

City of Portsmouth

MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

NO 40

DATE: FRIDAY 7 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

| | WARD | DECISION | OFFICER CONTACT |
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| 1 | St Thomas | <p>The Cabinet Member for Culture Leisure & Sport decision meeting was held at 1.00pm on Friday 30 September 2011 in the Executive Meeting Room of the Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>Councillor Lee Hunt took the following decisions:</p> <p>(i) Hot Walls Lights Capital Expenditure</p> <p>DECISION: That the Seafront Manager be given approval to contract this work to be carried out via Asset Management Services.</p> | <p>Karen Martin Tel: 9283 4052</p> <p>David Evans Tel: 9282 8112</p> |

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| 1 | <p>(Cont'd) All</p> <p>All</p> | <p>(ii) Joint Storage Project Update</p> <p>DECISION: That the contents of the report be noted and that officers continue to pursue solutions to the current issues regarding stores and stewardship of the city's collections in partnership with other museum services in the area.</p> <p>(iii) Library Bookfund and Stock Report</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>(1) That the 2012-2013 stock budget reallocations proposed in the table, at 3.2.4 of the report, were accepted.</p> <p>(2) That the bookfund be maintained at its current level as previously agreed in the Library Development Report.</p> <p>(3) That the budget for audio visual physical materials should be re-allocated and the collections amended as identified in the report at paragraph 3.2.4.</p> <p>(4) That an e-books service, including audio book downloads, should be identified and implemented with consideration of best value and accessibility.</p> <p>(5) That the Library Service should reduce the purchase of magazines to those required to inform opinion and debate, support library agendas and to maintain collections filed permanently in the Portsmouth History Centre.</p> <p>(6) That all libraries should take a daily newspaper and the Portsmouth News. The Central Library should take a range of daily papers to reflect a range of views and opinions.</p> <p>(7) That the Learning and Engagement Team consult equalities groups to determine the development of stock provision in line with their needs.</p> <p>(8) That the Library Service actively seeks stock suggestions from residents through our social media, supplementing those received in branches.</p> <p>(9) That stock focus groups should be formed to allow more direct consultation with local residents on what library stock they would like to see and how the budget should be spent. These groups should reflect the make-up of the population of Portsmouth, including parents, carers, children and teenagers, adults and those with the need for reading in particular formats.</p> | <p>Dr Jane Mee Tel: 9282 7261</p> <p>Lindy Elliott Tel: 9268 8058</p> |

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| 1 | (Cont'd) | <p data-bbox="398 180 741 220">(vi) Date of next meeting</p> <p data-bbox="398 252 1776 387">Councillor Lee Hunt agreed that the next cycle portfolio meetings be changed in order to help narrow the gap between the decision meeting originally scheduled for 11 November 2011 and the next one scheduled for 10 February 2012 hopefully avoiding the need for a 'special' meeting over the Christmas/ New Year period.</p> <p data-bbox="398 419 947 523">Decision meeting: Was Friday 11 November 2011 at 1.00pm Now Friday 16 December 2011 at 1.00pm</p> <p data-bbox="398 627 902 659">NB Call-In Date: Monday 10 October</p> | <p data-bbox="1798 180 1977 244">Karen Martin T: 9283 4052</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 (Democratic Support Officer) and must be received by not later than 5 pm on Friday 14 October 2011.**
An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

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

PORTFOLIO: HOUSING

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| | WARD | SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL | OFFICER CONTACT |
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| 2 | Baffins | <p>Application to demolish 415-425 Eastern Road, Portsmouth and to generate a development plan for the land</p> <p>Proposals: (1) to demolish this structurally unsafe block of flats (2) that a development programme is completed to re-provide affordable housing on the site.</p> <p>The demolition of the unsafe dwellings site will allow for approximately £30,000 reduction in the amount of debt needed to be paid to central government prior to self financing in 2012, as this is based on the number of dwellings in the HRA, as well as prepare the site for future development.</p> <p>The 6 flats currently on this site have been vacant for around 3 years, and a final decision on the future of the development following demolition is yet to be finalised.</p> | <p>Jo Bennett Housing Service Tel: 9268 8606</p> |

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 14 October 2011**. 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 |
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| 3 | 11/00755/FUL Central Southsea | <p>The Old Bakery 56 & 58 Devonshire Avenue Southsea</p> <p>Retrospective application for external alterations fronting Devonshire Avenue and Haslemere Road to include removal of shopfronts; installation of first floor window & door to rear courtyard (to side elevation)</p> | <p>One letter of objection has been received from the Portsmouth Society. Their objection relates to the loss of the original 'Old Bakery' and 'Hovis' signs from the building's facade.</p> <p>Permission was originally granted in January 2007 (ref.07/02173/FUL) for the alteration and conversion of the 'Old Bakery' to form five dwellings (four flats and one house). However the development was not completed in accordance with the approved details. This application seeks retrospective permission for the removal of the original shopfront, alterations to the window sizes changes to the door, window and courtyard entrance finishes and the rendered finish. Notwithstanding the applicant's deviation from the approved details, the development has been finished externally to a high standard and is appropriate within the context of the street scene.</p> <p>Whilst the 'Old Bakery' does have some historic interest locally, it is not a Listed Building, entered on the City Council's List of Locally Important Buildings and Structures or located within a conservation area. Therefore, the Planning service would have no control over the removal or reinstatement of the signage. The retention of the original features included within the first application (2007) were offered by the applicant and were not a requirement of the Planning Service.</p> <p>Notwithstanding the retention of the original chimney the development offers little evidence of its previous use. Therefore, given the residential appearance of the building, it is not considered to be appropriate to request that the original signs be reinstated.</p> | <p>Gary Christie</p> <p>Tel: 023 92688592</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p> |

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| 4 | 11/00862/HOU Baffins | 18 Chilcote Road Portsmouth Construction of single storey rear extension, dormer window to front roofslope, first floor bay window to front elevation (above existing), front porch, timber play house to rear garden and new pitched roof to existing garage (re-submission of 11/00645/HOU) | <p>One letter of representation has been received from the occupier of an adjoining property to the rear, objecting to the timber play house. The objections relate to a) design, b) noise and disturbance and c) loss of privacy. The objection does not relate to the other elements included within the application.</p> <p>Permission is sought for a play house to the north-west corner of the rear garden in addition to other alterations to the main dwelling and the garage. This part of the application has already been constructed. The playhouse measures 2.9 metres in height and abuts the north and west boundary walls that measure 2.5 and 1.8 metres in height respectively. Steps up to the playhouse, a veranda and a window are located on the eastern elevation and a single window is located on the southern elevation. Given the modest scale of the structure, its height above the existing boundary wall, distance from dwellings to the rear (16m) and intervening outbuildings, it is not considered that the play house represents a visually obtrusive feature or has a significant adverse impact on residential amenity in terms of loss of light or outlook. Given the position of the window on the southern elevation, it would not offer direct views into adjoining properties to the rear. As such it is not considered to be appropriate to impose a condition requiring that this window be obscure glazed and non-opening.</p> <p>Given the proximity of the adjoining gardens, it is not considered that the play house has led to a significant increase in noise and disturbance sufficient to sustain a reason for refusal.</p> | <p>Gary Christie Tel: 023 92688592</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p> |
| 5 | 11/00869/HOU Nelson | 41 Monmouth Road Portsmouth Construction of first floor extension over existing rear projection | <p>Two letters of representation have been received from the occupiers of the adjoining properties immediately to the north and south. Their objections relate to a) scale, b) design c) overbearing impact, d) loss of light, e) loss of privacy f) impact on drainage and g) impact during construction. Points f and g are not considered to be material to the determination of this application.</p> | <p>Gary Christie Tel: 023 92688592</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p> |

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| 5 | (Cont'd) | | <p>This application relates to a two-storey terraced dwelling located on the western side of Monmouth Road. The dwelling is currently a mirror image of the adjoining properties consisting of the main building, a two-storey rear projection across part of the rear elevation retaining light wells along the common boundaries, with single-storey 'lean-to' projections beyond. Permission is sought for a two metre extension of the two-storey element out over the existing ground floor extension. It is considered that the extension is of an acceptable scale and design in relation to the recipient building and the adjoining properties.</p> <p>Whilst the proposals would result in a longer rear projection when compared to other properties along this terrace, it is not considered that the impact on the adjoining properties in terms of loss of light, outlook or overbearing impact would be sufficient to sustain a reason for refusal. Given the current relationship with the adjoining properties and the existing window on the western elevation at first floor level, it is not considered that the proposals would significantly alter the degree to which the surrounding area is overlooked.</p> | |

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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| 6 | | <p>Employment Committee Meeting – Tuesday 4 October</p> <p>A meeting of the Employment Committee took place on Tuesday 4 October when the following items were considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms and Conditions update • Quarter 1 sickness scorecard (members) • Information item re invitation to LGS pay briefings • Performance and Engagement – a report on Performance Development Reviews | <p>Vicki Plytas Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4058</p> |
| 7 | | <p>Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation- Decision Meeting – Tuesday 11 October 2011 at 10.00am in the Executive Meeting Room, floor 3 of the Guildhall, Portsmouth</p> <p>Councillor Fazackarley will consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eastern Road Congestion Improvement Scheme • Elm Grove – Albert Road Traffic Signal Improvements • Transport for South Hampshire Business Plan 2011-13 | <p>Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p> |
| 8 | | <p>Licensing Sub Committee – Wednesday 12 October 2011 at 9.30am in the Executive Meeting Room, floor 3 of the Guildhall, Portsmouth</p> <p>The committee will determine the following applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licensing Act 2003 – Application for the grant of a premises licence – Cartwright’s News, 160 Albert Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 0JT • Licensing Act 2003 – Application for the grant of a premises licence – Ground Floor, Spar Shop, 76 New Road, Portsmouth, PO2 7RF | <p>Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p> |
| 9 | | <p>Economic Development, Culture & Leisure Scrutiny Panel - Monday 17 October at 2.30pm in Meeting Room 1, The Guildhall, Portsmouth</p> <p>Members of the panel will consider the draft scoping document and information relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. | <p>Karen Martin Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4052</p> |

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| 10 | | <p>Planning Committee – Wednesday 12 October 2011 at 3.00pm in Conference Room A, Civic Offices, Portsmouth</p> <p>The committee will consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appeal Decision at The Swan Public House, 100 Copnor Road, Portsmouth – for noting • Appeal Decision at The Former Portland Hotel, 38 Kent Road, Southsea – for noting • Draft National Planning Policy Framework – for noting • Development applications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 11/00717/HOU – 89 Francis Avenue, Southsea - Construction of single storey side and rear extension ○ 11/00849/HOU – 85 Bryher Island, Portsmouth – Construction of single storey side/rear extension & installation of roof light to front roof slope ○ 11/00800/FUL – 2-6 Spencer Road, Southsea – Construction of 2-storey infill extension to front elevation ○ 11/838/FUL – 2-6 Spencer Road, Southsea – Retention of outbuilding to rear garden (resubmission of 11/00411/FUL) ○ 11/00729/FUL – Keppels Head Car Park, 19-20 The Hard, Portsmouth – Outline application for the construction of 6 storey building to form hotel with café at ground floor (access, layout and scale to be considered). | <p>Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p> |
| 11 | Cosham | <p>Land to Rear of Park Mansions Magdala Road PO6 2QH - Appeal Ref No: 11/00693/FUL Appeal Ref No: 11/00037/REF Appeal Start Date: 29/09/2011</p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for construction of 2-storey building to form 3 dwellinghouses.</p> <p>This appeal will be dealt with by the written representation procedure.</p> | <p>Simon Barnett Planning Services Tel: 9284 1281</p> |
| 12 | | <p>Special Employment Committee Meeting – Thursday 20 October at 2.30pm in Meeting Room 1, 3rd Floor, Guildhall, Portsmouth</p> <p>A special meeting of the Employment Committee will take place on Thursday 20 October 2011 when an exempt item on Terms and Conditions will be considered.</p> | <p>Vicki Plytas Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4058</p> |

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| 13 | | <p>Twinning Advisory Group – Thursday 29 September</p> <p>The Twinning Advisory Group met and considered the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates on the current projects from the Lord Mayor’s Office and the Local Democracy Assistant. • Updates from the Twinning Representatives and grant proposals (to forward to the Resources Decision meeting) • The date of the next meeting to be held on Thursday 24 November 2011 at 8:15am | <p>Peter Smith-Parkyn Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9268 8361</p> |
| 14 | | <p style="text-align: center;">‘The Armchair Traveller’ - Wednesday 12th & Thursday 20th October - 7.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">In the Lord Mayor’s Banqueting Room, The Guildhall</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>In aid of the Lord Mayor’s Appeal 2011, The Rainbow Centre, and the Rowans Hospice</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">John Haskell’s big screen video journey featuring –</p> <p style="text-align: center;">North to Alaska! The Delights of Dubai; Wonderful Copenhagen; and Reims, Rhine and the Black Forest</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tickets still available from the Reception Desk, The Guildhall £6 inclusive of wine and buffet</p> | |

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 interested parties may make representations. An interested party is defined as either a *person* living in the vicinity of the premises, a *body* representing persons who live in that vicinity, a *person* involved in a business in that vicinity, a *body* representing persons involved in such businesses or a *member* of a relevant licensing authority.

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 include evidence to support the licensing objectives.

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: |
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| 15 | Central Southsea | 11/04349/LAPREM | New Kwikimart 126 Fawcett Road Southsea Hants PO4 0DW | Premises Licence Propose Licensable Activities: Sale by retail of alcohol Monday to Sunday 07:00 to 00:00 | 26/10/2011 |
| 16 | Charles Dickens | 11/04365/LAPRMV | Om Sai 139 Queen Street Portsmouth Hants PO1 3HY | Premises Licence Minor Variation Amending Licence Conditions Proposed Licensable Activities: Sale by retail of alcohol Monday to Sunday 07:00 to 23:00 | 12/10/2011 |
| 17 | Cosham | 11/04369/LAPREM | Liquor Mart 105A High Street Portsmouth Hants PO6 3BB | Premises Licence Proposed Licensable Activities: Sale by retail of alcohol Monday to Saturday 11:00 to 22:00 | 12/10/2011 |

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| 18 | St Jude | 11/04372/LAPREM | Rainbow Food And Wine 135 Albert Road Southsea Hants PO5 2SQ | Premises Licence Variation Proposed Licensable Activities: Sale by retail of alcohol Monday to Sunday 06:00 to 23:00 | 28/10/2011 |
| 19 | St Thomas | 11/04342/LAPRMV | Spice Island Inn 63-65 Broad Street Old Portsmouth Hants PO1 2JD | Premises Licence Minor Variation Alterations to the Premises Proposed Licensable Activities: Late night refreshment Friday 23:00 to 23:30 Monday 23:00 to 23:30 Saturday 23:00 to 00:00 Thursday 23:00 to 23:30 Tuesday 23:00 to 23:30 Wednesday 23:00 to 23:30 Other similar music or dance Entertainment Friday 11:00 to 23:00 Monday 11:00 to 23:00 Saturday 11:00 to 23:00 Sunday 11:00 to 23:00 Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 Tuesday 11:00 to 23:00 Wednesday 11:00 to 23:00 Performance of live music Friday 11:00 to 23:00 Monday 11:00 to 23:00 Saturday 11:00 to 23:00 Sunday 11:00 to 23:00 Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 Tuesday 11:00 to 23:00 Wednesday 11:00 to 23:00 | 28/10/2011 |

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| | | | | <p>Playing of recorded music</p> <p>Friday 11:00 to 00:30 Monday 11:00 to 23:30 Saturday 11:00 to 00:30 Sunday 11:00 to 23:30 Thursday 11:00 to 23:30 Tuesday 11:00 to 23:30 Wednesday 11:00 to 23:30</p> <p>Provide facilities for dancing</p> <p>Friday 11:00 to 00:00 Monday 11:00 to 23:00 Saturday 11:00 to 00:00 Sunday 11:00 to 23:00 Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 Tuesday 11:00 to 23:00 Wednesday 11:00 to 23:00</p> <p>Sale by retail of alcohol</p> <p>Friday 11:00 to 23:00 Monday 11:00 to 23:00 Saturday 11:00 to 00:00 Sunday 11:00 to 22:30 Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 Tuesday 11:00 to 23:00 Wednesday 11:00 to 23:00</p> | |