

NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY, 15 MARCH 2023 AT 11.30 AM

COUNCIL CHAMBER - THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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Councillor Suzy Horton (Liberal Democrat)

Group Spokespersons

Councillor Terry Norton, Conservative Councillor Tom Coles, Labour

Public health guidance for staff and the public due to Winter coughs, colds and viruses, including Covid-19

- Following the government announcement 'Living with Covid-19' made on 21 February 2022 and the end of universal free testing from 1 April 2022, attendees are no longer required to undertake any asymptomatic/ lateral flow test within 48 hours of the meeting; however, we still encourage attendees to follow the public health precautions we have followed over the last two years to protect themselves and others including vaccination and taking a lateral flow test should they wish.
- We strongly recommend that attendees should be double vaccinated and have received any boosters they are eligible for.
- If unwell we encourage you not to attend the meeting but to stay at home. Updated government guidance from 1 April 2022 advises people with a respiratory infection, a high temperature and who feel unwell, to stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature. From 1 April 2022, anyone with a positive Covid-19 test result is still being advised to follow this guidance for five days, which is the period when you are most infectious.
- We encourage those attendees with an underlying health condition to wear a face covering while moving around crowded areas of the Guildhall.
- Although not a legal requirement, attendees are strongly encouraged to keep a social distance and take opportunities to prevent the spread of infection by following the 'hands, face, space' and 'catch it, kill it, bin it' advice that protects us from coughs, colds and winter viruses, including Covid-19.
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<u>A G E N D A</u>

Risk Assessment: Council Chamber

Apologies

Declarations of Members' Interests

Statutory process to close the Inclusion Centre at Portsdown Primary School - Outcome of Statutory Consultation (Pages 5 - 10)

Purpose of report

This report sets out the outcome of the statutory consultation which was undertaken between 16 January 2023 and 13 February 2023 on the proposal to close the Inclusion Centre for children with special educational needs (SEND) at Portsdown Primary School.

RECOMMENDED - the Cabinet Member:

- a) Consider the response to the statutory consultation carried out on the proposal to close the Inclusion Centre at Portsdown Primary School
- b) Authorise the Director for Children, Families and Education to implement the proposal so that the Inclusion Centre at Portsdown Primary School closes at midnight on 31 August 2023.

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