

NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE, LEISURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

FRIDAY, 29 JULY 2022 AT 10.00 AM

COUNCIL CHAMBER - THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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Membership

Councillor Steve Pitt (Cabinet Member)
Councillor Linda Symes
Councillor George Fielding
Councillor Russell Simpson

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AGENDA

- 1 **Apologies for Absence**

- 2 **Declarations of Interest**

- 3 **Library Stock Policy (Pages 7 - 26)**

Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to inform the Cabinet Member of how the library stock is managed and to make recommendations for its continuing management.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member

1. **Notes that the Library and Archive Service publishes its Stock Policy and collection management policy on the Library and Archive Service website - this will inform the public on how the Service seeks best value and that stock is acquired according to current legal guidance.**

2. **Agrees that the Library and Archive Service will purchase stock within the current legislation pertaining to libraries and publications.**

3. **Agrees that the Service continues to invest in digital offers- eBooks, eAudiobooks, eNewspapers and magazines and eMusic- as demand**

for these services continues to grow.

4. Agrees that of the unsolicited, self-published titles donated to the Library and Archive Service, only those that are by local authors or about Portsmouth will be taken on for stock.
5. Agrees that the Library and Archive Service continues to purchase reference books that develop the Portsmouth History Centre Collection.
6. Agrees that a continuing programme of stock disposal is carried out.

4 Museums Annual Review & Plan 2022-2023 (Pages 27 - 44)

Purpose of report

To review achievements of Portsmouth Museums in 2021/22 and to present the service priorities for the current financial year (Plan on a page, Appendix 1).

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member:

1. Notes the achievements of 2021/22.
2. Agrees the activity to achieve museum sector and other standards being pursued.
3. Agrees that funding is sought to establish a robust and sustainable model for the operation of Eastney Beam Engine House.
4. Notes the range of partners including funders contributing to museum activity.
5. Agrees the D-Day Story develops the group offer, building on the investment in the museum and the arrival of Landing Craft Tank 7074.
6. Notes the proposals for the exhibitions at Portsmouth Museum and Art Gallery, including what follows Silver City - on the themes of the seashore (opening 2023) and costume (opening 2024).
7. Notes the proposals for the development of the National Portfolio Organisation (NPO) Advisory Board are to be pursued and the need to improve provision for users at the museum store in support of the NPO bid.

5 Musuems - National Portfolio Organisation bid (Pages 45 - 48)

Purpose of report

To update the Cabinet Member on the recent application to Arts Council England (ACE) for National Portfolio Organisation (NPO) funding.

6 Bookfest (Pages 49 - 54)

Purpose of report

To update the Cabinet Member on the success of the 2022 Festival and the return to in person events following the Pandemic.

7 Visitor Economy update (Pages 55 - 104)

Purpose of report

The purpose of the report is to update Members on the Visit Portsmouth team's marketing activity, partnership working and research from January to June 2022.

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