

**Notification to all Members of the council
of decisions by the Cabinet**

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The details set out below will be published in the next Members' Information Service, but in the meantime are notified to all Councillors in accordance with Rule 15(a) of the Policy and Review Panels Procedure Rules

The following decisions have been taken by the Cabinet (or individual Cabinet members) and will be implemented unless the call-in procedure is activated. Rule 15 of the Policy and Review Procedure Rules requires a call-in notice to be signed by any 5 members of the Council. The call-in request must be made to democratic@portsmouthcc.gov.uk and must be made by not later than 5 pm on Thursday 16 January 2025.

If you want to know more about a proposal, please contact the officer indicated. You can also see the report(s) on the Council's web site at www.portsmouth.gov.uk

	WARD	DECISION	OFFICER CONTACT
		<p>Cabinet Decision Meeting - 8 January 2025</p> <p>The Cabinet has made the following decisions:-</p>	<p>Democratic Services Tel 023 9283 4870 Democratic@portsmouthcc.gov.uk</p>
1	All wards	<p>DECISIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agreed that Portsmouth City Council should seek to be a part of the Hampshire & The Solent Devolution Agreement thereby avoiding a Ministerial direction for what a devolved area will look like. 2. Agreed that Portsmouth City Council, alongside our partner upper tier authorities in Hampshire & The Solent, should seek to be part of the national Devolution Priority Programme (DPP) and submit a letter to Government to this effect, recognising that this will mean more support and more money coming into the devolved area. 3. Noted that subject to the Government agreeing that Hampshire and the Solent should be part of the DPP, that Portsmouth will be asked to submit outline proposals for LGR in March 2025 and final proposals in the Autumn (rather than final 	<p>Natalie Brahma-Pearl, Chief Executive</p>

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		<p>proposals in May 2025).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Gave delegated authority to the Leader and to the Chief Executive to negotiate and take forward devolution and LGR discussions with other authorities and with The Government. As part of that, its starting position should be that Government should keep its hands off Portsmouth and let the city remain a standalone unitary authority. 5. Agreed that further papers will come to Cabinet (and Council where appropriate) about progress in these policy areas. All councillors will be briefed ahead of key dates in the timetable. 6. Agreed to ask Hampshire County Council, in order to deliver smooth and stable devolution and reorganisation, it does not delay its 2025 elections or, if it feels it must, to delay for a short period. 	