

# City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

**NO 43**

**DATE: FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 2011**

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 (Democratic Support 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)

**NB: 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 JOANNE WILDSMITH (Democratic Support Officer) and must be received by not later than 5 pm on Friday 4 November 2011.**  
**An email or handwritten letter will suffice.**

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

**PORTFOLIO: CULTURE, LEISURE & SPORT**

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	<b>WARD</b>	<b>SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL</b>	<b>OFFICER CONTACT</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Paulsgrove</b>	<b>Closure and Demolition of Hillside Youth Club</b>  <b>Proposal:</b> To transfer £35,000 from the Landlord Maintenance (LLM) Revenue budget to the capital scheme to facilitate the boarding and demolition of the centre in November 2011.  Hillside Youth Club was temporarily closed in 2009 due the condition of the roof which was beyond repair. The building has remained operational whilst a decision on the future was finalised. It is now planned to demolish the building in 2012 and re-build a new centre. The deterioration of the building roof has resulted in an early closure from October 2011.	<b>John Bean</b> <b>Asset Management</b> <b>Tel: 9283 4651</b>

## 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 **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 4 November 2011**. 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
2	11/00761/FUL  St Jude	<b>Rear Of Public House 1 Kent Road Southsea</b>  Construction of bungalow	<p>One representation has been received objecting on the grounds of increased traffic and congestion in Castle Road.</p> <p>The proposal involves the construction of a bungalow on the rear part of the former beer garden of the Wheelbarrow Public House. Planning permission for the construction of two houses on the front part of the site was granted in December 2010. The proposed redevelopment is considered to be acceptable in principle. The design of the bungalow would be contemporary, however it is considered acceptable in design and heritage terms having regard to the site's location within the Castle Road Conservation Area. The bungalow would be located to the rear of properties on the northern side of Kent Road, however having regard to the scale of the proposal and the existing boundary treatment it is considered that the proposal would not significantly affect the amenities of the occupiers of adjacent properties. The proposal includes the provision of two parking spaces to the serve the proposed dwelling that would be served by an undercroft access between the two dwellings approved on the Castle Road frontage. The proposed parking and access arrangements are considered acceptable such that the proposal would not prejudice highway safety.</p>	<p>Simon Barnett</p> <p>Tel: 023 9284 1281</p> <p><b>Conditional Permission</b></p>
3	11/00789/FUL  Eastney & Craneswater	<b>Lake House 12 St Helens Parade Southsea</b>  Construction of a five storey building comprising nine apartments and associated car parking	<p>Two e-mail letters have been received objecting to the proposed development. One gives no reason and the other considers the parking inadequate, questions the location of the bin store, vehicular access could be hazardous from both St Helen's Parade and Whitwell Road, construction work could disturb nearby residents, piling of foundations could damage nearby properties and heavy lorries may not be able to access the site from the roads at the rear.</p>	<p>John Pike</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4303</p> <p><b>Conditional Permission</b></p>

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3	(Cont'd)		<p>13 onsite parking spaces as proposed for 9 flats complies with parking policy outlined in the supplementary planning document. The bin store is conveniently located for collection close to St Helen's Parade. The vehicular access is considered adequate both from St Helen's Parade and Whitwell Road. The foundations have already been constructed because a previous permission was implemented in part. The issue of construction traffic and the method of building is not strictly a planning matter. It should also be recognised that planning permission already exists for development on this site. In fact there is permission for an almost identical building to that proposed but for 5 flats as opposed to 9 forming this application.</p>	
4	<p>11/00847/PLAREG  Cosham</p>	<p><b>Cosham Baptist Church Havant Road Portsmouth</b></p> <p>Retrospective permission for the installation of a storage container to rear and planter to front of building</p>	<p>Three letters of objection have been received from neighbouring residents at No.30 Pervin Road and No.19 Dean Road. Their objections are as follows: (a) the container is an eyesore; (b) did not initially complain as assumed it was a temporary arrangement; (c) little consideration to neighbouring residents; and (d) container is visible from the public footpath.</p> <p>Permission is sought for the retention of a storage container which is situated within the car park to the rear of the church premises. The container is used for storage purposes. In addition, retrospective permission is sought for the retention of a planter to the front of the building. The storage container would measure 6m in length, 2.5m in width and 2.5m in height. The external metal panels of the storage container would be painted, and a green roof installed on the top of the container. Given that the public footpath to the south is lower than the ground on which the container is situated, the storage container is visible above the boundary treatment. Nevertheless, it is considered that with the imposition of suitable conditions to secure visual improvements to the structure, the overall appearance of the structure would be softened, and would therefore not amount to a visually obtrusive feature in this context. However, it is recognised that the proposed structure would only be appropriate as a temporary design solution, and therefore it is considered that a temporary permission would be appropriate. There would be no adverse impact on residential amenity.</p>	<p>Jade Ellis  Tel: 023 9284 1470</p> <p><b>Conditional Temporary Permission</b></p>

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5	11/00874/HOU  Milton	<b>198 Devonshire Avenue Southsea</b>  Construction of single storey rear extension and conservatory (after removal of existing)	<p>One letter of objection has been received from the occupier of the adjoining property to the east on the grounds that the proposed conservatory would result in a loss of light to the sitting room and raises concern about the height of the flank wall along the boundary.</p> <p>The proposed conservatory would measure 3.8m along the shared boundary with the adjoining property to the east, approximately 2.2m further than the existing conservatory structure on the adjoining property. The height of the extension would be 3.8m reducing to 2.3m at the eaves. The existing boundary wall between the two gardens is approximately 1.2m high. The conservatory is considered to be appropriate in terms of its size in relation to the existing house and remaining garden area and would not give rise to any significant loss of light, outlook or increased sense of enclosure.</p>	<p>Nicola Frampton Tel: 023 9283 4305</p> <p><b>Conditional Permission</b></p>
6	11/00898/HOU  St Jude	<b>97 Victoria Road South Southsea</b>  Part demolition and rebuilding of front wall to create vehicle hardstanding and access	<p>One objection has been received from the neighbouring occupier at No.99 Victoria Road South. Their objections relate to: (a) loss of garden, visual amenity and loss of view; (b) impact on on-street parking; (c) potential damage to the boundary hedge; and (d) vehicular access should be on the north side of the site.</p> <p>Permission is sought for the creation of a vehicular access onto Victoria Road South which is a classified B-road. However, it does not form part of the primary or distributor road network. The proposals also include alterations to the front boundary wall. There are a number of driveways and hardstandings along this section of Victoria Road South, and the Highways Engineer has raised no objection to the net increase in the number of access points or on highway safety grounds. It is therefore considered that an objection under policies DC25 or DC26 would not arise. In terms of external appearance the rebuilt wall would be constructed of materials which would retain the character and appearance of the original wall. It is considered that with a condition requiring materials to match, the wall would prove to be appropriate in terms of design. Whilst the concerns raised by the objector are noted, the creation of a hardstanding could be</p>	<p>Jade Ellis Tel: 023 9284 1470</p> <p><b>Conditional Permission</b></p>

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6	(Cont'd)		carried out without the need for planning permission, and it is considered that there would be no adverse impact on amenity in terms of loss of outlook. Furthermore, an objection relating to the loss of on-street parking could not be sustained.	
7	11/00903/FUL  Cosham	<p><b>256 Chatsworth Avenue Portsmouth</b></p> <p>Conversion of dwellinghouse to counselling/psychotherapy centre at ground floor and self contained flat to first floor; installation of new entrance to front elevation.</p>	<p>Seven emails/letters of objection have been received from residents in Chatsworth Avenue on the grounds of a) loss of car parking and traffic congestion, b) the use would devalue neighbouring properties, c) the use is inappropriate for a residential area and, d) the use is more appropriate for Cosham centre. An objector also commented on the lack of neighbour consultation.</p> <p>The proposal is to convert the dwellinghouse to a first floor flat and the ground floor to provide one to one counselling service consisting of 2 rooms with 1 counsellor per room. The site is located at the junction of Chatsworth Avenue with Wembley Grove. Chatsworth Avenue is a residential road and lies within the boundary of medium to low accessibility to public transport. The site has the capacity to park 3 vehicles, two in the front and one in front of the garage at the rear. There is capacity for about eight cars to park along Wembley Grove. The Highways Engineer is satisfied that the proposal is unlikely to have a significant impact on the surrounding highway network. The use of the ground floor for counselling services is considered acceptable for this location and would not result in any significant loss of amenity to neighbouring properties. The loss of property value is not a planning consideration. 7 neighbour notification letters were sent out and a site notice was displayed, in accord with normal publicity procedures (for an application of this nature).</p>	<p>Nicola Frampton Tel: 023 9283 4305</p> <p><b>Conditional Permission</b></p>

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8	11/00954/HOU  Drayton & Farlington	<p><b>3 Manor Crescent Portsmouth</b></p> <p>Construction of 2 storey extension to rear elevation (resubmission of 11/00768/HOU)</p>	<p>Two objections have been received; one from the occupier of an adjoining property and one from the occupier of a nearby house. Their objections relate to; (a) loss of light, (b) impact on property values, (c) loss of privacy, (d) roof void could be developed, and (e) the extension would substantially increase the size of the house. Impact on property value would not be a material planning consideration, while concerns in relation to possible future works (which may be able to be undertaken as permitted development) would, similarly, have no relevance in the consideration of this proposal.</p> <p>Permission is sought for a part single, part two-storey extension to the rear of the existing building. At ground floor level the extension would extend across the width of the dwelling (7.7m) abutting the common boundaries of No.1 and No.5 Manor Crescent to a depth of 3.75m. The 2-storey element would be located centrally above the ground floor extension and would be set in from the boundaries to the east and west by 1.75 metres. This part of the extension would have a gable and pitched roof extending back towards the roof of the existing dwelling. Where the two-storey element is set in from the boundaries, the ground floor extension would have 'lean-to' roofs.</p> <p>Although representing a significant increase in floorspace in comparison to the existing house, the extension is nevertheless considered to be of an appropriate scale and design in relation to the recipient building. Given the southerly aspect of this and the adjoining properties, the depth of the ground floor extension and degree to which the first floor element is set in from the boundaries is not considered to have a significant adverse impact on the occupiers of the adjoining properties in terms of loss of light or outlook. Whilst the two-storey element would contain a first floor window serving a bedroom, it is not considered that the proposal would result in any greater overlooking. In these circumstances the proposal would accord with policies DC1 and DC5 of the Local Plan.</p>	<p>Gary Christie Tel: 023 9268 8592</p> <p><b>Conditional Permission</b></p>

## Part 3 - Information and News Items

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9		<p><b>Housing &amp; Social Care Scrutiny Panel – 27 October</b></p> <p>The panel met to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Approve the scoping document for their current review "To consider the impact on the rented housing market of welfare reform proposals"</li> <li>ii) Receive evidence from Ed Woodhouse, Head of Revenues &amp; Benefits on the welfare reform proposals</li> <li>iii) To set dates for future meetings – the next to be on Thursday 10 November at 1pm, and the following on Thursday 1 December at 2pm.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Joanne Wildsmith</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4057</b></p>
10		<p><b>The Health Overview &amp; Scrutiny Panel – Thursday 3 November</b></p> <p>The Health Overview &amp; Scrutiny Panel will meet on 3 November at 9.30 in the Executive Meeting Room, the Guildhall to consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An Update from South Central Ambulance Service</li> <li>• Personal Health Budgets</li> <li>• The Dementia Strategy</li> <li>• Male Life Expectancy</li> <li>• Review of Alcohol and Drug Detoxification</li> <li>• Review of Stroke, Major Trauma and Vascular Services</li> <li>• Review of Alcohol-Related Hospital Admissions</li> <li>• The Health Overview &amp; Scrutiny Panel's Work Programme</li> </ul>	<p><b>Jane Di Dino</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4060</b></p>
11		<p><b>Economic Development, Culture and Leisure (EDCL) Scrutiny Panel meeting to be held on Thursday 3 November 2011 at 2.00pm in Conference Room A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Civic Offices, Portsmouth</b></p> <p>Members of the panel will consider the following agenda items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A review into whether the resident workforce in Portsmouth has the requisite skills to satisfy the current and future needs of the city, its residents and local employers</li> <li>• Dates of EDCL Scrutiny Panel Meetings</li> </ul>	<p><b>Karen Martin</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4052</b></p>

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12		<p><b>Cabinet – Monday 7 November at 1pm in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3, Guildhall</b></p> <p>At this meeting the Cabinet will be considering the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treasury Management Mid Year Review for 2011/12</li> <li>• Children &amp; Education Portfolio Overspend (report to follow)</li> <li>• Loan Guarantee for MMD (Shipping Services) Ltd</li> <li>• Extra Care Services and Affordable Housing (part exempt)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Joanne Wildsmith</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4057</b></p>
13		<p><b>The Education, Children &amp; Young People Scrutiny Panel - Monday, 7 November at 5:30pm</b></p> <p>At this meeting it is intended to sign off the review into admissions to Springfield School and to agree a programme for reviews of the topics allocated to this Panel by the Scrutiny Management Panel on 13 September 2011. The allocated topics are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review on co-ordinated multi-agency involvement for families with multiple problems.</li> <li>• Review on targeted support for children and young people who demonstrate behaviours that may put them at risk.</li> <li>• City-wide review on school admissions.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Teresa Deasy</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4056</b></p>
14		<p><b>The Cabinet Member for Health &amp; Social Care's Decision Meeting – Tuesday 8 November at 10am in the Executive Meeting Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, The Guildhall, Portsmouth</b></p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Health &amp; Social Care, Councillor Leo Madden will make decisions on the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1,000 sites access guide to empower disabled people</li> <li>• Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Annual Report</li> <li>• Section 75 Agreements – Co-ordinated Services and Pooled Funding with NHS Bodies</li> </ul>	<p><b>Jane Di Dino</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4060</b></p>
15		<p><b>Traffic Environment &amp; Community Safety Scrutiny Panel – 8 November</b></p> <p>The Traffic Environment &amp; Community Safety Scrutiny Panel will meet on Tuesday 8 November at 4pm in Conference Room K, Civic Offices, to continue their review on how the council responds to the issues of surface water flooding in the city – to include a plan that outlines the actions PCC would take in the event of extreme flooding from surface water in the city.</p>	<p><b>Vicki Plytas</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4058</b></p>

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16		<p><b>Cabinet Member for Housing's Decision Meeting – Tuesday 8 November at 4pm in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3 of the Guildhall</b></p> <p>At this meeting Councillor Wylie will be considering a report on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Eastern Road and Associated Works 2012</b></li> </ul>	<p><b>Joanne Wildsmith</b>  <b>Customer,</b>  <b>Community &amp;</b>  <b>Democratic Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4057</b></p>
17	Paulsgrove	<p><b>Land at 140 Southampton Road Portsmouth PO6 4RX</b></p> <p><b>Ref No: 10/00979/OUT</b>  <b>Appeal Ref No: 11/00038/REF</b>  <b>Appeal Start Date: 21/10/2011</b></p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for Outline application - construction of part3/4-storey building for 48 bedspace nursing home (Class C2) including raising of existing ground level by up to 800mm (access, appearance, layout &amp; scale to be considered)(Scheme 2).</p> <p>This appeal will be dealt with by the Written Representation procedure.</p>	<p><b>Alan Banting</b>  <b>Planning Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4324</b></p>
18	Drayton and Farlington	<p><b>Land at 3 Brecon Avenue Portsmouth PO6 2AN</b></p> <p><b>Ref No: 11/00711/TPO</b>  <b>Appeal Ref No: 1100039/REF</b>  <b>Appeal Start Date: 20//10/2011</b></p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of TPO consent for Copper Beech (T18) fell and replace within Tree Preservation Order 218.</p> <p>This appeal is being dealt with by the written representation procedure, as this appeal is proceeding under the Fast Track Appeals Service, there is no opportunity for <u>you to submit</u> further comments. We will however forward copies of all representations made to us in relation to the application, before it was determined, on to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant.</p>	<p><b>Stephanie Hughes</b>  <b>Planning Services</b>  <b>Tel: 9283 4300</b></p>