

City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

NO 6

DATE: FRIDAY 11 FEBRUARY 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
1		<p>Cabinet Decision Meeting – 7 February</p> <p>The Cabinet took the following decisions:-</p> <p>Portsmouth Culture Limited Appointment of Trustees (Portsmouth Guildhall)</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>That Councillors Gerald Vernon-Jackson and Robin Sparshatt be appointed as the council's representatives on the board of the trust for a four year period.</p> <p>Review of Parking Tariffs</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>The Parking Charges tariff detailed in Appendix A of the report was approved.</p> <p>Portsmouth Local Statement of Commissioning Priorities for the Academic Year 2011/12</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>The commissioning priorities (as set out in the appendix to the report) for post-16 education and training were approved as the basis for informing for the academic year 2011/12.</p> <p>Transfer of the Visitor Information Centre (VIC) to the D-Day Museum</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>1. The Cabinet supported the feasibility of transferring the Visitor Information Centre on Clarence Esplanade into the D-Day Museum.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">/Cont'd ...</p>	<p>Joanne Wildsmith Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4057</p>

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	cont'd	<p>2. The Cabinet supported the capital bid for the refurbishment of the D-Day entrance and shop, enabling the D-Day Museum and Visitor Information Centre functions to be carried out from a single desk, by the same staff. The Head of Cultural Services will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare a full plan, including detailed costs and design. • Consult with staff, Veterans, local businesses and customers. • Ensure the new design considers the “Memorial” nature of the D-Day Museum and these changes should not affect these important Museum elements. <p>3. The Cabinet supported the exploration of leasing the current Visitor Information Centre/ Contact Centre building.</p> <p>PCC Policy on Street Parties (Royal Wedding 2011 and Diamond Jubilee 2012)</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>1. The Cabinet agreed the fees and charges that will apply for the forthcoming Royal Wedding and Diamond Jubilee Parties as set out in the report;</p> <p>2. The sum of up to £10,000 will be available from contingency to meet the anticipated costs associated with permission being granted for street parties (it was clarified that the city council would not pay for residents applying for temporary event notices);</p> <p>3. Permission for street parties will not be given for any roads which are on a main bus route or are on a strategic highway network route.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">/Cont'd ...</p>	

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	cont'd	<p>Response to Economic Development, Culture & Leisure Scrutiny Panel's report on Expenditure on Properties under the Culture & Leisure Portfolio</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Panel be thanked for its work in undertaking this review. 2. The Cabinet noted the recommendations from the review and supported the actions to be taken by the Heads of Service in response. <p>Capital Budget 2011/12</p> <p>The recommendations within the Strategic Director and Section 151 Officer's report were supported for recommendation to council the following day and are therefore not subject to call-in.</p> <p>Portsmouth City Council Budget 2010/11 to 2014/15 (Revenue Budget)</p> <p>Amendments to the recommendations of the Strategic Director and Section 151 Officer were circulated at the meeting and were agreed for recommendation to council the following day (with a further amendment suggested by Councillor Madden regarding switching of monies within the Health & Social Care portfolio) and are therefore not subject to call-in.</p> <p>Standing Order 58 (SO58) Action - Legal costs (with exempt information)</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>That in accordance with Standing Order 58 (Urgent decisions by the Chief Executive) the decision by the Chief Executive to pay the costs relating to this judicial review be noted.</p>	

	WARD	DECISION	OFFICER CONTACT
	cont'd	<p>Civic Offices Restaurant (with exempt information)</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The coffee shop option be approved. 2. That budget provision for the capital costs is made within the Administration's proposed Capital Programme for 2011/12 which is to be considered by City Council on 8 February 2011. 3. The associated net revenue income arising from the selected option be deducted from the ongoing cash limit of the service. <p>NB Call-in date: Wednesday 16 February</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 18 February 2011.**
An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

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

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	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
2	Nelson	Flying Bull Primary Capital Programme Proposal: Approval is now sought for funding of £56,800 from uncommitted Asset Management Plan funding, to be used as outlined below. Due to the poor condition of the building and volume of maintenance work required at the school, the allocated funding for the Primary Capital Programme £3M, will not allow for both the maintenance work required, and the internal reorganisation works planned to enhance the operation of the school. Efforts have been made to reduce the scope of the scheme and therefore reduce costs; an additional funding contribution has been made by the school however, the estimated cost of the scheme remains higher than the budget available.	Christine Matchett Education, Children and Young People's Services Tel: 9268 8663

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 18 February 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
3	10/01257/HOU Cosham	<p>31 Edgerly Gardens Portsmouth PO6 2SX</p> <p>Construction of two-storey side extension and single-storey rear extension (resubmission 10/01106/HOU)</p>	<p>Letters of objection have been received from the occupiers of the adjoining property (29 Edgerly Gardens) to the west and three properties on the opposite side of Pitreavie Road. A letter of objection has also been received from a planning consultant acting on behalf of the next door neighbour (29 Edgerly Gardens). The objections relate to a) increased sense of enclosure; b) overbearing impact; c) loss of privacy; d) loss of light; e) the extension will extend beyond the building line; f) the extension is out of character with the surrounding Highbury Estate in terms of scale, form, urban grain and rhythm; g) the extension does not relate appropriately with the recipient building, and h) loss of parking on the site.</p> <p>The applicant seeks permission for the construction of a two-storey side extension and a single-storey rear extension. This property occupies a double width corner plot at the junction of Edgerly Gardens with Pitreavie Road, and currently has a single-storey side/rear projection that forms a garage. A large driveway to the front and side of the property provides additional parking spaces and can comfortably accommodate 3 cars, although it is currently used for the storage of a caravan, and a mobile home.</p> <p>The proposed two-storey side extension would be set back from the front elevation by 6m, with a gap of 1m to the western boundary and would project a further 1.4 metres to the north than the existing side/rear extension. In total this part of the proposal would measure 7.6 metres deep by 5.2 metres wide and would be topped by a pitched and hipped roof with a matching eaves level and measuring 7.4 metres at the ridge, slightly lower than that of the recipient building. The extension would incorporate an integral garage at ground floor level and would only result in a loss of 1.2 metres of parking space within the driveway. This would maintain the level of parking on the site which is considered to be appropriate for a dwelling of this size.</p>	<p>Gary Christie</p> <p>Tel: 023 92688592</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

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4	10/01269/HOU Drayton & Farlington	14b Augustine Road Portsmouth PO6 1HY Construction of single storey rear extension (after removal of conservatory)	<p>Windows serving two first-floor windows would be located on the north and south elevations with a small fixed high level window on the east elevation serving a shower room. Whilst these windows would not significantly alter the degree to which the surrounding properties would be overlooked, a fifth window on the western elevation could result in a loss of privacy to the occupants of the adjoining dwelling. For this reason it is considered appropriate to impose a condition requiring that this window, which served a corridor, is obscure glazed and non-opening.</p> <p>The single-storey flat roof extension would measure 5.1m wide by 3.5m deep along the common boundary with 29 Edgerly Gardens and would extend to 2.9 metres in height. The adjoining property has two windows to the rear, one on the south facing elevation and the second on the west facing elevation of a single storey-rear projection, both of which serve a kitchen/dining room. It is not considered that the additional 0.5m depth that brings this extension under planning control would result in any significant additional loss of light, outlook or increased sense of enclosure.</p> <p>Whilst this is a relatively large extension, it is considered that given its position in relation to the existing dwelling and the size of the plot, the proposal would relate appropriately with the recipient building and the surrounding area in terms of scale, massing and design. The set back of the extension from the front elevation ensures that the rhythm of the terrace is not disturbed when viewed from the south and whilst the building line would extend further to the north and east, it is not considered that this would have a sufficient detrimental impact on the character of the streetscene to warrant refusal. Given the degree of separation with properties on the opposite side of Pitreavie Road (13.5 metres) and the presence of the existing building, it is not considered that the proposals would result in any significant loss of light or outlook to the occupiers of those properties.</p> <p>One email commenting on this application has been received. The neighbour observes that the proposed extension would be built on the common boundary and comments that the drawings do not account for the existing rain water pipe access. The drawings submitted indicate that the proposed extension incorporating guttering would not overhang the adjoining property. Whilst the adjoining property's extension has been set off the common boundary to allow for access to carry out maintenance, the planning authority cannot insist that the applicant does the same.</p>	<p>Nicola Frampton Tel: 023 9283 4305</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

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5	11/00010/FUL Central Southsea	3 Outram Road Southsea Hampshire Construction of an additional storey with a pitched roof to No3 Outram Road and construction of a three-storey dwelling (with integral car-port) on existing parking court (resubmission of 09/01444/FUL)	Two emails of objection have been received from nearby residents on the grounds that the proposed works would a) have a negative effect on the value of their adjoining apartments, b) result in a loss of light and privacy, c) create an undue sense of enclosure and d) be out of keeping with the area. The applicant has submitted a revised scheme to address the previous reasons for refusal. The scheme differs by the submission of additional supporting information and the inclusion of both cycle and refuse storage. The applicant appealed the previous planning decision. The appeal was dismissed but on fewer grounds than of the local planning authority decision. The inspector considered that the design was appropriate in relation to the adjoining properties and the surrounding area and did not see that it would have any significant adverse impact on the amenity of the adjoining occupiers. It is considered that the applicant has overcome the previous reasons for refusal in respect of the other planning policies and therefore the scheme is capable of officer support. The comments relating to the devaluing of properties is not a material planning consideration when determining this application.	Nicola Frampton Tel: 023 9283 4305 Conditional Permission

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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	WARD		OFFICER CONTACT
6		<p>Special Cabinet Meeting – 21 March</p> <p>An extra Cabinet meeting will be held on Monday 21st March at 10am in the Executive Meeting Room, Guildhall. Please note in diaries.</p>	<p>Joanne Wildsmith Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4057</p>
7		<p>The Education, Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel – 7 February</p> <p>The Education, Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel met on 7 February to continue its review into paediatric cardiac services. It heard evidence from Mr Mark Hackett, Chief Executive and James Gnanapragasam, Cardiologist at Southampton General Hospital and Dawn Saunders Associate Director of Public Health. It resolved that a visit be arranged to Southampton General Hospital paediatric cardiac services.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on 21 February.</p>	<p>Jane Di Dino Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4060</p>
8		<p>Scrutiny Management Panel – 4 February</p> <p>The Scrutiny Management Panel met on Friday 4th February and resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • note the Administration's proposed budget • note the implementation of recommendations from previous scrutiny reviews • remove all topics not currently in progress, from current scrutiny work programme with a view to determining priority topics for the forthcoming municipal year when SMP next meets in March • the panel meet again on 11th March 2011 at 9.30 am in the Executive Meeting Room, 3rd Floor, The Guildhall 	<p>Anthony Quinn Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4002</p>
9		<p>Charter Community Sports Centre Joint Management Committee – 15 February 4.30pm Conference Room B</p> <p>At this meeting the JMC will receive an update about the management arrangements for the community sports centre and consider the operational review for the period to February 2011.</p>	<p>Lin Chaplen Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4053</p>

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10		<p>Traffic, Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel – 16 February</p> <p>The Traffic, Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel will meet on Wednesday 16th February 2011 at 3 pm in Meeting Room 2, 3rd Floor, The Guildhall to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> continue their review of discharge of patients from QA and St James's Hospitals and will hear from representatives from QA Hospital and Portsmouth City Council Adult Social Care 	<p>Anthony Quinn Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4002</p>
11		<p>Report of the Hampshire Police Authority (HPA)</p> <p>Councillor David Stephen Butler, as PCC's representative, wishes to bring members' attention to the latest HPA report, full copies of which have been placed in the group rooms. The report includes further information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deployment of mobile information devices The Hampshire Constabulary's proposed Collaboration Strategy – to consider collaboration partnerships with other police forces and external public sector organisations Creation of a joint Hampshire Constabulary and Thames Valley Police Operations Department – the HPA has approved the creation of a joint operations department with Thames Valley Police with effect from 1 April 2011 to provide operational functions under one command to both forces; these functions include police dogs, roads policing, operational planning and firearms with Hampshire Constabulary acting as the host force. 	<p>Stewart Agland Local Democracy Manager Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4055</p>
12	Baffins	<p>68 Tangier Road Portsmouth PO3 6JN – Planning Appeal Ref No: 10/00330/HOU Decision: Dismissed Decision Date: 3 February 2011</p> <p>An appeal was lodged against the refusal of planning permission for installation of dropped kerb to form vehicle access.</p> <p>The appeal was decided by the written representation procedure, the Inspector decided to dismiss the appeal.</p>	<p>Nicola Frampton Planning Services Tel: 9283 4305</p>

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13	Eastney & Craneswater	<p>2-96 Fort Cumberland Road Southsea PO4 9LQ – Planning Appeal Ref No: 10/00731/FUL Date Lodged: 25 January 2011</p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for construction of 5-storey extensions to blocks A and C to form 4 additional flats to each block and alterations to car parking/soft landscaping areas (re-submission of 10/00218/FUL). This appeal will be dealt with by the written representation procedure.</p>	<p>Ian Parkinson Planning Services Tel: 9283 4301</p>
14		<p>Local Government Association – LGA Alerts – Information sent to Local Authorities for week commencing Monday 7 February 2011</p> <p>Each week the LGA sends 'LG alerts' information sheets to member authorities. The full text of all LG alerts are available to local authorities on LGAnet – the Local Government Association internet service at http://www.lga.gov.uk.</p> <p>ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Flood & Water Management Act 2010 The Flood and Water Management Act 2010 gives lead local flood authorities (Counties and Unitaries) new powers to manage local flood risk. We are expecting most of the provisions in the Act, apart from those relating to SUDs, to be commenced this April. We have set out a clarification from DEFRA on how the new role for counties will affect the role of districts in two tier areas. LG Group Alert Reference: 22/11</p> <p>LOCAL GOVERNMENT GROUP EVENTS</p> <p>LGA General Assembly The Annual Meeting of the General Assembly will be held in the International Conference Centre, Birmingham on Tuesday 28 June 2011. LG Group Alert Reference: 23/11</p> <p>Planning for growth conference The changes to planning law proposed in the Localism bill are as significant as any since the 1947 Town and Country Planning Act. This one-day event on Tuesday 24 May 2011, Local Government House, Smith Square, London, SW1P 3HZ, will explore the part that the planning system can now play assisting local economies to recover and prosper. LG Group Alert Reference: 24/11</p>	<p>Local Government Association (LGA) Email: info@lga.gov.uk Tel: 020 7664 3131 www.lga.gov.uk</p>