

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL held at the Guildhall  
Portsmouth on Tuesday, 13 February 2018 at 2.00 pm

### **Council Members Present**

The Right Worshipful The Lord Mayor  
Councillor Ken Ellcome (in the Chair)

#### Councillors

Dave Ashmore	Lee Mason
Simon Boshier	Stephen Morgan
Jennie Brent	Gemma New
Ryan Brent	Robert New
Yahiya Chowdhury	Steve Pitt
Alicia Denny	Stuart Potter
John Ferrett	Will Purvis
James Fleming	Darren Sanders
David Fuller	Lynne Stagg
Colin Galloway	Luke Stubbs
Paul Godier	Julie Bird
Scott Payter-Harris	Linda Symes
Hannah Hockaday	David Tompkins
Suzy Horton	Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE
Lee Hunt	Steve Wemyss
Frank Jonas BEM	Matthew Winnington
Donna Jones	Neill Young
Ian Lyon	Rob Wood
Leo Madden	Tom Wood
Hugh Mason	

#### **1. Declarations of Interests under Standing Order 13(2)(b)**

Councillor Paul Godier declared a personal, non-prejudicial interest under agenda item 9 in that he has a relative who works for the Youth Offending Team.

Councillor Ken Ellcome declared a personal, non-prejudicial interest in notice of motion 11(a) - Policing Cuts in that he was a serving police officer for 30 years. He said that he would not be taking part in the debate.

#### **2. Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 12 December 2017**

It was

Proposed by Councillor Donna Jones  
Seconded by Councillor Hugh Mason

That the minutes of the council meeting held on 12 December 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the council meeting held on 12 December 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.**

**3. Communications and apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor Ben Dowling. Apologies for lateness were received on behalf of Councillor Ian Lyon.

The Lord Mayor gave detailed information concerning filming in the chamber and reiterated the council's rules which strictly prohibit the filming, photographing or recording of members of the public unless they are addressing the meeting and only then if they do not actively object. Filming from gallery to gallery is also prohibited.

The Lord Mayor then gave details of the evacuation procedure and reminded everyone that there are building evacuation signs displayed both inside the public galleries and in the chamber itself.

The Lord Mayor referred to the seating plan which had been slightly updated.

**4. Deputations from the Public under Standing Order No 24**

The City Solicitor advised that one video deputation had been received in respect of item 11(b). Seven deputations had been received, three in respect of item 7 Revenue Budget, one in respect of item 11(a) Police Cuts and three in respect of item 11(c) Reducing the Use of Single-Use Plastics in Portsmouth.

A video deputation was given on behalf of Mrs Emma Kate Smith on notice of motion 11(b). Deputations were made on agenda item 7 - Budget and Council Tax 2018/19 and Medium Term Budget Forecast 2019/20 to 2021/22 by Mr Jerry Brown, Mr Stephen Bonner and Mr Geoff Holt.

Mr Richard Adair made a deputation on notice of motion 11(a) Policing Cuts.

A shared deputation was made on notice of motion 11(c) Reducing the Use of Single-Use Plastics in Portsmouth by Ms Claire Seek and her children Mariella and Kester and individual deputations on this item were made by Ms Sarah Shreeve and Mr Aaron Sayers.

As a result of the deputation made by Mr Holt outlining the circumstances of one individual's treatment in the latter stages of her life, council decided to initiate an investigation in this incident in terms of the council's Adult Social Care but also wanted to look into external services for example the NHS.

**5. Appointments**

The Lord Mayor advised that appointments would be dealt with under agenda item 10 - Political Balance on Committees and Panels.

## **6. Urgent Business under Standing Order No 26**

There was no urgent business.

## **7. Recommendations from the Cabinet Meeting held on 12 February 2018**

The following minutes were opposed

Minute 6 - Portsmouth City Council Budget and Council Tax 2018/19 and Medium Term Budget Forecast

Minute 7 - Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2022/23

The Lord Mayor explained that in accordance with the letter of 2 February 2018 concerning procedure at the meeting previously sent to members, he proposed that the capital programme and the budget and council tax setting items be taken and debated together on the basis that each impacts on the other and on the understanding that the budget and council tax item will be voted on first followed by the capital programme. This was agreed.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Donna Jones

Seconded by Councillor Luke Stubbs

That the recommendations contained in Cabinet minute 6 - Portsmouth City Council Budget and Council Tax 2018/19 and Medium Term Budget Forecast and Cabinet Minute 7 - Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2022/23 be approved.

The Lord Mayor reminded everyone that the group leaders were not subject to any time limit when speaking about the budget proposals.

The Leader wished to place on record her thanks to

- Members of the UKIP group and the two independent councillors for their support
- To Matt Evans and Tom Southall for their work on the investment portfolio
- To Chris Ward and Julian Pike and the finance team for all their work
- Her personal thanks to the Conservative group members and to Cabinet members in particular.

Following her budget presentation, the Leader commended the proposals to council.

As an amendment to the recommendations in relation to Cabinet minute 6 and Cabinet minute 7, it was

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson

Seconded by Councillor Hugh Mason

That the recommendations set out in Appendix 1 attached to these minutes (Liberal Democrat Portsmouth City Council Budget and Council Tax 2018/19 and Medium Term Budget Forecast) and the recommendations set out in Appendix 2 attached to these minutes (Liberal Democrat Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2022/23) be adopted.

Councillor Vernon-Jackson then spoke to this group's proposed budget amendment. He placed on record his thanks to Chris Ward, Julian Pike and finance officers and also to the Conservative administration and Cabinet. Councillor Vernon-Jackson then spoke to his group's proposed budget amendments and commended them to council.

Councillor Colin Galloway then spoke to the budget presented by the administration which he said was acceptable under the constraints imposed by central government. His group did not propose any amendments. He added his thanks to Chris Ward and his team for all the work they had put in.

As an amendment to the recommendations in relation to Cabinet minute 6, it was

Proposed by Councillor Stephen Morgan  
Seconded by Councillor Yahiya Chowdhury

That the recommendations set out in Appendix 3 attached to these minutes (Labour Budget and Council Tax 2018/19 and Medium Term Budget Forecast) be adopted.

Councillor Stephen Morgan, Labour group leader then spoke to his group's proposed budget amendments and commended them to council.

Council adjourned at 4.25 pm.

Council resumed at 4.40 pm.

Following debate, the Lord Mayor called upon the Leader of the Council, Councillor Donna Jones to sum up, which she then did. Councillor Jones said that she did not propose to accept any of the amendments that had been put forward and gave her reasons.

The Lord Mayor advised that regulations require all votes on the budget proposals to be dealt with by means of recorded votes.

Upon the Liberal Democrat amendment standing in the name of Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson on the Budget and Council Tax 2018/19 and Medium Term Budget Forecast being put to the vote the following members voted in favour:

Councillors	David Ashmore	Will Purvis
	David Fuller	Darren Sanders
	Suzy Horton	Lynne Stagg
	Lee Hunt	Gerald Vernon-Jackson
	Leo Madden	Matthew Winnington

Hugh Mason  
Steve Pitt

Rob Wood  
Tom Wood

The following members voted against:

Councillors	Julie Bird	Paul Godier	Scott Payter-Harris
	Simon Boshier	Hannah Hockaday	Stuart Potter
	Jennie Brent	Frank Jonas	Luke Stubbs
	Ryan Brent	Donna Jones	Linda Symes
	Alicia Denny	Ian Lyon	David Tompkins
	John Ferrett	Lee Mason	Steve Wemyss
	James Fleming	Gemma New	Neill Young
	Colin Galloway	Robert New	

The following members abstained:

Councillors Yahiya Chowdhury Stephen Morgan

The Liberal Democrat group amendment was therefore LOST.

Upon the Labour group amendment standing in the name of Councillor Stephen Morgan being put to the vote, the following members voted in favour:

Councillors Yahiya Chowdhury John Ferrett Stephen Morgan

The following members voted against:

Councillors	Julie Bird	Hannah Hockaday	Scott Payter-Harris
	Simon Boshier	Frank Jonas	Stuart Potter
	Jennie Brent	Donna Jones	Luke Stubbs
	Ryan Brent	Ian Lyon	Linda Symes
	Alicia Denny	Lee Mason	David Tompkins
	James Fleming	Gemma New	Steve Wemyss
	Colin Galloway	Robert New	Neill Young
	Paul Godier		

The following members abstained:

Councillors	David Ashmore	Will Purvis
	David Fuller	Darren Sanders
	Suzy Horton	Lynne Stagg
	Lee Hunt	Gerald Vernon-Jackson
	Leo Madden	Matthew Winnington
	Hugh Mason	Rob Wood
	Steve Pitt	Tom Wood

The Labour group amendment was therefore LOST.

Upon the recommendations in Cabinet minute 6 - Portsmouth City Council Budget and Council Tax 2018/19 and Medium Term Budget Forecast being put to the vote the following members voted in favour:

Councillors	Julie Bird	Paul Godier	Scott Payter-Harris
	Simon Boshier	Hannah Hockaday	Stuart Potter
	Jennie Brent	Frank Jonas	Luke Stubbs
	Ryan Brent	Donna Jones	Linda Symes
	Alicia Denny	Ian Lyon	David Tompkins
	John Ferrett	Lee Mason	Steve Wemyss
	James Fleming	Gemma New	Neill Young
	Colin Galloway	Robert New	

The following councillors voted against:

Councillors	David Ashmore	Steve Pitt
	Yahiya Chowdhury	Will Purvis
	David Fuller	Darren Sanders
	Suzy Horton	Lynne Stagg
	Lee Hunt	Gerald Vernon-Jackson
	Leo Madden	Matthew Winnington
	Hugh Mason	Rob Wood
	Stephen Morgan	Tom Wood

There were no abstentions.

The Cabinet recommendations in Cabinet minute 6 - Portsmouth City Council Budget and Council Tax 2018/19 and Medium Term Budget Forecast were therefore CARRIED.

#### RESOLVED

(1) That the following be approved in respect of the Council's Budget:

- [(a) not allocated]
- (b) The revised Revenue Estimates for the financial year 2017/18 and the Revenue Estimates for the financial year 2018/19 as set out in the General Fund Summary (Appendix A)
- (c) The Portfolio Cash Limits for the Revised Budget for 2017/18 and Budget for 2018/19 as set out in Sections 7 and 9, respectively
- (d) That £2.0m be transferred to the Revenue Reserve for Capital in 2017/18 to supplement the resources available for the Capital Programme to enable the Council to increase the Capital Resources available to properly fund its statutory responsibilities including School Places, Sea Defences, critical maintenance obligations and potential match funding commitments for the City Centre Re-development
- (e) The additional £3.1m received from the Business Rate Retention Pilot (currently guaranteed for 1 year only) be used to enable the Council to make a Revenue Contribution to the Capital Programme to ensure the Council can properly meet its statutory responsibilities for providing Special School Places

- (f) That £2.0m be transferred to the MTRS Reserve in 2017/18 and a further £2.5m in 2018/19 to restore it to a level sufficient to enable the Council to pursue both Spend to Save schemes, Invest to Save schemes and fund redundancy costs, all aimed at facilitating the Council's savings strategy
- (g) That £1.7m is carried forward from 2017/18 to 2018/19 in respect of contingent items that were expected to arise in 2017/18 but are now expected to occur in 2018/19
- (h) Any further underspendings for 2017/18 arising at the year-end outside of those made by Portfolios be transferred to Capital Resources in order to provide funding for known future commitments such as Sea Defences and the enabling transport infrastructure necessary for the City's development and growth which have, as yet, insufficient funding
- (i) Any variation to the Council's funding arising from the final Local Government Finance Settlement be accommodated by a transfer to or from General Reserves.
- (j) The S.151 Officer be given delegated authority to enter into the Solent<sup>1</sup> 100% Business Rates Retention Pilot agreement with the Department for Communities and Local Government
- (k) The S.151 Officer be given delegated authority to make any necessary adjustments to Cash Limits within the overall approved Budget and Budget Forecasts
- (l) That the level of Council Tax be increased by 2.99% for general purposes in accordance with the referendum threshold<sup>2</sup> for 2018/19 announced by Government (as calculated in recommendation (4) (d))
- (m) That the level of Council Tax be increased by a further 1.5% beyond the referendum threshold (as calculated in recommendation (4) (d)) to take advantage of the flexibility offered by Government to implement a "Social Care Precept"; and that in accordance with the conditions of that flexibility, the full amount of the associated sum generated of £1,071,700 is passported direct to Adult Social Care
- (n) Managers be authorised to incur routine expenditure against the Cash Limits for 2018/19 as set out in Section 9
- (o) That the savings requirement for 2019/20 be set at a minimum on-going sum of £4.0m
- (p) That the S.151 Officer be given delegated authority to make transfers to and from reserves in order to ensure that they are

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<sup>1</sup> Includes Isle of Wight Council, Portsmouth City Council and Southampton City Council

<sup>2</sup> Council Tax increases beyond the referendum threshold can only be implemented following a "Yes" vote in a local referendum

maintained as necessary and in particular, adjusted when reserves are no longer required or need to be replenished

- (q) Directors be instructed to start planning how the City Council will achieve the savings requirements shown in Section 10 and that this be incorporated into Service Business Plans
  - (r) The minimum level of General Reserves as at 31 March 2019 be maintained at £8.0m (£7.0m in 2017/18) to reflect the known and expected budget and financial risks to the Council
  - (s) Members have had regard for the Statement of the Section 151 Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2003 as set out in Section 13.
- (2) That the following be **noted** in respect of the Council's Budget:
- (a) The Revenue Estimates 2018/19 as set out in Appendix A have been prepared on the basis of a 1.5% tax increase for the "Social Care Precept" (amounting to £1,071,700) and that this is passported to Adult Social Care in order to provide for otherwise unfunded budget pressures including the current underlying budget deficit, the cost of the new National Living Wage and demographic pressures arising from a "living longer" population
  - (b) The decision on the amount at which to set the Adult Social Care precept will be critical for the Social Care and wider Health system in the City; in the event that the additional flexibility of the "Social Care Precept" and associated 1.5% tax increase (amounting to £714,500 for each 1%) is not taken, then equivalent savings will need to be made in Adult Social Care in 2018/19
  - (c) In general, due to the additional costs of the Pay Award and inflation generally amounting to an additional £1.1m, any reduction from the 4.49% Council Tax increase proposed will require additional savings of £714,500 for each 1% reduction in order for the Budget 2018/19 to be approved
  - (d) The Revenue Forecast for 2019/20 onwards as set out in Section 10 and Appendix B
  - (e) The estimated Savings Requirement of £12m for the three year period 2019/20 to 2021/22, for financial and service planning purposes, be phased as follows:

Financial Year	In Year Savings Requirement £m	Cumulative Saving £ m
2019/20	4.0	4.0
2020/21	4.0	8.0
2021/22	4.0	12.0

- (f) The MTRS Reserve held to fund the upfront costs associated with Spend to Save Schemes, Invest to Save Schemes and

redundancies will hold an uncommitted balance of £4.8m<sup>3</sup> and will only be replenished in future from an approval to the transfer of any underspends, contributions from the Revenue Budget or transfers from other reserves which may no longer be required

- (g) The Council Tax element of the Collection Fund for 2017/18 is estimated to be a surplus of £1,210,318 which is shared between the City Council (85%), Police & Crime Commissioner (11%) and the Hampshire Fire & Rescue Authority (4%)
- (h) The Business Rate element of the Collection Fund for 2017/18 is estimated to be a surplus of £1,114,662 which is shared between the City Council (49%), the Government (50%) and the Hampshire Fire & Rescue Authority (1%)
- (i) The Retained Business Rate income<sup>4</sup> for 2018/19 is based on the estimated Business Rate element of the Collection Fund surplus as at March 2017, the Non Domestic Rates poundage for 2018/19 and estimated rateable values for 2018/19 and has been determined at £73,567,319
- (3) That the S.151 Officer has determined that the Council Tax base for the financial year 2018/19 will be **55,857.4** [item T in the formula in Section 31 B(1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act")].
- (4) That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the financial year 2018/19 in accordance with Section 31 and Sections 34 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

(a)	£486,934,953	Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act.
(b)	£412,275,394	Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
(c)	£74,659,559	Being the amount by which the aggregate at (4) (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (4)(b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year. (Item R in the formula in Section 31B(1) of the Act.
(d)	£1,336.61	Being the amount at (4)(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item (3) above (Item T), calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.

<sup>3</sup> Including the transfer into the reserve of £4.5m contained with the recommendations in this report

<sup>4</sup> Including the Portsmouth City Council element of the Collection Fund surplus of £546,184, S31 Grants of £6,008,979, the "Tariff" paid to Government of £17,157,504 and the contributions to the "Growth Pool" of £4,853,053 and from the "Growth Pool" of £3,094,522

(e) Valuation Bands (Portsmouth City Council)

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
<b>£</b>							
891.07	1,039.59	1,188.10	1,336.61	1,633.63	1,930.66	2,227.68	2,673.22

Being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at (4)(d) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in Valuation Band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings in different valuation bands.

- (5) That it be noted that for the financial year 2018/19 the Hampshire Police & Crime Commissioner is consulting upon the following amounts for the precept to be issued to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of the dwellings shown below:

Valuation Bands (Hampshire Police & Crime Commissioner)

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
<b>£</b>							
118.31	138.02	157.74	177.46	216.90	256.33	295.77	354.92

- (6) That it be noted that for the financial year 2018/19 Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority are recommended to approve the following amounts for the precept issued to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of the dwellings shown below:

Valuation Bands (Hampshire Fire & Rescue Authority)

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
<b>£</b>							
43.83	51.13	58.44	65.74	80.35	94.96	109.57	131.48

- (7) That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at (4)(e), (5) and (6) above, the Council, in accordance with Sections 31A, 31B and 34 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the financial year 2018/19 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Valuation Bands (Total Council Tax)

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
<b>£</b>							
1,053.21	1,228.74	1,404.28	1,579.81	1,930.88	2,281.95	2,633.02	3,159.62

- (8) The Council determines in accordance with Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 that the Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2018/19, which represents a 4.49% increase, is not excessive in accordance with the principles approved by the Secretary of State under Section 52ZC of the Act; and it be noted that:

- i) The 4.49% increase includes a 1.5% increase to support the delivery of Adult Social Care
  - ii) As the billing authority, the Council has not been notified by a major precepting authority (the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire or the Hampshire Fire & Rescue Authority) that its relevant basic amount of Council Tax for 2018/19 is excessive and that the billing authority is not required to hold a referendum in accordance with Section 52ZK of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
- (9) The S.151 Officer be given delegated authority to implement any variation to the overall level of Council Tax arising from the final notification of the Hampshire Police & Crime Commissioner and Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority precepts.

Upon the Liberal Democrat amendment standing in the name of Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson concerning Cabinet minute 7 - Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2022/23 being put to the vote, the following members voted in favour:

Councillors	David Ashmore	Steve Pitt
	Yahiya Chowdhury	Will Purvis
	David Fuller	Darren Sanders
	Suzy Horton	Lynne Stagg
	Lee Hunt	Gerald Vernon-Jackson
	Leo Madden	Matthew Winnington
	Hugh Mason	Rob Wood
	Stephen Morgan	Tom Wood

The following members voted against:

Councillors	Julie Bird	Paul Godier	Scott Payter-Harris
	Simon Boshier	Hannah Hockaday	Stuart Potter
	Jennie Brent	Frank Jonas	Luke Stubbs
	Ryan Brent	Donna Jones	Linda Symes
	Alicia Denny	Ian Lyon	David Tompkins
	John Ferrett	Lee Mason	Steve Wemyss
	James Fleming	Gemma New	Neill Young
	Colin Galloway	Robert New	

The Liberal Democrat amendment to the Capital Programme was therefore LOST.

Upon the recommendations in Cabinet minute 7 - Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2022/23 being put to the vote the following members were in favour:

Councillors	David Ashmore	Lee Mason
	Julie Bird	Stephen Morgan
	Simon Boshier	Gemma New
	Jennie Brent	Robert New
	Ryan Brent	Scott Payter-Harris

Yahiya Chowdhury  
Alicia Denny  
John Ferrett  
James Fleming  
David Fuller  
Colin Galloway  
Paul Godier  
Hannah Hockaday  
Suzy Horton  
Lee Hunt  
Frank Jonas  
Donna Jones  
Ian Lyon  
Leo Madden  
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Stuart Potter  
Will Purvis  
Darren Sanders  
Lynne Stagg  
Luke Stubbs  
Linda Symes  
David Tompkins  
Gerald Vernon-Jackson  
Steve Wemyss  
Matthew Winnington  
Rob Wood  
Tom Wood  
Neill Young

The proposal to approve the Cabinet recommendations referred to in Cabinet minute 7 were therefore CARRIED.

#### RESOLVED

- (1) That the following be approved in respect of the Council's Capital Programme:
  - 1) The Revised Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2022/23 attached as Appendix 1 of the report which includes all additions, deletions and amendments for slippage and rephrasing described in Sections 6 and 8 be approved
  - 2) The S.151 Officer be given delegated authority to determine how each source of finance is used to fund the overall Capital Programme and to alter the overall mix of financing, as necessary, to maximise the flexibility of capital resources used and minimise the ongoing costs of borrowing to the Council
  - 3) That the S.151 Officer in consultation with the Leader of the Council be given delegated authority to release capital resources held back for any contingent items that might arise, and also for any match funding requirements that may be required of the City Council in order to secure additional external capital funding (e.g. bids for funding from Government or the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership)
  - 4) The following schemes as described in Section 9 and Appendix 2 be reflected within the recommended Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2022/23 and be financed from the available corporate capital resources:

<b>Recommended New Capital Schemes</b>		<b>Corporate Resources Required £</b>	<b>Total Scheme Value £</b>
<b>Education</b>			
	Schools' Conditions Project 2018/19	1,000,000	1,100,000
	Sufficiency of Secondary School Places	10,237,800	10,237,800
	Sufficiency of Special School Places - Redwood Park Academy	2,053,700	3,053,700
	Sufficiency of Special School Places - The Willows Centre	400,000	400,000
	Milton Childcare Sufficiency	250,000	250,000
	Forest School at Foxes Forest - Community Accessible Education Centre	125,000	125,000
<b>Culture, Leisure and Sport</b>			
	Farlington Pavillion Refurbishment	70,000	140,000
	Lumps Fort Sun Huts Maintenance	50,000	50,000
	Milton Park Barn Thatched Roof	130,000	130,000
	Victoria Park Heritage Lottery Funding Bid	250,000	2,500,000
	Disabled Beach Buggies & Access Mats	20,000	20,000
	Allotment Security Grants	35,000	35,000
	Outdoor Fitness Equipment	80,000	80,000
<b>Environment and Community Safety</b>			
	Public Toilets New Provision, across the City	125,000	180,000
	Wheeled Bins for Refuse	1,120,000	1,120,000
<b>Health and Social Care</b>			
	Shearwater House - Backup Power Supply	50,000	50,000
<b>Housing</b>			
	307 Twyford Avenue - Refurbishment of Supported Housing Accommodation for Adult Social Care clients	190,000	190,000
	4 Target Road - Refurbishment of Supported Housing Accommodation for Adult Social Care clients	100,000	100,000
	69 Goldsmith Avenue - Refurbishment of Supported Housing Accommodation for Adult Social Care clients	160,000	160,000
<b>Planning, Regeneration and Economic Development</b>			
	City Centre Public Realm 2018/19	500,000	500,000

<b>Resources</b>			
	Landlord's Maintenance	2,395,000	2,395,000
	Channel Shift - Phase 2	582,500	582,500
	Windows 10 Upgrade & Hardware Refresh	1,500,000	1,800,000
<b>Traffic and Transportation</b>			
	Cathodic Protection - Hard Interchange	1,200,000	1,200,000
	Western Corridor - South	120,000	120,000
	Central Corridor	250,000	250,000
	Eastern Corridor Road Link - Phase 2	500,000	500,000
	LTP 4	1,500,000	1,500,000
	Smart Cities - Intelligent Transport System	500,000	803,000
	Pedestrian Crossing - Henderson Road	80,000	80,000
<b>Total Recommended Sum To Be Approved</b>		<b>25,574,000</b>	<b>29,652,000</b>

- 5) The following Schemes as described in Section 14 be included within the "Reserve List" of Capital Schemes to be considered once additional capital resources are identified

<b>Future Priority Capital Schemes – Not in Priority Order</b>
School Condition (roofs, boilers, electrics, windows etc.)
Camber Quay Berth 4 Replacement
Enabling Transport Infrastructure match funding - City Centre development
Sea Defences
Landlords Repairs & Maintenance
Local Transport Plan - Road safety and traffic improvement schemes
Digital Strategy (Including move to cloud based Information Technology systems)

- 6) The Prudential Indicators described in Section 15 and set out in Appendix 3 be approved.
- (2) That the following be noted in respect of the Council's Capital Programme:
- 1) The passported Capital Allocations (Ring-fenced Grants) as set out in Section 7
  - 2) That Cabinet Members, in consultation with the Section 151 Officer, have authority to vary Capital Schemes and their associated funding within their Portfolio in order to manage any potential overspending or funding shortfall or to respond to emerging priorities
  - 3) As outlined in Section 9 and Appendix 2 that the Director of Property & Housing Services will work with other Directors to further prioritise the schedule of identified Landlord's

Maintenance works to ensure that those with the highest priority are undertaken up to the value of the £2.4m allocated

- 4) The use of Drayton & Farlington Neighbourhood CIL to fund £70,000 of a £140,000 scheme to undertake a refurbishment of Farlington Pavilion, as outlined in Section 12 and Appendix 2
- 5) As outlined in Section 13 and Appendix 2 the release of £55,000 towards a £180,000 scheme from the Environment & Community Safety Portfolio Reserve to provide new public toilets across the City
- 6) The City Council note that Prudential Borrowing can only be used as a source of capital finance for Invest to Save Schemes as described in Section 15.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Robert New under Standing Order 40 that notice of motion (c) should be heard as the next item as the Cabinet Member had to leave the meeting early. This was agreed. For the purpose of the minutes this will be recorded in the same order as appears on the agenda.

### **Further Recommendations from the Cabinet Meeting held on 12 February 2018**

#### **8. Portsmouth Youth Offending Team Youth Justice Strategic Plan 2017-19**

Minute 5 - Portsmouth Youth Offending Team Youth Justice Strategic Plan 2017-19

This was approved unopposed.

**RESOLVED that council endorsed and approved the refreshed Youth Justice Strategic Plan 2017-19.**

#### **9. Review of the political proportionality on Committees and Panels**

In response to a report from the Chief Executive, it was

Proposed by Councillor Donna Jones  
Seconded by Councillor Neill Young

"1.To adopt the overall political balance and allocation of seats as set out in the chief executive's report, and agree the following changes -

2. That the **six vacant Conservative seats** be filled as follows (including resultant Standing Deputy vacancies where applicable) -

- Licensing Committee - Jennie Brent

- Planning Committee - Scott Payter-Harris (currently a Standing deputy)
- Traffic, Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel Steve Wemyss
- Economic Development Culture and Leisure Scrutiny Panel - Ian Lyon (currently a standing deputy)
- Governance and Audit and Standards Committee Alicia Denny - (currently a Standing deputy)
- Scrutiny Management Panel - Julie Bird

3. The following Chair and Vice Chair positions be assigned as follows -

- Economic Development Culture and Leisure Scrutiny Panel - Alicia Denny (Chair) (position currently vacant)
- Planning Committee - Scott Payter-Harris (Vice Chair) (to replace Councillor Jonas in that position)
- Traffic, Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel Steve Wemyss (Chair) (position currently vacant)
- Traffic, Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel, Lee Hunt (Vice Chair) (position currently vacant)

Upon being put to the vote these were CARRIED.

**RESOLVED that Council**

**Adopted the overall political balance and allocation of seats as set out in the chief executive's report, and agreed the following changes -**

**1. That the six vacant Conservative seats be filled as follows (including resultant Standing Deputy vacancies where applicable) -**

- **Licensing Committee - Jennie Brent**
- **Planning Committee - Scott Payter-Harris (currently a Standing deputy)**
- **Traffic, Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel Steve Wemyss**
- **Economic Development Culture and Leisure Scrutiny Panel - Ian Lyon (currently a standing deputy)**
- **Governance and Audit and Standards Committee - Alicia Denny - (currently a Standing deputy)**

- **Scrutiny Management Panel - Julie Bird**

2. **That the following Chair and Vice Chair positions be assigned as follows -**

- **Economic Development Culture and Leisure Scrutiny Panel - Alicia Denny (Chair) (position currently vacant)**
- **Planning Committee - Scott Payter-Harris (Vice Chair) (to replace Councillor Jonas in that position)**
- **Traffic, Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel Steve Wemyss (Chair) (position currently vacant)**
- **Traffic, Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel, Lee Hunt (Vice Chair) (position currently vacant).**

## 10. **Notices of Motion**

There were three notices of motion before council.

### **a) Policing Cuts**

It was

Proposed by Councillor Lee Hunt  
Seconded by Councillor Rob Wood

That notice of motion (a) as set out on the agenda be debated today. Upon being put to the vote this was LOST.

The Leader of the Council said that this was an important matter and proposed that it be referred to Cabinet and this was agreed.

**RESOLVED that Notice of Motion (a) be not debated today.**

**Note: This Notice of Motion will be referred to Cabinet.**

### **b) Centenary of Granting Votes for Women**

It was

Proposed by Councillor Suzy Horton  
Seconded by Councillor Lynne Stagg

That notice of motion (b) as set out on the agenda be debated today.

Upon being put to the vote this was CARRIED.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Suzy Horton  
Seconded by Councillor Lynne Stagg

That notice of motion (b) as set out on the agenda be adopted.

As an amendment it was

Proposed by Councillor Alicia Denny  
Seconded by Councillor Jennie Brent

**that**

" In paragraph 1, at the end of the sentence (removing the full stop) add the following:

" and are grateful to the Council for doing so on the anniversary of the Royal assent with plaques to Herta Ayrton. The council places on record thanks to Alderman Terry Hall for initially raising awareness of Herta; to Flick Drummond for starting a campaign to obtain a plaque; and to the Leader, Cabinet member for Resources and Deputy Lord Mayor for working on these plans."

Add new paragraphs, (2, 3 and 4)

"We should also remember with appreciation the 1869, 1870 and 1872 petitions for votes for women that was circulated in Portsmouth, and the decision to allow women to vote in city elections in 1869 and in county elections in 1888.

We are grateful, as it continues to engage with Vote100, for the Council's plan to remember the election of Kate Edmond (Portsmouth Women's Citizens association) in November 1918 as the first female councillor in Portsmouth; the 90th anniversary of equal rights to vote in July; and Alison Garland the first woman to stand for parliament from Portsmouth in a general election December 1918.

We also remember Phyllis Loe, the first female Lord Mayor in 1972; Sarah McCarthy Fry, elected as the first female MP for Portsmouth North in 2005; Flick Drummond, elected as the first female MP for Portsmouth South 2015; Penny Mordaunt MP, Portsmouth's first female Secretary of State serving in government; and our current leader, Donna Jones, who became the first female leader of Portsmouth City Council in 2014."

In original paragraph 3, delete the words " wishes to unveil a plaque at 2 Kent Street in Portsmouth, the former location of the Women's Suffrage office" and replace with " is resolved to back a bid for central government funding as part of Vote100 and to support a year of remembrance."

Add after original paragraph 3 new paragraph (will be 6)

"We are also mindful of the many organisations who campaigned to obtain Women's Suffrage, including, but not limited to:-  
National Union of Woman's Suffrage Societies, Women's Social and Political Union, National Union of Teachers, Primrose League, Co-operative Congress, Fabian society, Conservative and Unionist Franchise Association, Women's Liberal Association, Independent Labour Party, British Women's temperance

movement, Woman's Co-operative Guild, National Union of Women's Workers, Women's Freedom League, Church League for Women's Suffrage, Unitarian movement, National Society for Women's Suffrage, Women's Labour League and, last but not least, Portsmouth Women's Citizens Association who were successful in electing Kate Edmund."

In the final paragraph (originally 4)

Replace "endorses" with "requests" in the first line.

Delete the words "investigate the costs of a suitable plaque and consider whether it can be afforded from within the Resources Cash Limit or its Portfolio Reserve" and replace with

"investigation into the costs of suitable campaigns; ways to remember; and plaques to be placed in appropriate locations. Further, if it can be afforded from within the Resources Cash Limit or its Portfolio Reserve, the Cabinet member for Resources be asked to consider adding to any money received from Central Government in order to achieve its objective of promoting awareness of Vote 100."

Councillor Suzy Horton, mover of the original motion agreed to subsume into it the amendment.

Upon the substantive motion being put to the vote this was CARRIED unanimously.

#### **RESOLVED that**

**The City Council wishes to record the centenary of the granting of votes for women for parliamentary elections in the UK and are grateful to the Council for doing so on the anniversary of the Royal assent with plaques to Herta Ayrton. The council places on record thanks to Alderman Terry Hall for initially raising awareness of Herta; to Flick Drummond for starting a campaign to obtain a plaque; and to the Leader, Cabinet member for Resources and Deputy Lord Mayor for working on these plans.**

**We should also remember with appreciation the 1869, 1870 and 1872 petitions for votes for women that were circulated in Portsmouth, and the decision to allow women to vote in city elections in 1869 and in county elections in 1888.**

**We are grateful, as it continues to engage with Vote100, for the Council's plan to remember the election of Kate Edmond (Portsmouth Women's Citizens association) in November 1918 as the first female councillor in Portsmouth; the 90th anniversary of equal rights to vote in July; and Alison Garland the first woman to stand for parliament from Portsmouth in a general election December 1918.**

**We also remember Phyllis Loe, the first female Lord Mayor in 1972; Sarah McCarthy Fry, elected as the first female MP for Portsmouth North in 2005; Flick Drummond, elected as the first female MP for Portsmouth South 2015; Penny Mordaunt MP, Portsmouth's first female Secretary of**

**State serving in government; and our current leader, Donna Jones, who became the first female leader of Portsmouth City Council in 2014.**

**To commemorate the granting of the franchise to women in parliamentary elections in 1918, the City Council is resolved to back a bid for central government funding as part of Vote100 and to support a year of remembrance.**

**We are also mindful of the many organisations who campaigned to obtain Women's Suffrage, including, but not limited to:- National Union of Woman's Suffrage Societies, Women's Social and Political Union, National Union of Teachers, Primrose League, Co-operative Congress, Fabian society, Conservative and Unionist Franchise Association, Women's Liberal Association, Independent Labour Party, British Women's temperance movement, Woman's Co-operative Guild, National Union of Women's Workers, Women's Freedom League, Church League for Women's Suffrage, Unitarian movement, National Society for Women's Suffrage, Women's Labour League and, last but not least, Portsmouth Women's Citizens Association who were successful in electing Kate Edmund.**

**Consequently, the City Council endorses the Cabinet Member for Resources' investigation into the costs of suitable campaigns; ways to remember; and plaques to be placed in appropriate locations. Further, if it can be afforded from within the Resources Cash Limit or its Portfolio Reserve, the Cabinet member for Resources be asked to consider adding to any money received from Central Government in order to achieve its objective of promoting awareness of Vote 100.**

**c) Reducing the use of single-use plastics in Portsmouth**

(Please note that notice of motion c) was debated as the first notice of motion at the request of the Cabinet Member who had to leave early. For the sake of clarity this is being recorded in the minutes in the order set out on the agenda.)

It was

Proposed by Councillor Lee Hunt  
Seconded by Councillor Rob Wood

That notice of motion (c) as set out in the agenda be debated today.

Upon being put to the vote this was CARRIED.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Lee Hunt  
Seconded by Councillor Rob Wood

That notice of motion (c) as set out in the agenda be adopted.

As an amendment it was

Proposed by Councillor Robert New  
Seconded by Councillor Neill Young

**to**

Add in the paragraph 1 after "The introduction of the 5p bag charge" the words "by the Conservative government"

Delete 2018 from point 1 and replace with 2019

Add to point 2 after "non-plastic recyclable" the words "and re-usable".

Add to Point 4, after the words "with a view to" the word "encourage"

And also to Point 4 delete '2018' and replace with "2020 to allow small businesses and vendors, often small family run businesses an appropriate window of time to be able to adapt their businesses without a negative impact by moving to recyclable and eco-friendly materials"

Add two new final points (points 6 and 7):

6. Investigate introducing a Portsmouth branded range of re-usable cups and water bottles for sale across Portsmouth City Council retail outlets, including Waterfront Gifts and work with independent businesses to investigate a loyalty scheme for re-useable coffee cup users to encourage the wider use of re-usable receptacles.
7. Continue to investigate the set-up of a city-wide 'Water re-fill' scheme, which will complement the new water refill stations soon to be installed across the city."

As an amendment it was

Proposed by Councillor Will Purvis  
Seconded by Councillor Dave Ashmore

To insert an additional point at the end of the motion

"Support Plastic Free Coastlines with the aim of being recognised as a Plastic Free City by 2019; committing to plastic free alternatives; supporting plastic free initiatives within the City and providing a named representative from the council to sit on the Portsmouth Plastic Free Coastlines steering group."

Councillor Lee Hunt proposer of the original motion agreed to subsume into it both amendments.

Upon the substantive motion (subsuming into it both amendments) being put to the vote this was CARRIED unanimously.

**RESOLVED that**

**The introduction of the 5p bag charge by the Conservative government has already seen use of single-use plastic bags drop by 85%, but most families still throw away about 40kg of plastic per year, which could otherwise be recycled. The amount of plastic waste generated annually in the UK is estimated to be nearly 5 million tonnes.**

**Whilst, the Council welcomes the commitment of some major businesses to reduce their use of plastic packaging in the medium-term, and encourages all local businesses to respond to the Government's recent call for evidence on reducing plastic waste, a true step change in this level of plastic waste can only be achieved by reducing the prevalence of single-use plastic materials.**

**Therefore Council resolves to ask the Cabinet to;**

- 1. Develop a robust strategy to make Portsmouth a 'single-use-plastic-free' authority by the end of 2019 and encourage the City's institutions, businesses and citizens to adopt similar measures;**
- 2. End the sale and provision of single use plastic products such as bottles, cups, cutlery and drinking straws in council buildings, or council supported venues, wherever possible; promoting the use of non-plastic recyclable and re-usable alternatives e.g. paper straws to ensure our venues remain accessible to those with additional needs.**
- 3. Encourage traders in Portsmouth to sell re-usable containers and invite customers to bring their own. Consider introducing a 'window sticker' scheme to accredit local businesses that are committed to reducing plastic waste e.g. offering free water bottle refills.**
- 4. Investigate the possibility of requiring pop-up food and drink vendors at council supported events to avoid single use plastics as a condition of their contract; with a view to phasing out all single use plastics at markets and events in the City by the end of 2020 to allow small businesses and vendors, often small family run businesses an appropriate window of time to be able to adapt their businesses without a negative impact by moving to recyclable and eco-friendly materials.**
- 5. Work with tenants in commercial properties owned by Portsmouth City Council to encourage the phasing out of single use plastic cups, bottles, cutlery and straws.**
- 6. Investigate introducing a Portsmouth branded range of re-usable cups and water bottles for sale across Portsmouth City Council retail outlets, including Waterfront Gifts and work with independent businesses to investigate a loyalty scheme for re-**

**useable coffee cup users to encourage the wider use of re-usable receptacles.**

- 7. Continue to investigate the set-up of a city-wide 'Water re-fill' scheme, which will complement the new water refill stations soon to be installed across the city.**
- 8. Support Plastic Free Coastlines with the aim of being recognised as a Plastic Free City by 2019; committing to plastic free alternatives; supporting plastic free initiatives within the City and providing a named representative from the council to sit on the Portsmouth Plastic Free Coastlines steering group.**

**11. Questions from Members under Standing Order No 17**

There were no questions before council.

The meeting concluded at 7.35 pm.

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Lord Mayor