City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

NO 47 DATE: FRIDAY 22 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

THERE ARE NO PART ONE ITEMS THIS WEEK

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 29 November 2013.

An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

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

PORTFOLIO: RESOURCES

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	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
1	Charles Dickens	Civic Chillers and Cooling Towers	John Bean Head of Building
		Proposal: that £53,000 be transferred from the Landlord Maintenance revenue budget to the Capital project to finance the changing of the Civic Offices' chillers.	Maintenance Tel: 9283 4651
		The Civic chillers are being changed as part of the 2013/14 Land Lord Maintenance Capital programme as they operate with a coolant that will become illegal in 2014. Following an inspection by the Health & Safety Executive (HSE) of the Cooling Towers on the 23 October it was agreed with the HSE that the replacement chillers should be a 'dry system' rather than the existing 'wet system' which has a far greater risk of legionella.	
		Subsequently the existing 'wet system' plant will need to be decommissioned and removed from the Civic Offices' roof.	

PORTFOLIO: PLANNING, REGENERATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
2		Commercial Port - Annual Review of Dues, Rates and Charges	Julie Shotbolt
		Proposal: that the Schedule of Dues, Rates and Charges for the Commercial Port, which have been reviewed for 2014/2015, be approved and implemented with effect from 1 April 2014.	Senior Port Accountant Tel: 9285 5916
		The proposed Dues, Rates and Charges are the current charges adjusted and rounded to the nearest convenient unit of charge.	101. 3200 0310
		A copy of the proposed Dues, Rates and Charges booklet and a full report are available in the Members' Room.	

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** (23 9283 4826 or 023 9283 4339 answerphone) and must be received by not later than **5pm** on **Friday 29 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
3	13/01068/HOU St Thomas	11 Bath Square Portsmouth PO1 2JL Construction of additional storey and formation of roof terrace (resubmission of 13/00692/HOU)	Three letters of representation objecting to this application have been received. These are based upon the grounds that; a) Any alterations should retain the design and structure of the original roof in order to be considered acceptable; b) The proposed flat roof would constitute an inappropriate addition to this Grade II Listed Building; c) The proposed alterations to the roof are unacceptable in principle; d) Whilst several neighbouring property have previously had similar alterations, these are unlisted and similar alterations to this property should not be permitted simply because a precedent has been set; and e) this proposal does not comply with the aims and objectives of policies PCS9 and PCS23 of the Portsmouth Plan. This proposal seeks permission for the construction of an additional storey and the formation of a roof terrace. This proposal has been the subject of negotiation to secure design alterations to the proposed scheme. As such, the proposed additional storey and roof terrace is considered to be of an appropriate style and scale to ensure that they would be acceptable in design terms and preserve the special architectural and historic interest of the Grade II Listed Building. Furthermore, the proposed alterations would not give rise to any significant impacts on the residential amenities of the adjoining occupiers by virtue of loss of light, overlooking or overbearing relationship. Subsequently, this proposal is considered acceptable in design terms in accordance with policy PCS23 of the Portsmouth Plan.	Laura Grimason Tel: 023 9284 1470 Conditional Permission

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5	13/01150/ADV Central Southsea	163 Goldsmith Avenue Southsea Hampshire Display of illuminated fascia signs to front and side elevation	One letter of representation has been received from a resident of Fernhurst Road to the south objecting on the grounds of: (a) Light pollution; (b) Impact on residential amenity; and (c) Need for the sign. Advertisement consent is sought for the display of illuminated signage replacing existing non-illuminated signage on a commercial building. One would be installed to the northern elevation of the main building fronting Goldsmith Avenue. The two larger advertisements would be installed to a canopy feature at the front of the building which is set back from the side elevation of the main building. As such it is considered that the proposal would not have a significant adverse impact on the amenity of nearby residents. The level of illumination can be controlled through a suitably worded planning condition having regard to the character of the area along Goldsmith Avenue which includes a number of existing illuminated advertisements. Advertisements applications must only be assessed in the interests of amenity and public safety. The need for the signs are not matters to be considered within this application.	Gary Christie Tel: 023 92688592 Conditional Consent

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6		 Licensing Sub Committee - 20 November 2013 The committee took the following decisions: 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 was adjourned until 11 December at his request. Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the variation of a premises licence - Milton Road Service Station, 144-160 Milton Road, Portsmouth, PO4 8PH. The application was not heard and relisted for 11 December 2013. Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the variation of a premises licence - Carluccio's, Unit R20, Blake House, Gunwharf Quays, Portsmouth, PO1 3TH. The variation was granted as applied for subject to two variations. 	Lucy Wingham Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4662
7		Licensing Committee - 22 November 2013 DECISION: the Licensing Committee agreed to postpone making a decision so as to allow the Licensing Manager to prepare and submit a financial briefing for members in relation to income and expenditure for the licensing budget and also to consult fully with the trade representatives. The Committee will meet again in December to consider the matter.	Lucy Wingham Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4662
8		Cabinet - Monday 2 December 2013 at 12 noon in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3, Guildhall The Cabinet is due to consider the following reports: Review of the Portsmouth Youth Offending Team Three Year Youth Justice Strategic Plan 2012-15 Equality & Diversity Strategy 2014-17 Under Occupation - response to Notice of Motion of July 2013 Portsmouth Parking Strategy Textile Banks - Allocation of Income Budget Performance Monitoring 2013/14 (2 nd Quarter) to end September 2013 Quarter 2 Treasury Management Mid Year Review 2013/14 Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH) Overview & Scrutiny Committee Appointment	Joanne Wildsmith Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4057

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9		Employment Committee – Tuesday 3 December 2013	Vicki Plytas Senior Local
		The Chair of the Employment committee has cancelled the meeting that had been scheduled for 3 December owing to lack of urgent business.	Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4058
10		Training for all members of the Planning Committee, including standing deputies	Lucy Wingham Local Democracy
		In consultation with the chair, Councillor Fuller, the City Development Manager has arranged for a member training session, for all members of the Planning Committee including standing deputies, on Friday 29 November at 4pm (for approximately an hour), to be held in the planning service conference room, which is on floor 5 core 6 in the Civic Offices. This session will cover 'What is a material consideration and what weight do we give this consideration(s)' and 'What forms an effective planning refusal'.	Officer Tel: 9283 4662
11	Eastney & Craneswater	Southsea Leisure Park Melville Road Southsea PO4 9TB Appeal Ref: 12/01047/ADV Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Decision Date: 14 th November 2013	Peter George Planning Services Tel: 9283 4326
		An appeal was lodged against the refusal of planning permission for the display of one illuminated freestanding sign	
		This application was dealt with at a hearing and the Inspector decided to dismiss the appeal.	
12	St Thomas	28 Montgomerie Road Southsea PO5 1ED	Simon Barnett Planning Services
		Appeal Ref: 13/00852/FUL Appeal Start Date: 15 th November 2013	9284 1281
		An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for the conversion to form 3 flats	
		This appeal will be dealt with by the written representation procedure.	
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13	Paulsgrove	81 Leominster Road Portsmouth PO6 4BY Appeal Ref: 13/00389/FUL Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Decision Date: 14 th November 2013	Simon Barnett Planning Services Tel: 9284 1281	
		An appeal was lodged against the refusal of planning permission for the construction of a 3- storey building abutting No.81 Leominster Road to form 3 flats with new access onto Mortimer Road (resubmission of 12/00983/FUL)		
		The appeal was dealt with by the written representation procedure and the Inspector decided to dismiss the appeal.		
14		Highways PFI Contract	Barni Fry	
		The 25 year highways Public Finance Initiative (PFI) contract (let in 2004) is the largest contract that the council has let, and the city has benefited from a major upgrade of the highway network within the first five years of the contract. However, due to the effect of high levels of inflation experienced in the contract and reductions in central government grants, savings now need to be found over the life of the contract, which has a current remaining lifetime value of £542m, to ensure that it is affordable.	Transport & Environment Tel: 9284 1087	
		To maximise the council's ability to extract savings from the contract, it is important that the process is effectively and expertly resourced. This approach has been endorsed by the Department for Transport, Her Majesty's Treasury and Local Partnerships (public sector consultancy).		
		The process will involve identifying areas where savings can be made and how best to achieve this. This will then be followed by detailed negotiations with the contractor and other stakeholders.		
		The complex nature of the contract and expert understanding how savings can be realised will require extensive specialist resources. These resources include a full contract review and a temporary dedicated Project Director to lead the negotiations. The Director will also require the in-house support of legal, commercial, finance and insurance specialists. These resources are necessary for the council to maximise the opportunity to realise the necessary savings.		
		The S151 Officer has approved, in consultation with the Leader of the Council to release £350,000 from the council's central contingency provision to fund the review and negotiation phase of the project and that this sum be released, as required, over 2013/14 and 2014/15.		

LICENSING ACT 2003 – APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY

The Licensing Authority has received the following applications in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003. The table below outlines the premises location, a brief description of the application and the closing date by which responsible authorities or other persons may make representations.

Members should be aware that representations may only be made on the grounds of one or more of the licensing objectives. These are: "the prevention of crime and disorder", "the prevention of public nuisance", "public safety" and "the protection of children from harm". Any representation must be in writing and should, where possible, include evidence to support the licensing objectives. Representations should not be frivolous or vexatious.

If you have any queries relating to any of the applications outlined below, please contact the Licensing Section, Telephone number: 023 9283 4607 or email: Licensing@portsmouthcc.gov.uk.

Item No	Ward	Licence No:	Premises Name and Address	Brief description of application:	Closing date for representations:
15	Baffins	13/04686/ LAPREM	Copnor Grill 18 Tangier Road Copnor Portsmouth PO3 6JL	Grant of a Premises Licence Late Night Refreshment Sun-Thurs 23:00 until 23:30 Fri-Sat 23:00 until 00:30	11/12/13
16	Hilsea	13/04655/ LAPREM	Red Hot Chilli 116 London Road North End Portsmouth PO2 0LZ	Grant of a Premises Licence Sale of Alcohol Mon-Sun from 11:00 until 23:00	09/12/13