

City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

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The Members' Information Service produced in the Customer, Community & Democratic Services Unit 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 democratic@portsmouthcc.gov.uk 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>The Cabinet Member for Culture Leisure & Sport decision meeting was held at 1pm on 13 December 2013 in the Executive Meeting Room, The Guildhall, Portsmouth</p> <p>Councillor Lee Hunt made decisions on the following items:</p> <p>Review of the offer for schools at Portsmouth Museums</p> <p>DECISIONS that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The current offer of led sessions and the School Loans Collection is noted. (2) Positive feedback from schools attending led sessions is noted. (3) The proposed changes to the offer for schools are noted in particular: (4) That Tudors at Southsea Castle is run for fewer days in 2014 in response to curriculum changes; (5) That Tudors at the Square Tower is removed from the schools' offer. (6) That the pricing structure for all led sessions is reviewed to ensure that costs are recovered and that future charges are based on a price per pupil rather than a charge per group; (7) That the terms on which we employ session deliverers are reviewed and that the current hourly rate be replaced by payment per session. (8) That the Schools Loans Collection is reviewed, rationalised and re-presented to ensure that it remains high quality, accessible and relevant. (9) That from September 2014 charges are introduced for all users of the Schools Loan Collection - £30 for one thematic box containing multiple objects or three single item boxes per loan period (currently up to three weeks). 	<p>Vicki Plytas Senior Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4058</p> <p>Tracy Teasdale, Learning Officer Tel: 9283 4752</p>

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		<p data-bbox="398 183 1068 218">Creepy House - Summer Reading Challenge</p> <p data-bbox="398 258 586 288">DECISIONS:</p> <ul data-bbox="398 331 1771 762" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="398 331 1771 552">(1) That the Library Service should target those schools with the lowest participation levels in the Summer Reading Challenge and undertake interventions with those pupils in the summer term, specifically years 3 and 6. To achieve this, primary schools will be consulted at the next Primary Headteachers' Conference, to seek agreement for additional resources to be allocated from the pupil premium. In the interim, the Library Service will engage in discussions with targeted schools.<li data-bbox="398 587 1771 655">(2) That promotion of the Summer Reading Challenge continues to take place, delivered by Library Service staff in every Portsmouth primary school, during the summer term.<li data-bbox="398 691 1771 762">(3) That the Library Service recruits twenty five per cent more young people as volunteers to support library staff in delivering the Challenge in 2014 <p data-bbox="398 804 931 837">The Arthur Conan Doyle Collection</p> <p data-bbox="398 877 586 908">DECISIONS:</p> <ul data-bbox="398 951 1771 1273" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="398 951 1771 1134">(1) That the Cabinet Member compliments the project officer on the progress made so far in the delivery of Sharing Sherlock HLF funded project and its involvement with Portsmouth residents across such a wide geographical area of the city and directly with hard to reach audiences and to note that the main aim of this funding to reach further audiences across Portsmouth is clearly being met.<li data-bbox="398 1169 1771 1273">(2) To note that there is a need to recruit more volunteers to continue with this work and to highlight the essential work which has been carried out by additional Heritage Lottery volunteers on this Collection so far.	<p data-bbox="1800 183 2132 325">David Percival, Learning & Engagement Manager Tel: 9268 8072</p> <p data-bbox="1800 804 2067 946">Laura Weston Learning and Education Officer Tel: 9283 4184</p>

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		<p>Return of a Portrait Miniature</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>(1) To formally de-accession a portrait miniature reputedly depicting the Duke of Buckingham, accession number 2013/1010.</p> <p>(2) To return the portrait miniature to its owner.</p> <p>(3) To introduce a three week cooling off period between receiving a donation and formally accessioning it to mitigate against this situation arising again.</p> <p>D-Day report and Youth Project</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport commends the diligent work of Rebecca Parrant and Jake Walton on this project and will arrange for a formal letter of thanks to be sent to them.</p> <p>NB Call-in date: Monday 23 December 2013.</p>	<p>Dr Jane Mee, Museums & Records Manager Tel: 9283 4788</p> <p>Rosalinda Hardiman Museum Collections Manager Tel: 9283 4757</p> <p>Dr Jane Mee, Museums & Records Manager Tel: 9283 4788</p>

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2		<p>Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation Decision Meeting - 19 December 2013</p> <p>Councillor Jason Fazackarley made the following decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Pay & Display Locations; public consultation via Traffic Regulation Orders. The proposals were rejected. • Enforcement for Park and Ride Bus Lanes. Councillor Fazackarley approved the purchase and use of a camera enforcement system for the M275 southbound and Mile End Road bus lanes. • Doyle Avenue Traffic Calming - Results of Public Consultation. The Cabinet Member agreed in principle that option3, consisting of raised tables constructed within Doyle Avenue be implemented and that a Traffic Regulation Order is made and advertised regarding the proposed installation of traffic calming within Doyle Avenue. • School Crossing Patrol Recruitment Update - this item was for information only and was noted. • Transport for South Hampshire - Constitution. The Cabinet Member supports the establishment of a single strategic transport partnership called Solent Transport, to take the place of Transport for South Hampshire and Isle of Wight (TfSHIoW) and the Solent Local Transport Board (LTB) and noted that establishment of the new body may not proceed until changes to legislation are made and in place. In the interim, the current arrangements will continue. <p>NB Call-in date: Tuesday 31 December.</p>	<p>Lucy Wingham Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4662</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 democratic@portsmouthcc.gov.uk and must be received by not later than 5pm on Tuesday 31 December 2013.**

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
3	Nelson	<p>Appropriation of land at the Tipner Park and Ride Site, Portsmouth</p> <p>Proposal that land at the Tipner Park and Ride site be appropriated from the PRED Portfolio to the Traffic and Transportation Portfolio.</p> <p>The land shown hatched black on Plan No 21213/A which was formerly the Fleet Photographic Unit and the former site of Tipner Lane are currently held in the PRED portfolio. Now that the land is being developed for Park and Ride scheme and the site will be managed by the Traffic and Transportation Portfolio it is therefore proposed to appropriate the land shown hatched back on the plan to the Traffic and Transportation portfolio.</p> <p>A copy of Plan No 21212/A is available to view by calling Jeff Hutchins in Corporate Assets.</p> <p>Originally this area was subject to a land swap, it was in the interest of the Council and it had no detriment in terms of the value on its land holdings. This was also a condition of the grant awarded for the development of the M275 junction and the Park and Ride scheme.</p> <p>The original cost of the land was £680,000 in addition the Housing and Community Agency cleaned up the land for a cost of £250,000 and demolished the Fleet photographic unit at a cost of £60,000.</p> <p>Appropriation from one portfolio to another will have no financial effect on the City Council.</p>	<p>Jeff Hutchins Corporate Assets Tel: 9283 4288</p>

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4	Hilsea and Paulsgrove	<p>Marsden Road and London Road (Hilsea) Public Toilets</p> <p>Proposal that the public toilets at Marsden Road and London Road (Hilsea) be appropriated from the Public Protection Portfolio to the Housing Revenue Account for use by the Green and Clean Team. These toilets were closed on 1 June 2013 when they became surplus to requirements.</p> <p>The land to be transferred is shown edged red on drawings MR1 and LR1 (available to view in the Members' Group Rooms).</p> <p>The land will be transferred for respectively £26,100 and £6,450 for London Road (Hilsea) and Marsden Road. The Housing Service will be responsible for all management and holding costs from 1 June 2013.</p>	<p>Jeff Hutchins Corporate Assets Tel: 92834288</p>

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TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER DECISION TO BE DETERMINED BY THE HEAD OF TRANSPORT & ENVIRONMENT

The Head of Transport & Environment will exercise his powers to proceed with the following Traffic Regulation Order in accordance with the proposed action unless a Councillor requests the proposal to be referred to Committee for decision.

Your request should be made to the **Head of Transport & Environment** by telephoning **Nikki Musson** (☎ 9283 4461) or **Anna Balogh** (☎ 9283 4922) and must be received by not later than 12 noon on **Tuesday 31 December**. You can also make contact by letter, or by email to engineers@portsmouthcc.gov.uk. If you wish to know more about a particular application, please contact the Case Officer indicated.

Item No	Ward	Traffic Regulation Order	Case Officer & Tel No	Head of Transport & Environment's Comments	Proposed Action
5	St Jude	The Portsmouth City Council (Rudmore Roundabout) (Restricted Road) (No.9) Order 2013	Graham Baggaley Tel: 9284 1721	Formal consultation on the proposal took place between 21 November - 12 December 2013. No objections were received. Supported by the police. REASON FOR THE ORDER Initiated by Hampshire Constabulary, to remove the 40mph speed limit, reverting the carriageway to a "restricted road" with automatic 30mph speed limit. This is required in the interests of safety, network cohesion and of reducing signing clutter on the highway.	That the Order is made as advertised and comes into operation from 28 January 2014.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY HEAD OF PLANNING SERVICES

The City Development Manager will exercise her 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 **City Development Manager** by telephoning **Julie Watson** (☎023 9283 4826 or 023 9283 4339 answerphone) and must be received by not later than **5pm on Tuesday 31 December 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
6	13/00843/FUL Central Southsea	361 & 363 Fawcett Road Southsea Change of use of No 361 from House in Multiple Occupation (Sui Generis) and No 363 from dwellinghouse (Class C3) to Hall of Residence (Class C1)	<p>Four representations have been received objecting to the proposal on the grounds of lack of parking, noise and disturbance, no need for a Hall of Residence in this residential area, and area already affected by a high proportion of HMO's.</p> <p>This application seeks approval for the use of a pair of extended houses as a student Hall of Residence within Class C1. One of the properties comprises a sui generis HMO, and the other a vacant house. The proposed Hall of Residence would provide a total of fourteen study/bedrooms [seven in each property] with a connecting corridor at ground floor level. Part of the ground floor would comprise a manager's office, kitchen and communal lounge.</p> <p>Whilst it is acknowledged that there are a number of Class C4 HMO's in the locality this would not preclude a Hall of Residence in policy terms.</p> <p>The proposed use of the site would be limited to a student Hall of Residence within Class C1. Having regard to the proximity of the site to local services and public transport, and mindful of the authorised use of part of the site, it is considered that the proposed use would be considered acceptable in principle. Adequate refuse storage facilities would be secured by planning condition, and the proposal includes the provision of cycle stores adjacent to the rear boundary of the combined garden area. This would be considered to be an acceptable arrangement. It is therefore considered that the application is capable of support.</p>	<p>Ian Parkinson</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4301</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

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7	13/01137/FUL Hilsea	351-353 Copnor Road Portsmouth Change of use to shop (Class A1); external alterations to include new shopfront and installation of roller shutters to front and side elevations	<p>One additional objection to this application has been received. This is based upon the grounds that; a) There are already enough convenience stores in this location; and b) The existing convenience stores already open to 11 o' clock in the evening and sell alcohol.</p> <p>This property is currently in use as a motorcycle sales/repairs garage. The proposed use as a convenience store (Class A1) would be appropriate within this location which is predominantly residential in character. Whilst the application site is outside of the Copnor Road (north) Local Centre, it is below the 280 square metre threshold that applies to town centre uses outside of designated centres. As such, this proposal is considered acceptable in principle. The proposed use as a convenience store would not give rise to any significant increase in traffic in this location and the proposed opening times are considered to be appropriate for this type of use. As such, the proposal is not considered likely to give rise to any significant impact on the amenities of nearby residential occupiers. Furthermore, the proposed perforated metal lath roller shutters would be acceptable in design terms in accordance with policy PCS23 of the Portsmouth Plan.</p>	<p>Laura Grimason Tel: 023 9284 1470 Conditional Permission</p>
8	13/01407/FUL Eastney & Craneswater	<p>Concessions 54-55 & 72 & Former Public Conveniences Southsea Esplanade Southsea</p> <p>Change of use to Cafe (Class A3) and external alterations to include construction of raised deck, railings and retractable roof and screening to the southern elevation, alterations to windows and doors and cladding to all elevations</p>	<p>One representation has been received expressing concern that the proposal would involve the removal of commemorative benches and prevent the area being used by disabled swimmers. Three representations have been received, including one from the Portsmouth Society, in support of the proposals.</p> <p>The applicant has confirmed that the commemorative benches are to be relocated to the concrete apron south of the adjoining concessions. The facilities to be provided would not exclude the use of the site by disabled swimmers. The proposed use of the site as a cafe would be acceptable in principle, and the proposed alterations to the premises are considered to be acceptable in design terms.</p>	<p>Ian Parkinson Tel: 023 9283 4301 Conditional Permission</p>

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9	13/01246/FUL Hilsea	5 Oldgate Gardens Change of use from a dwelling house (Class C3) to purposes falling within Class C4 (house in multiple occupation) or dwelling house (Class C3)	<p>Further to the report on the Members Information Service of 13.12.13, one further letter of representation has been received from a local resident taking the total number of objections to six. Objections can be summarised as follows: (a) Increased noise and disturbance; (b) Impact on family character of the surrounding area; (c) Parking; (d) Anti-social behaviour; (e) Personal circumstances of future occupants and safety of children within the surrounding area; (f) Increase in rubbish; and (g) Fire and health and safety risks.</p> <p>The applicant seeks a planning permission that will enable the use of the property to interchange between a Class C3 dwelling house and a Class 4 HMO. The lawful use of the property is currently Class C3 (dwelling house). Having regard to the aims and objectives of policy PCS20 and the Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) SPD that seek to support mixed and balanced communities, the use of the property as a HMO would not result in an imbalance of such uses, falling well below the 10% threshold (1.7% if permission was granted). In addition it is considered that the proposal would not adversely affect the living conditions of the occupiers of the adjoining and nearby properties or detract from the prevailing family character of the surrounding area.</p> <p>It is considered that the level of occupation generally associated with the use of any given property as a HMO (C4) is not materially different to the use of a property as a Class C3 dwelling house occupied by either a single family or other groups living as a single household. On that basis and given that there is not a significant concentration of HMOs within the surrounding area, it is considered that and objection on, increased noise and disturbance, increased rubbish or parking could not be sustained.</p> <p>Whilst the concerns of local residents in respect of the personal circumstances/background of current and future occupants is noted, the application is considering the acceptability of the use at the site and not individual users. Other legislation beyond the planning system is available to address concerns relating to anti-social behaviour and activity.</p>	<p>Gary Christie</p> <p>Tel: 023 92688592</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

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10		<p>Changes to Commercial Bus Services in Portsmouth from 26 January 2014</p> <p>First Hampshire, Dorset and Berkshire Bus Company have registered with the Traffic Commissioners office a number of changes to commercial bus routes in Portsmouth. The following is an overview of the changes:</p> <p><u>Service 2 (Gunwharf-Paulsgrove)</u> The service will be withdrawn from Hillsley Road, and will instead terminate at Paulsgrove shops in Allaway Avenue. The route will also be diverted to serve Ludlow Road instead of Allaway Avenue between Paulsgrove Shops and Upper Wymering. However, Hillsley Road will continue to be served by a revised 18 service.</p> <p><u>Service 7/7C (Wecock Farm-Portsmouth)</u> The morning peak will see additional journeys between Portsmouth City Centre and South Downs College/Oaklands School to accommodate the large increase in demand for travel at this time.</p> <p><u>Service 8/X8 (Clanfield-Portsmouth)</u> The service will be amended to operate between Clanfield Drift Road and Portsmouth only. The service X8 (one journey only at 0725 from Clanfield) will also be withdrawn, but an equivalent journey will operate as a normal 8 service. There will be consequent timetable changes to morning and afternoon peak journeys.</p> <p><u>Service 15 (Hayling Ferry-Portsmouth)</u> There will be a revised morning timetable, allowing hourly departures from Hayling Ferry between 0705 and 2000 on Mondays to Fridays and between 0800 and 2000 on Saturdays.</p> <p><u>Service 17/18 (Tipner-Southsea-Paulsgrove)</u> Service 18 will be extended to start and finish at Hillsley Road, Paulsgrove. Additionally the route will be amended around Queen Alexandra Hospital to allow common stops to be used at the main entrance. The new route will run via Southampton Road, hospital main entrance and Sevenoaks Road, before returning to Southampton Road. There will be consequent changes to the timetable of both the 17 and 18 routes.</p> <p><u>Service 22 (North-Portchester-Cosham)</u> This service between North Portchester, Portchester, Paulsgrove and Cosham High Street will be withdrawn. It will be replaced by service F3 a partial replacement service, which will run between Fareham Bus Station, North Portchester Dore Avenue and Portchester Precinct.</p>	<p>Danny Johnson Transport & Environment Tel: 9284 1446</p>

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11		<p>Leader's Portfolio - Decision Meeting - Monday 23 December at 11am in the Executive Meeting Room, Guildhall</p> <p>One exempt report will be considered regarding "Highways PFI Material Damage Policy".</p>	<p>Vicki Plytas Senior Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4058</p>
12	Copnor	<p>207 Powerscourt Road, Portsmouth, PO2 7JH Appeal Ref No: 13/01090/FUL Appeal Start Date: 13/12/2013</p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for the conversion to form two dwellinghouses (Resubmission of 13/00322/FUL)</p> <p>The appeal will be dealt with by the written representation procedure.</p>	<p>Simon Barnett Planning Services Tel: 9284 1281</p>
13		<p>Change4Life Campaign Briefing</p> <p>This January will see the launch of a major new Change4Life campaign, 'Smart Swaps', to help families cut sugar and saturated fat from their everyday snacks, drinks and meals. Portsmouth has been selected as one of eight local authorities to act as amplifying agents for the campaign.</p> <p>We have invited a representative from Public Health England to come and talk to us about the campaign and how it will help local people to establish new behaviours that will see a long term reduction in calorie consumption.</p> <p>The briefing will take place on 7 January at 2pm in conference room A. Please get in touch in you would be interested in attending.</p>	<p>Julia Holt or Penny Watson Corporate Communications, Tel: 9268 8934</p>

NB – There will be no Members' Information Service next week; the next issue will be published on Friday 3 January 2014

Seasons' Greetings

