNCILLOR GEMMA NEW

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS  
COUNCILLOR DARREN SANDERS

After Councillor Hooper and I achieved the re-opening of the splash pool in 2018 when will it be re-opened for Paulsgrove families to use this summer?

### **QUESTION NO 7**

FROM: COUNCILLOR MATT ATKINS

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION  
COUNCILLOR LYNNE STAGG

What are your future plans for the enforcement of box junctions?

### **QUESTION NO 8**

FROM: COUNCILLOR RYAN BRENT

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY &  
ENVIRONMENT  
COUNCILLOR DAVE ASHMORE

When can residents of Cosham, Drayton and Farlington and Paulsgrove expect that their bins will be collected regularly on the correct day again?

### **QUESTION NO 9**

FROM: COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY &  
ENVIRONMENT  
COUNCILLOR DAVE ASHMORE

Can Councillor Ashmore please update us on the last meeting of the Hampshire Crime Panel meeting?

### **QUESTION NO 10**

FROM: COUNCILLOR JEANETTE SMITH

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES & CENTRAL  
SERVICES  
COUNCILLOR CHRIS ATTWELL

When will the PCC Annual Equality Duty Report be published for 2020/2021 and what scrutiny has been completed for the report dated 2019/2020?

## **QUESTION NO 11**

**FROM: COUNCILLOR JUDITH SMYTH**

**TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR PLANNING POLICY AND CITY  
DEVELOPMENT  
COUNCILLOR HUGH MASON**

We have noted from recent SoS correspondence shared with us by the Leader that the government has stated any local authority which disagrees with the housing targets suggested by the standard formula, for example due to land supply or environmental constraints, should use their local plan development process to evidence this and propose an alternative figure.

Could you please tell us if this is an approach being taken by PCC and if so detail the proposed actions to make this happen?

## **QUESTION NO 12**

**FROM: COUNCILLOR TOM COLES**

**TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE, LEISURE AND  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
COUNCILLOR BEN DOWLING**

Can the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Economic Development confirm what plans are in place for the Fox Box café at Kingston Rec following the handing over of the unit from Fratton Big Local?