

# City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

**NO 10**

**DATE: FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2013**

The Members' Information Service produced in the Customer, Community & Democratic Services Unit by Joanne Wildsmith 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 JOANNE WILD SMITH (Local Democracy Officer) 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](http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk)

	<b>WARD</b>	<b>DECISION</b>	<b>OFFICER CONTACT</b>
<b>1</b>		<b>Cabinet - 4 March</b>  The following decisions were taken:-  <b>Safer Portsmouth Partnership Plan (SPP) 2013-18</b>  RECOMMENDED to Council that it endorses the strategic priorities contained in the Safer Portsmouth Partnership plan 2013-18	<b>Joanne Wildsmith Customer, Community &amp; Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4057</b>

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Contd/...	<p><b>Portchester Castle to Emsworth Coastal Flood and Erosion Risk Management Strategy - Adoption of Final Strategy</b></p> <p>A small working group chaired by Councillor Hugh Mason would meet prior to the council meeting of 19 March to discuss the issues raised by this paper with particular reference to the preservation of Farlington Marshes.</p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) that the Council adopts the preferred policy option as policy for the Portchester to Paulsgrove Frontage : Hold The Existing Defence Line – Improve;</li> <li>(2) that the Council adopts the preferred policy option as policy for the Horsea Island Frontage: Hold the Existing Defence Line – Maintain;</li> <li>(3) that the Council adopts the preferred policy option as policy for the M27 &amp; Farlington Marsh Frontage: M27 - Hold the Existing Defence Line - Sustain Farlington Marshes - Hold the Existing Defence Line - Maintain for 20 years with further detailed studies required to determine the preferred long-term preference to either Sustain or implement a Managed Realignment scheme and;</li> <li>(4) that the Council supports the options for the Strategy frontages on which the Environment Agency, Fareham Borough Council, Havant Borough Council and Chichester District Council are the responsible operating authorities. (A map of the strategy frontage can be found in Appendix 1.)</li> </ol> <p><b>Site Allocations Development Plans Document (DPD)</b></p> <p>The Assistant Head of Planning Services reported three minor errors within the site descriptions and the amendments to these were accepted.</p> <p><b>DECISIONS:</b></p> <p>The Cabinet</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) approved the draft Site Allocations DPD for public consultation;</li> </ol>	

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Contd/...	<p>(2) authorised the Assistant Head of Planning to make editorial amendments to the DPD (attached as Appendix A to the report) prior to publication, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration &amp; Economic Development. (These amendments shall be restricted to correcting errors and formatting text and shall not alter the meaning of the statement).</p> <p>(3) noted the results of the sustainability appraisal and Habitats Regulation Assessment reports.</p> <p><b>Local Transport Plan 3 (LPT3) Implementation Plan 2013/14</b></p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>The Cabinet approved the implementation plan for onward consideration by full Council.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED that the Council</p> <p>(1) approves the implementation plan;</p> <p>(2) delegates authority to the Head of Transport &amp; Environment in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Traffic &amp; Transportation, the Strategic Director for Regeneration and the Section 151 Officer to seek any minor amendments to the implementation plan that may be required to take account of future funding changes and policy announcements.</p> <p><b>Treasury Management Policy for 2013/14</b></p> <p>The recommendations as contained within the report were forwarded to council for approval and are not therefore subject to call-in.</p> <p><b>Salix Finance Limited Energy Efficiency Loan Scheme</b></p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>That delegated authority be given to the Head of Finance and Section 151 Officer to approve energy efficiency projects funded through Salix Finance Limited loans following confirmation from the Head of Housing &amp; Property Services that the projects are compliant with the utilities category management plan.</p>	

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2	Contd/...	<p><b>Public Toilet Provision</b></p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>(1) the overall strategy for public toilets in Portsmouth, as detailed in Appendix 1 of this report was accepted;</p> <p>(2) the proposals for public toilets, as highlighted in section 8 of this report, and detailed in appendix 4, were accepted. (This includes the facility at Eastney Point remaining open until a suitable alternative is available.)</p> <p><b>Dates of Cabinet Meetings for Next Municipal Year (Information Item)</b></p> <p>The following dates for scheduled meetings for the next municipal year were noted:</p> <table data-bbox="398 730 985 912"> <tr> <td>3 June</td> <td>6 January 2014</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 July</td> <td>3 February</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7 October</td> <td>3 March</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4 November</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 December</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p><b>NB Call-in date: Tuesday 12 March 2013 and is only applicable for items not going forward to Council.</b></p> <p><b>The Cabinet Member for Resources Decision Meeting - 7 March</b></p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Hugh Mason, received and noted information on the following item:</p> <p><b>Monitoring of the Third Quarter 2012/13 Revenue Cash Limits and Capital Programme</b> Decisions were not taken on this item and it is not therefore subject to call-in.</p>	3 June	6 January 2014	1 July	3 February	7 October	3 March	4 November		2 December		<p><b>Vicki Plytas Customer, Community &amp; Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4058</b></p>
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Contd/...	<p><b>Support for the Voluntary and Community Sector 2013/2014</b></p> <p>DECISION: The Cabinet Member for Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agreed the allocation of funding for 2013/2014 in appendices 1-5 of the report.</li> <li>• Suggested that Directorates who have reduced levels of funding to Voluntary &amp; Community Organisations should meet with them to discuss other funding sources &amp; monitor the impact of reduction in services, following the principles of the Portsmouth Compact and best value guidance issued by the Department of Local Government and Communities.</li> </ul> <p><b>NB Call-in date: Friday 15 March 2013</b></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 JOANNE WILDSMITH (Local Democracy Officer) and must be received by not later than 5 pm on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013 .**  
**An email or handwritten letter will suffice.**

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

### **PORTFOLIO: TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION**

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	<b>WARD</b>	<b>SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL</b>	<b>OFFICER CONTACT</b>																				
3		<p><b>New Traffic Regulation Order: The Portsmouth City Council (Various Roads) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Amendments to Waiting Restrictions) (No.5) Order 2013</b></p> <p><b>Proposal that:</b> A new Traffic Regulation Order be introduced to address parking issues in various roads citywide. Public consultation is a statutory requirement when proposals are put forward, and this will take place between 11<sup>th</sup> March - 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2013.</p> <p><u>Council's reasons for the Order</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) To introduce parking restrictions in various roads across the city to improve road safety, pedestrian safety, visibility and traffic management, especially access for the emergency services, public services, delivery vehicles and refuse collection vehicles</li> <li>(ii) To amend and introduce parking restrictions to accommodate local needs and make the most effective use of the public highway</li> <li>(iii) To reduce and/or remove parking restrictions where they are no longer required</li> </ul> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;"><u>Wards</u></td> <td style="width: 50%;"><u>Roads</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Baffins</td> <td>Hayling Avenue, Langstone Road</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Central Southsea</td> <td>Fawcett Road</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Copnor</td> <td>Burcote Drive</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cosham</td> <td>Halstead Road, Hilary Avenue, Old Wymering Lane, Pebmarsh Road</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Drayton &amp; Farlington</td> <td>London Road (outside Christ Church, Portsdown)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fratton</td> <td>Kingston Road</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Milton</td> <td>Milton Lane/Specks Lane</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nelson</td> <td>Stamshaw Road</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St Jude</td> <td>Clarendon Road</td> </tr> </table>	<u>Wards</u>	<u>Roads</u>	Baffins	Hayling Avenue, Langstone Road	Central Southsea	Fawcett Road	Copnor	Burcote Drive	Cosham	Halstead Road, Hilary Avenue, Old Wymering Lane, Pebmarsh Road	Drayton & Farlington	London Road (outside Christ Church, Portsdown)	Fratton	Kingston Road	Milton	Milton Lane/Specks Lane	Nelson	Stamshaw Road	St Jude	Clarendon Road	<p><b>Nikki Musson</b>  <b>Parking and</b>  <b>Transport Planning</b>  <b>Officer</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4461</b></p>
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## PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY HEAD OF PLANNING SERVICES

The Head of Planning Services will exercise his 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 **Assistant Head of Planning Services** by telephoning **Julie Watson** (☎023 9283 4826 or 023 9283 4339 answerphone) and must be received by not later than **5 pm on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013**. You can also make contact by letter or by e-mail to - [planningreps@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto: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	13/00053/FUL  Nelson	<p><b>27 Havant Road Portsmouth PO2 7HH</b></p> <p>Construction of two-storey building comprising 2 flats fronting Basin Street and two-storey building to form single dwelling house fronting Havant Road with associated amenity areas, bin &amp; cycle storage, after demolition of existing buildings (Re-submission of 12/00249/FUL)</p>	<p>This application was reported on last week's MIS (1/3/13). Two additional representations, one further comment from a previous objector and one clarifying the extent of a previous objection have been received. A total of six objections have now been received from local residents on the following grounds: development out of character with area; inappropriate relationship with adjacent properties; increased noise and disturbance; inadequate parking and exacerbation of existing parking problems; inadequate drainage infrastructure; and impact of construction works.</p> <p>The application site comprises an irregularly shaped parcel of land with a narrow frontage to Havant Road and a much larger frontage to Basin Street at the rear. A workshop for the repair of vehicles occupies the entire site, which has a two-storey scale/massing to the rear. The proposal would involve the redevelopment of the site for residential purposes with an infill terraced house being built fronting Havant Road and a two-storey building comprising two flats to the rear fronting Basin Street. Having regard to the nature of the existing industrial use and the scale of the existing building it is considered that the proposal would reduce the potential for noise and disturbance to neighbours and not have any greater impact on amenity. It is considered that the proposal is appropriate in design terms and would not appear at odds with the character of the area. Whilst the proposed redevelopment would not include any parking, regard must be had to the level of demand for parking associated with the existing use and that an additional on-street space could be provided in Havant Road following the removal of the existing dropped kerb. Having regard also to the location of the site within 100 metres of the Kingston Road Local Centre and proximity to a high frequency bus corridor it is considered a refusal on parking grounds could not be justified. It is accepted that building works can lead to temporary issues with noise and disturbance; however this in itself could not be a reason to withhold planning permission.</p>	<p>Simon Barnett</p> <p>Tel: 023 9284 1281</p> <p><b>Conditional Permission</b></p>



## Part 3 - Information and News Items

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	WARD		OFFICER CONTACT
5		<p><b>Collective Energy Switching</b></p> <p>A briefing on Collective Energy Switching was discussed at Cabinet on 12 November 2012 which approved the recommendations to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>investigate the benefits of a Portsmouth scheme;</li> <li>work with other local authorities to identify economies of scale; and</li> <li>to submit a bid to the DECC Cheaper Energy Together Fund.</li> </ol> <p>A bid was submitted to the DECC Cheaper Energy Together Fund but unfortunately was not accepted. Work has continued with other local authorities and the Climate Change and Sustainability Co-ordinator, is involved in the tender process for a Hampshire wide scheme - provisionally called "Switch Hampshire".</p> <p>A switching scheme delivered across the whole of Hampshire would provide the benefit of strengthening the bargaining power with the energy companies to get the lowest energy price possible for our residents. Residents would then be able to easily switch energy provider and access cheaper bills.</p> <p>Delivering a switching scheme in Portsmouth as part of a wider Hampshire programme could also be delivered at no cost to PCC except the resources needed for local promotion. Members would be encouraged to promote a future scheme as widely as possible.</p>	<p><b>Jasmine Fletcher</b>  <b>Climate Change &amp; Sustainability</b>  <b>Co-ordinator</b>  <b>Tel: 9268 8156</b></p>
6		<p><b>Health Overview &amp; Scrutiny Panel - Thursday 14 March 2013 at 1.00pm in the Executive Meeting Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, the Guildhall, Portsmouth (PLEASE NOTE THE TIME OF THE MEETING)</b></p> <p>The panel will consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information update - Exbury ward closure (minute numbers 2012/ 22, 2012/ 41, 2013/ 06)</li> <li>Portsmouth Hospitals' NHS Trust Update</li> <li>Public Health in Portsmouth and Portsmouth's Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy</li> <li>Southampton, Hampshire, Isle of Wight and Portsmouth (SHIP) PCTs Cluster's Update</li> <li>Addressing alcohol misuse amongst older people and students</li> <li>Healthwatch</li> <li>Proposal for themed meetings in 2013/14</li> </ul>	<p><b>Karen Martin</b>  <b>Customer, Community &amp; Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4052</b></p>

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7		<p><b>Governance &amp; Audit &amp; Standards Committee Meeting and Training - 14 March</b></p> <p>A meeting of Governance and Audit and Standards Committee will be held on <b>Thursday 14 March 2013 at 2pm in Conference Room A, Second Floor, Civic Offices, Portsmouth</b> when the following items will be considered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• External Audit Progress Report</li> <li>• External Audit Plan</li> <li>• Treasury Management Policy for 2013/14</li> <li>• Audit Performance Status Report to 15 February 2013 for Audit Plan 2012/13 and Proposed Audit Coverage update for 2013/14</li> <li>• Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA)</li> <li>• Whistleblowing Policy Changes Report</li> <li>• Health and Wellbeing Board Constitution</li> <li>• Annual Governance Progress</li> <li>• The Appointment of Independent Persons for the Municipal Years 2013 to 2016</li> <li>• Outcome of investigation into a complaint against a Member (Exempt report)</li> </ul> <p><b>PLEASE NOTE that training will be given from 1pm in conference room a on whistleblowing and the procedure for dealing with code of conduct complaints.</b> This is primarily for members and standing deputies of the Governance and Audit and Standards Committee, but all members are welcome to attend.</p>	<p><b>Vicki Plytas</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4058</b></p>
8		<p><b>Cabinet Member for Housing's Decision Meeting - Tuesday 12 March at 4pm in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3 of the Guildhall</b></p> <p>Councillor Wylie, Cabinet Member for Housing, will be considering the following reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Birmingham Blocks External Refurbishment</li> <li>• Gerard and Loring House External Refurbishment</li> <li>• Eastern Road Fire Doors</li> <li>• Lakes Blocks Area Fire Doors and Belney House Windows</li> <li>• Council Housing Maintenance &amp; Improvements and Housing IT Business Software 2013/14</li> <li>• Delivering Replacement Homes</li> </ul>	<p><b>Joanne Wildsmith</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4057</b></p>

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9		<p><b>Licensing Sub Committee - 6 March 2013</b></p> <p>The sub-committee made the following decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the grant of a premises licence - <b>Former Devonshire Arms, 29 Devonshire Avenue, Portsmouth, PO4 9EA</b>. The premises licence was granted as applied for so as to permit the supply of alcohol daily from 0600 hours until 2300 hours for consumption off of the premises. The premises to be open to the public daily for the same times.</li> <li>• Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the grant of a premises licence - <b>Tesco Store, 106A Eastney Road, Portsmouth, PO4 9HZ</b>. The premises licence was granted as amended at the hearing so as to permit the supply of alcohol daily from 0700 hours to 2300 hours for consumption off of the premises. The premises to be open to the public daily for the same times.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Lucy Wingham</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4662</b></p>
10		<p><b>Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation's Decision Meeting - Thursday 14 March 2013 at 10.00am in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3 of the Guildhall</b></p> <p>Councillor Jason Fazackarley will consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traffic Regulation Order: The Portsmouth City Council (University of Portsmouth car parks) (Off-Street Parking Places) (No.2) Order 2013</li> <li>• Traffic Regulation Order: The Portsmouth City Council (Various Roads) (Disabled Persons' Parking Places) (Amendments) (No.4) Order 2013</li> <li>• Tendered Bus Routes - New Contracts From 9 June 2013</li> <li>• Local Sustainable Transport Fund</li> </ul>	<p><b>Lucy Wingham</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4662</b></p>