

# NOTICE OF MEETING

#### CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION

# THURSDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2023 AT 5.00 PM

## COUNCIL CHAMBER - THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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#### **CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION**

Councillor Lynne Stagg (Liberal Democrat)

#### **Group Spokespersons**

Councillor Graham Heaney, Labour Councillor Scott Payter-Harris, Conservative

# 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 all attendees to wear a face covering while moving around crowded areas of the Guildhall.
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#### AGENDA

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Declarations of Members' Interests
- Forward Plan Omission Notice Portsmouth Park & Ride Contract Extension (Pages 5 6)

The Portsmouth Park & Ride Contract Extension report by the Director of Regeneration was omitted from the Forward Plan covering 18 January to 18 April 2023. The Chair of the City Council's Scrutiny Management Panel has been notified and a public notice published.

4 Portsmouth Park & Ride Contract Extension (Pages 7 - 24)

#### Purpose of Report

The purpose of this paper is to seek agreement to extend the existing Portsmouth Park & Ride contract to October 2024.

#### Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation:

- Agrees to extend the current supported Portsmouth Park & Ride contract up to 26 October 2024 with delegated authority to the Director of Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation and Section 151 Officer to negotiate with the current contractor;
- 2. Agrees the increase to the current contract price to an amount identified through the Department for Transport instigated network review process to a maximum increase of £45,000 per annum;
- 3. Approves the development and implementation by the Transport Service supported by Procurement and Legal Services, of a

procurement strategy to re-tender the contract. The process will include review of options for the electrification or hydrogen operation of Park & Ride services, either at point of contract award or over the term of the contract. This process will be informed by the projected impact of recent successful Portsmouth City Council funding applications including South East Hampshire Rapid Transit (SEHRT) and Portsmouth Bus Service Improvement Plan;

- Approves that pre-procurement activities may commence, including for peer review with fellow councils and soft market testing with operators.
- 5. Notes that waiver approval will need to be sought from Procurement and Legal Services in respect of the proposed extensions to the contracts set out above, in accordance with the Council's Contracts Procedure Rules.
- 5 Transport for the South East (TfSE) Strategic Investment Plan (Pages 25 42)

### Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the development of Transport for the South East's (TfSE's) Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) following public consultation and recommend approval of the document.

TfSE is encouraging constituent authorities such as Portsmouth City Council (PCC) to approve the SIP before the Partnership Board considers the final SIP in March 2023 and agrees the process for submitting it to Government.

#### Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation:

- 1. Notes the inclusion of the Eastern Road active travel schemes within the SIP as outlined in section 4 of this report;
- 2. Approves the final draft of the SIP for the South-East.
- **Concessionary Fare Reimbursement** (Pages 43 58)

#### Purpose of Report

This report provides an update on revisions to the scheme made in the Traffic & Transportation Cabinet decision meeting in September 2022, following an update in Department for Transport (DfT) guidance. This report provides updated recommendations for Concessionary Bus Passes reimbursement to bus operators in 2023/24 in accordance with this guidance.

#### Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation:

- 1. Notes the contents of this report;
- 2. Approves that the bus operator reimbursement rate reverts to actual journeys made using the concessionary pass from 1 April 2023;
- 3. Approves that unallocated concessionary travel budget be used to meet the cost for reinstating bus service withdrawals during 2023/2024 in the first instance following DfT guidance.
- 4. Approves the revision of the older persons concessionary pass end time to 02:00 from the current 23:00 hours, from 1 April 2023;
- 5. Delegates authority to the Director of Regeneration in conjunction with the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation and the S151 Officer, to make changes to the operator reimbursement rate within the allocated budget where such changes are considered necessary having regard to any amendments to central government guidance;
- 6. Notes the findings of the hospital appointment trial and extends this trial until 31 March 2024 in order to collect further data and report back to Traffic & Transportation Cabinet Member in February 2024.

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