

Agenda item:

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Title of meeting: Economic development, culture & leisure scrutiny panel

Subject: **'Making community ownership work for Portsmouth' Update report**

Date of meeting: 8th October 2013

Report by: James Sandy, communities engagement manager CCDS

Wards affected: All

1. Requested by Chair of the EDCL Panel

2. Purpose

This update report (attached as Appendix 1) outlines progress in response to the panel's recommendations with regard to 'making community ownership work for Portsmouth' which were agreed by the Cabinet on 3rd June 2013.

The report outlines:

- **Context of the recommendations**
- **Officers within the council who will form the 'virtual community ownership team'**
- **Measures to improve access to support and signposting**
- **A new community ownership advice process and its principal stages**
- **Monitoring and evaluation arrangements**
- **A programme of COUP engagement activities and proposed themes**
- **Partner organisations in the city who will support our future work**

3. Information Requested

The panel is asked to consider to which portfolio the community ownership work is best aligned as there is a need for a designated cabinet member to enable direct reporting on future issues and the related work programme.

The panel is asked to consider the creation of a councillors' reference group on community ownership to support and inform this work going forward.

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Signed by (Head of Service)

Appendices:

Appendix (1) - 'Community ownership update report', communities engagement, October 2013.

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location
'A review into making community ownership work for Portsmouth', EDCL Scrutiny Panel, 30 th April 2013	http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/media/cab20130603r7report.pdf
Response to Economic Development, Culture and Leisure Scrutiny Panel, 3 rd June 2013	http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/media/cab20130603r7response.pdf
Empowering communities: making the most of local assets A councillors' guide	http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/media/cab20130603r7appF.pdf