

# NOTICE OF MEETING

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**TRAFFIC, ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY PANEL**

**MONDAY, 13 MARCH 2023 AT 11AM**

**THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL,  
PORTSMOUTH**

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## **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 and the end of universal free testing from 1st April, 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 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, 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.
- 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.
- Hand sanitiser is provided at the entrance and throughout the Guildhall. All attendees are encouraged to make use of hand sanitiser on entry to the Guildhall.
- Those not participating in the meeting and wish to view proceedings are encouraged to do so remotely via the livestream link

## **Membership**

Councillor Gemma New (Chair)  
Councillor Dave Ashmore  
Councillor Simon Boshier

Councillor Charlotte Gerada  
Councillor Mark Jeffery  
Councillor Russell Simpson

## **Standing Deputies**

Councillor Ryan Brent  
Councillor Stuart Brown  
Councillor George Fielding  
Councillor Graham Heaney

Councillor Ian Holder  
Councillor Abdul Kadir  
Councillor Benedict Swann

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## **AGENDA**

**1 Apologies for Absence.**

**2 Declarations of Members' Interests**

**3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting. (Pages 3 - 4)**

**RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2022 be agreed as a correct record.**

**4 Scrutiny review into reducing the use of pesticides on council land.  
(Pages 5 - 18)**

The panel is asked to agree the attached draft scoping document for this review.

The following Portsmouth City Council officers will attend to assist with this review:

Philip Bentley, Head of Estate Services  
Martin Lavers, Assistant Director, Regeneration  
Adrian Rozier, Parks Development Manager

Representatives from Colas will also attend.

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