

City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

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DATE: FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2013

The Members' Information Service produced in the Customer, Community & Democratic Services Unit has been prepared in three parts:

Part 1 - Decisions by the Cabinet and individual Cabinet Members, subject to Councillors' right to have the matter called in for scrutiny.

Part 2 - Proposals from Managers which they would like to implement subject to Councillors' right to have the matter referred to the relevant Cabinet Member or Regulatory Committee; and

Part 3 - Items of general information and news.

Part 1 - Decisions by the Cabinet

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 Panels 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 received by not later than 5 pm on the date shown in the item.

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

	WARD	DECISION	OFFICER CONTACT
1		<p>Cabinet Decision Meeting - 11 November</p> <p>The Cabinet Members made the following decisions:</p> <p>Portsmouth City Council Revenue Budget 2014/15 - Savings and Council Tax Proposals The recommendations were referred to Council for decision on 12 November 2013 so are not subject to call-in.</p> <p>Capital Programme 2013/14 to 2018/19</p> <p>The recommendations were referred to Council for decision on 12 November 2013 so are not subject to call-in</p> <p>Consultation on changes to the allocation of free home-to-school and home-to-college transport assistance</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>The Cabinet Members asked to see the wording of the consultation literature before it was circulated and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted the final consultation proposals set out in Section 5; • Supported the intention to consult from 18th November 2013 and approve the consultation timescale outlined in Section 6; • Noted the content of the consultation document set out in Section 7. 	<p>Joanne Wildsmith, Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283</p> <p>Chris Ward, Head of Finance and S151 Officer</p> <p>Chris Ward, Head of Finance and S151 Officer</p> <p>Julian Wooster, Strategic Director</p>
2		<p>The Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care - 14 November.</p> <p>Councillor Leo Madden noted the following reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reforming how people pay for their care and support - implementing the Dilnot recommendations. • Sexual Health Service • Health protection. <p>As no decisions were made, these items are not subject to call in.</p>	<p>Jane Di Dino Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4060</p>

Part 2 - Proposals from Managers for Implementation

The following proposals have been brought forward. The Managers indicated will exercise their powers to approve the proposal unless a Councillor requests the item be referred for decision to the relevant Cabinet Member or Regulatory Committee. **Your request must be made to democratic@portsmouthcc.gov.uk and must be received by not later than 5 pm on Friday 22 November 2013.**

An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

If you want to know more about a proposal, please contact the Officer indicated.

PORTFOLIO: CHILDREN & EDUCATION

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	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
3		<p><u>Child Sexual Exploitation Service</u></p> <p>Commissioned by:</p> <p>Stephen Kitchman – Head of Children’s Social Care & Safeguarding Kate freeman - Looked After Children Service Commissioning Manager</p> <p>Portsmouth City Council is looking to jointly commission a five year contract for a Child Sexual Exploitation Service.</p> <p>The current contract is due to expire on 31 July 2014.</p> <p>Child sexual exploitation is an issue with a high national profile. In April 2012, the Department for Education published a national Action Plan which places an expectation on Safeguarding Childrens Boards to ensure a local plan is in place. In June 2013 Portsmouth's Action Plan was finalised and one of the points raised is to commission specialist services for CSE across the area and to ensure they have sufficient capacity to provide effective service in light of the levels of need identified.</p> <p>We are planning a joint procurement with Southampton City Council. The anticipated benefits of a joint approach are reduced overhead/admin and management costs, shared workers as children often move between the 2 cities and will benefit from the same worker and shared intelligence with Hampshire police who cover both areas. This will enhance the disruption activity of perpetrators.</p>	<p>Aly Hampshire Contracts Officer (Children and Families) Tel: 9284 1602</p>

PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY HEAD OF PLANNING SERVICES

The City Development Manager will exercise her powers to determine the following applications in accordance with the proposed decision for each application unless a Councillor requests the application be referred for decision to Committee.

Your request should be made to the **City Development Manager** by telephoning **Julie Watson** (☎023 9283 4826 or 023 9283 4339 answerphone) and must be received by not later than **5 pm on Friday 22 November 2013**. You can also make contact by letter or by e-mail to - planningreps@portsmouthcc.gov.uk - If you wish to know more about a particular application, please contact the Case Officer indicated.

Item No	Application No Ward	Location Description of Development	Planning Officer's Comments	Case Officer Proposed Decision
4	13/00992/PLAREG Drayton & Farlington	80 First Avenue Portsmouth Retrospective application for the construction of replacement detached garage, raised patio and decking, raised lawn and part screening to side boundaries to rear of property	<p>One letter of representation has been received from the occupiers of the adjoining property to the east (No.82 First Avenue). Their objection, relating solely to the raised patio, decking and screening, can be summarised as follows: a) Loss of privacy; b) Loss of outlook; c) Accuracy of the submitted drawings; and d) Impact on property value. Impact on property value is not a material planning consideration.</p> <p>This application seeks retrospective permission for the construction of replacement detached garage, raised patio, decking and lawn, and screening to side boundaries. Prior to submission the applicant reduced part of the decking in height to minimise its impact on the adjoining occupiers to the east. Whilst the resulting structure is still raised above natural ground level, the stepped nature of structure limits the practical use of the patio to a single section immediately adjacent to the rear extension with is finished with full height and width folding patio doors.</p> <p>It is considered that with the inclusion of a condition requiring the retention of the screening to the east and western boundaries the resultant decking it not significantly harmful to the amenity of the adjoining occupiers, in terms of loss of privacy immediately to the rear of the adjoining properties to sustain a reason for refusal. In addition it is considered that the screening does not have a significant adverse impact on the amenity of the adjoining occupiers in terms of loss of light, outlook or increased sense of enclosure. It is accepted that the raised patio does offer views towards the southern extent of the adjoining gardens. However, these areas tend to be less private than those immediately adjacent to the rear of the dwelling, and are already overlooked by first and ground floor windows as a consequence of the slight gradient on the sites.</p> <p>The applicant has been advised of minor discrepancies within the submitted drawings and amendments have been requested prior to determination.</p>	<p>Gary Christie</p> <p>Tel: 023 92688592</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

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5	13/01006/FUL St Thomas	<p>5 Waterloo Street Southsea</p> <p>Change of use from house in multiple occupation (Class C4) to purposes falling within Class C3 (dwelling house) or Class C4 (house in multiple occupation)</p>	<p>One letter of representation has been received from Leasehold & Commercial Services of the City Council's Housing Service as freeholder of the building objecting to the application. The grounds of objection are; (a) noise and disruption, (b) increased foot traffic on communal walk ways and internal stairwells; (c) increased wear and tear to communal areas and properties would result in higher service charges to leaseholders and repair costs for the Housing Service, (d) greater pressure for residential parking which is already at a premium within the local area, and (e) higher levels of refuse being contained within the block and communal bin areas.</p> <p>This application seeks planning permission for a change of use of the property to purposes falling within Class C3 (dwelling house) or Class C4 (House in Multiple Occupation (HMO)). The interchange between Class C3 and Class C4 would normally be permitted development within the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended). However, on 1st November 2011 an Article 4 Direction relating to HMOs came into force. As such, planning permission is now required in order to interchange between the uses of a Class C3 dwelling house and a Class C4 HMO where between three and six unrelated people share at least a kitchen and/or a bathroom. The property is currently in use as a Class C4 (House in Multiple Occupation (HMO)).</p> <p>It is generally considered that the level of activity associated with the use of any individual property as a Class C4 HMO is unlikely to be materially different to the use of a single household as a Class C3 dwelling house occupied by either a single family or other groups living as a single household. Therefore, it is considered that the proposal would not adversely affect the living conditions of the occupiers of the adjoining properties or put increased pressure on other Council departments. Other legislation beyond the planning system is available to address concerns relating to noise, disturbance and anti-social behaviour.</p>	<p>Owen Devine</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4876</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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6	Charles Dickens	<p>3 St Michaels Road</p> <p>This is to inform members that the property at 3 St Michaels Road Portsmouth is to be appropriated from the Leaders portfolio to the Housing Revenue Account which the Housing Portfolio starting 1st April 2013. This follows the surrender of a 60 year lease by First Wessex Housing. The property is valued at £210,000. The property will continue to provide supported living accommodation for the residents of Portsmouth. A plan of the property can be obtained from Jeff Short in Housing Service and Property Services.</p>	<p>Jeff Short Business Manager Housing Service and Property Services Tel: 9284 1737</p>
7	All	<p>Reducing the Strength</p> <p>It is estimated that alcohol misuse costs the NHS, criminal justice service and employers £74 million annually in Portsmouth. A large percentage of this can be attributed to the availability of super-strength alcohol. Portsmouth also has one of the highest rates of alcohol related hospital admissions in the South East region.</p> <p>Action is being taken to reduce these figures and make Portsmouth a healthier and safer place to live and work. A new initiative to reduce sales of super-strength beer and cider is being rolled out locally, after having been successfully implemented in Ipswich and Weymouth.</p> <p>'Reducing the Strength', the new initiative, led by Portsmouth City Council and Hampshire Constabulary, aims to encourage local off-licenses to stop selling super-strength beer or cider (anything over 6.5% in volume, excluding premium products).</p> <p>Local off-licences currently selling alcohol over 6.5% have been visited by representatives from the council and Hampshire Constabulary. To date, 14 shops have signed a pre-confirmation agreement, meaning they have agreed to take the alcohol off their shelves and work with the council and police to do this effectively.</p> <p>This campaign is supported by Portsmouth City Council, Hampshire Constabulary and Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust.</p>	<p>Alan Knobel, Health, Safety and Licensing, Tel: 9268 8581</p>

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8		<p>Licensing Sub Committee - Wednesday 20 November 2013 at 9.30am in the executive meeting room, floor 3 of The Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The sub-committee will consider the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following the exclusion of the press and public, Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 & Town Police Clauses Act 1847 - Consideration of Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence - Mr H • In open session, Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the variation of a premises licence - Milton Road Service Station, 144-160 Milton Road, Portsmouth, PO4 8PH • Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the variation of a premises licence - Carluccio's, Unit R20, Blake House, Gunwharf Quays, Portsmouth, PO1 3TH. 	<p>Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>
9		<p>Licensing Policy Committee - Friday 22 November 2013 at 9.30am in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3 of The Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The committee will consider the following reports;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Review of Licensing Fees 	<p>Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>
10		<p>Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration and Economic Development portfolio - Decision Meeting - Monday 25th November 2013 at 12 noon in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3 of The Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>Councillor Mike Hancock CBE MP will make a decision on the following items;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking Standards SPD - Draft for consultation • Annual Monitoring Report 2012/13 • Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment 2013 Update • Portsmouth and the Visitor Economy 	<p>Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>
11		<p>The Education, Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel - 25 November.</p> <p>The meeting scheduled for 25 November has been postponed to Monday 16 December at 7pm.</p>	<p>Jane Di Dino Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4060</p>