

City of Portsmouth

MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

NO 51

DATE: FRIDAY 21 DECEMBER 2012

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 WILDSMITH (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

	WARD	DECISION	OFFICER CONTACT
1	All	<p>Cabinet Member for Culture Leisure & Sport's decision meeting - Friday 14 December</p> <p>Councillor Lee Hunt made decisions on the following items:</p> <p>Findings of the study exploring the transfer of Cumberland House to the third sector</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>(1) It was noted that none of the options save the council money and that it is a common misconception that a transfer to a trust will do so.</p> <p>(2) It was noted that whatever option is chosen Cumberland House needs capital investment.</p> <p>(3) It was noted that Cumberland House is unlikely to be viable as a standalone trust without maintaining revenue funding at present, in fact slightly uplifted, levels.</p> <p>(4) That officers pursue Option 2, as an interim measure, increasing the involvement of volunteers at Cumberland House in frontline roles to free up paid staff to focus on events and exhibition programming and the development of the museum offer.</p> <p>(5) That officers further investigate Option 4, to explore the creation of a wider trust incorporating the attractions and facilities of the Canoe Lake Park. There is no budget for this work and the costs associated with the proposal have yet to be identified. A further report to update the Cabinet Member will be brought forward when more detailed information is available.</p> <p>(6) That Julia Holberry is thanked for her excellent options appraisal report.</p>	<p>Karen Martin Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4052</p> <p>Dr Jane Mee Museums and Records Manager Tel: 9282 7261</p>

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	Hilsea	A BMX Track for Portsmouth DECISION: The Cabinet Member for Culture Leisure & Sport authorised the next stage of the BMX project to explore the proposals to develop a BMX track on the land south of the creek near to Hilsea Lido.	Chris Richards, Community Projects Officer Tel: 9283 4810
	All	Portsmouth's Big Library Card DECISIONS: (1) That the Library Service continues to issue library cards to Local Education Authority Reception pupils on an annual basis to ensure that all school age children have direct access to library services. (2) That Portsmouth Libraries will participate in the Arts Council funded scheme to shared best practice and lessons learned based on 2012 project delivery. <u>Items for Information only</u> No decisions were made on the following three items and they are not subject to call in.	Lindy Elliott Library Service Manager Tel: 9268 8058
	All	The Arthur Conan Doyle Collection	Claire Looney Tel: 9283 4185
	All	Audio Book Download Service	Lindy Elliott Tel: 9268 8058
	All	Update on Get Involved! Volunteer Project	Dr Jane Mee Tel: 9282 7261
		NB Call-in date for decision items: Thursday 27 December 2012.	

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2		<p>Cabinet Member for Children & Education – 18 December 2012</p> <p>The Cabinet Member has made the following decisions:-</p> <p>Admissions Consultation 2014/15</p> <p>The Cabinet Member agreed changes on admissions policies and scheme for community and voluntary controlled schools 2014/15, in order to go out to public consultation by 1 January 2013 and approved the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix 1a and 1b - Co-ordinated Scheme for the Primary and Secondary Transfer groups 2014/15. • Appendix 2 - Secondary community schools admission policy • Appendix 3 - Infant community schools admissions policy • Appendix 4 - Junior community school admissions policy • Appendix 5 - Primary community and voluntary schools admission policy <p>School Organisation Plan 2012–18 Commissioning of school places and determining capital investment and school re-organisation priorities</p> <p>(1) The Cabinet Member noted the summary of the feedback received from stakeholders as part of the consultation.</p> <p>(2) The Cabinet Member approved the amended School Organisation Plan 2012-18</p> <p>Forward Plan Omission Agenda Item 6 – Paulsgrove Primary School – Academy Transfer to United Learning Trust (Information Item)</p> <p>The Cabinet Member noted the omission of the item – Paulsgrove Primary School Academy Conversion - from the Forward Plan for 1 November 2012 to 28 February 2013 published by the City Council on 22 November 2012.</p>	<p>Teresa Deasy Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4056</p>

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3	cont'd	<p>Paulsgrove Primary School – Academy Transfer to United Learning Trust</p> <p>The Cabinet Member approved the transfer of land and commercial arrangements relating to Paulsgrove Primary School from Portsmouth City Council to United Learning Trust to enable the school to become an Academy on 1 January 2013.</p> <p>Note: as this decision was taken under the special urgency provisions, the call in arrangements will not apply as per Scrutiny Rules para 15 (f) (ii).</p> <p>NB Call-in date: Friday 28 December 2012</p> <p>Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation Portfolio Decision Meeting – 20 December</p> <p>Councillor Jason Fazackarley made the following decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic Regulation Order: The Portsmouth City Council (Stamshaw Road and Penrose Close) (Redesignation of Parking Scheme) (No.37) Order 2012. <p>The order was approved as advertised with the following adjustments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The section of Stamshaw Road (both sides) to become part of the FG Stamshaw South scheme is the section between London Avenue and Angerstein Road (instead of Derby Road) and subsequently 2. The section of Stamshaw Road (both sides) to remain part of the FD Bevis Road Area scheme is the section between Angerstein Road (instead of Derby Road) and Rudmore Roundabout. <p style="text-align: right;">/Cont'd ...</p>	<p>Lucy Wingham Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4662</p>

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	cont'd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic Regulation Order: The Portsmouth City Council (No.41) Order 2012. Councillor Fazackarley agreed that the order be made as advertised. Smart Ticketing Back Office and Scheme Roll Out. Councillor Fazackarley agreed that Portsmouth City Council (PCC), Southampton City Council (SCC) and Hampshire County Council (HCC) through the Transport for South Hampshire (TfSH) partnership, procure a Smart Ticketing Back Office Asset Management System (AMS)/Host Operations Processing System (HOPS) and possibly Card Management System (CMS); he also approved Southampton City Council as the Lead Authority for TfSH for the functions outlined in recommendation 1. Councillor Fazackarley also agreed that following a full procurement exercise of this scheme, PCC will fully evaluate our costings before a final decision is made on going ahead with this joint scheme. Pedestrian crossing at Eastern Parade. This item had been proposed and included at the request of Councillor Stubbs. Councillor Fazackarley agreed that a traffic site survey be undertaken to enable a pedestrian crossing assessment to be made. <p>NB Call-in date: Thursday 3 January 2013</p>	

Part 2 - Proposals from Managers for Implementation

NB Apart from Planning Applications there are no Part 2 proposals from managers this week.

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 Wednesday 2 January 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	12/01175/ PLAREG Baffins	2 Lindisfarne Court Hayling Avenue Portsmouth Retention of shed and fence	<p>Two letters of objection have been received from local residents objecting on the grounds of noise from activity within the shed; damp caused by the proximity of the shed against the wall; impact on safety (particularly in the event of a fire or gas leak); the shed is unsightly; amount of uncontrolled developments in communal areas; application received after development has taken place; and the shed is located on a communal area.</p> <p>The shed and fence are located to the south side of the building, and the shed, which is of modest size, is partially screened from view from Kimbolton Road.</p> <p>This application was reported on the Members Information Service on 7th December, however a further objection has subsequently been received. It is considered that the retention of the shed and fence does not have a significant adverse impact on the living conditions of the occupiers of the adjoining properties or otherwise have a detrimental impact on the street scene. The planning history of the site demonstrates that there are no other uncontrolled developments in this location. Noise generated from any activity within the shed would be controlled by the Public Protection Service given that it is not used for commercial purposes. Other issues raised by the objectors, which are not material to the consideration of the proposal, would fall within the remit of the applicant as landowner.</p>	<p>Peter George</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4326</p> <p>Permission</p>

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5	12/01059/FUL Eastney & Craneswater	Land Adjacent Cumberland House Eastern Parade Southsea Change of use to form community garden and siting of container for use as shop/storage	<p>A representation has been received from one local resident supporting the principle of the proposed use but raising the following objections: visual impact of proposed shop/store; the viability of the proposal; and adverse effect on safety of vehicle movements through Canoe Lake.</p> <p>The site comprises an unused parcel of land close to Canoe Lake. The proposed use of the site as a community garden for the cultivation of fruit, vegetables and other plants is considered to be in accordance with Policy PCS9 of the Portsmouth Plan which seeks to improve the quality of the seafront and promote leisure uses.</p> <p>The site is located within the Seafront Conservation Area and within a registered historic park as well as being adjacent to the Grade II Listed Cumberland House. The application includes the installation of a portacabin to serve as a secure store and shop for produce grown on the site. The applicant has agreed to clad the structure in a manner similar to that used on other kiosks within the Canoe Lake area. It is considered that the proposed use of the site would enhance the character and appearance of the Conservation Area and preserve the historic interest of Southsea Common. Furthermore it is considered that the proposed use would preserve the setting of Cumberland House.</p> <p>The application site does not benefit from a boundary with a public highway and can only be accessed via Council owned land at Canoe Lake. The Council's Asset Management Service advise that any lease of the site would not include any rights to access the site with vehicles except for deliveries at strictly limited times. The scale of the proposed use is such that it is considered that it would not give rise to a level of traffic generation or demand for parking that would affect users of Canoe Lake or the surrounding highway network.</p> <p>The viability of the proposal would not be considered a material issue in the determination of this application.</p>	<p>Simon Barnett</p> <p>Tel: 023 9284 1281</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

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6	12/01216/FUL St Jude	63 Osborne Road Southsea Change of use from shop (Class A1) to coffee shop (Class A3) to include outdoor seating to rear courtyard	One objection has been received on the grounds that there are too many coffee shops already. The application site is located within the secondary frontage of Southsea Town Centre. Policy STC4 of the Southsea Town Centre Area Action Plan encourages the location of new restaurants and cafes in Osborne Road and Palmerston Road South. The proposal is therefore considered acceptable in principle. It is considered that the proposed use would not be likely to give rise to any noise, odour or other environmental impact that would adversely affect the amenities of the occupiers of neighbouring properties.	Simon Barnett Tel: 023 9284 1281 Conditional Permission

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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7		<p>Cabinet – Monday 7 January 2013 at 12 noon in the Executive Meeting Room, Guildhall</p> <p>The Cabinet will be considering the following reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City Centre Masterplan – Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) • Calculation of the Tax Base for 2012/13 and estimation of Council Tax Collection fund balance at 31 March 2013 	<p>Joanne Wildsmith Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4057</p>
8		<p>Traffic, Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel – 18 December</p> <p>As part of its review of air quality, the panel heard the views of the Cabinet Member and Opposition Spokespersons for Environment & Community Safety.</p>	<p>Jane Di Dino Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4060</p>
9		<p>The Licensing Sub Committee – 19 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licensing Act 2003 – the application for the grant of a premises licence to ‘Lucky Bar’, 223 Kingston Road, Portsmouth, PO2 7EG was adjourned for the second time to allow the applicant to submit an acoustic report. • Licensing Act 2003 – the application for the variation of a premises licence to Blue Cobra, 87 London Road, Portsmouth PO2 0BN was refused. • Licensing Act 2003 – the application for the grant of a premise licence for Guildhall News & Off Licence, 14 Guildhall Walk, Portsmouth PO1 2DD was approved as amended by the applicant for the supply of alcohol from 07:00 to 21:00 seven days a week, subject to conditions relating to external advertising of alcohol products, high strength beers, lagers and ciders, alcohol display and challenge 25. <p>For further details please contact the Richard Chalmers, Deputy Licensing Manager on 023 9268 8462.</p>	<p>Jane Di Dino Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4060</p>

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10		New Theatre Royal Trust - Appointment for Remainder of 2012/13 Municipal Year Following the item on MIS, 7 December 2012, Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson has been appointed as trustee for the remainder of the municipal year with effect from 17 December 2012.	Karen Martin Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4052
11		Portsmouth Cultural Trust Board of Trustees – Appointment for Remainder of the Appointment Term to June 2015 Following the item on MIS, 7 December 2012, Councillor Terry Hall has been appointed as trustee for the remainder of the appointment term (to June 2015) with effect from 17 December 2012.	Karen Martin Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4052
12	Central Southsea	21 Rugby Road Southsea PO5 1SH Ref No: 12/00048/FUL Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Decision Date: 20th December 2012 An appeal was lodged against the refusal of planning permission the change of use from dwellinghouse (Class C3) to purposes falling within Class C3 (dwelling house) or Class C4 (house in multiple occupation). The appeal was dealt with by the written representation procedure and the Inspector decided to dismiss the appeal. The application for an award of costs was refused.	Gary Christie Planning Services Tel: 9268 8592

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13	Central Southsea	<p>345 Fawcett Road Southsea PO4 0LE Ref No:12/00677/FUL Appeal Start Date: 18th December 2012</p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for the conversion from shop with flat above to dwelling house (Class C3); external alterations to include construction of single storey rear extension, dormer to rear roof slope, new entrance to front elevation and installation of first floor window to side elevation</p> <p>This appeal will be dealt with by the written representation procedure.</p>	<p>Gary Christie Planning Services Tel:9268 8592</p>
14	St Jude	<p>20 Wilson Grove Southsea PO5 1PD Ref No: 12/00708/PLAREG Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Decision Date: 18th December 2012</p> <p>An appeal was lodged against the refusal of planning permission for the retention of a side conservatory.</p> <p>The appeal was dealt with by the written representation procedure and the Inspector decided to dismiss the appeal.</p>	<p>Gary Christie Planning Services Tel: 9268 8592</p>

NB – There will be no Members' Information Service next week; the next issue will be published on Friday 4 January 2013

Seasons' Greetings

