

City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

NO 1

DATE: FRIDAY 3 JANUARY 2014

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 Leader's decision meeting was held at 11am on 23 December 2013 in the Executive Meeting Room, The Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The Leader made a decision on the following exempt item:</p> <p>Highways PFI Material Damage Policy</p> <p>DECISION: that the recommendation contained in the exempt report be authorised.</p> <p>This removes the material damage insurance from the Highways PFI Contract and transfers that risk to the Council; in turn, the PFI Service Provider will reduce the unitary charge (their income from the contract) and the Council will benefit from a reduction in the cost of the Contract.</p> <p>As the decision must be taken by such a date that it is impracticable to defer the decision until it has been included in the next forward plan, this decision will not be subject to call-in.</p>	<p>Vicki Plytas, Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4058</p> <p>Simon Moon, Head of Transport and Environment Tel: 9283 4955</p> <p>Chris Ward, Head of Finance and S151 Officer Tel: 9283 4423</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 Friday 10 January 2014.**

An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

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

PORTFOLIO: CHILDREN & EDUCATION

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	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
2	Drayton & Farlington	<p>Works at Solent Infant School</p> <p>Proposal that Approved Education Capital Expenditure be re-allocated so that the boilers can be replaced at Solent Infant School.</p> <p>On 4 March 2011 the Cabinet Member for Children and Education approved the allocation of £200,000 for legionella works and fire systems at Mayfield School as part of the School Modernisation Programme 2011/12. The scheme has been completed at a total cost of £162,000. A balance of £38,000 therefore remains.</p> <p>The two boilers at Solent Infant School are in need of replacing. They were originally installed in 1994. Since then one has broken and the other whilst still operational is likely to fail in the near future. The situation is further compounded by the fact that the models are no longer produced and spare parts are no longer available. It is therefore proposed that the council replaces both boilers to ensure the school can continue to operate without risk of school closure. The estimated cost is £31,000.</p> <p>Approval is therefore sought to re-allocate £31,000 from the capital scheme at Mayfield School to the scheme at Solent Infant School in order to replace the boilers.</p>	<p>Mike Stoneman Strategic Commissioning Manager Tel: 9284 1712</p>

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 **5 pm on Friday 10 January 2014**. 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	13/01409/HOU Baffins	<p>27 Riverhead Close Southsea Hampshire</p> <p>Construction of two storey side extension following demolition of the existing garage</p>	<p>One representation has been received from the occupiers of a property to the south-west, which fronts Mayles Road and has a rear garden backing onto the grounds of St James Hospital, objecting to the proposal on the grounds that the proposed extension would allow the property to overlook the secluded part of the garden resulting in a loss of privacy.</p> <p>Permission is sought for the construction of a two-storey side extension set 0.9m off the common boundary with the rear gardens to houses fronting Mayles Road. The extension would provide a south-facing bedroom at first floor level with a 1.6m wide casement window to match the existing fenestration. The proposed window would be situated approximately 11m away from the objector's garden and offer a similar view that occurs from the existing south-facing bedroom window. The proposed extension would not, therefore, be considered to significantly increase the degree to which the Mayles Road properties are overlooked. In design terms the proposed extension would be considered acceptable.</p>	<p>Ian Parkinson</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4301</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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	WARD		OFFICER CONTACT
4		<p>Cabinet - Monday 6 January 2014 at 12 noon in the Executive Meeting Room, Guildhall</p> <p>The Cabinet is due to consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarification of minute relating to Scrap Metal Fees • Car Boot Sales • Effective School Governance Strategy • Textile Banks - allocation of income • Provision of free school meals for infant aged children • Calculation of the tax base for 2014/15 and estimation of the Council Tax collection fund balance at 31 March 2014 • City Deal • Dates of future meetings of the Cabinet 	<p>Joanne Wildsmith Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4057</p>
5		<p>Licensing Sub Committee - Wednesday 8 January 2014 at 9.30am in the executive meeting room, floor 3 of The Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The sub-committee will consider the following applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the variation of a premises licence - Co-Op, 100-102 Elm Grove, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO5 1LP • Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the grant of a premises licence - Mini Box, 7-9 Market Way, Portsmouth, PO1 4BX 	<p>Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>
6		<p>Planning Committee - Wednesday 8 January 2014 at 2pm in the council chamber, floor 2 of The Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The committee will consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning appeal decision at Petrol Station, Holbrook Road, Portsmouth • Planning applications: • 13/01176/PLAREG - 287 New Road, Portsmouth - Retrospective application for the change of use from dwellinghouse to mixed use of dwellinghouse and dog boarding business. 	<p>Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>

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	Contd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13/01182/HOU - Annesley House, Queens Crescent, Southsea - Installation of double access gates including construction of new gate pier and formation of dropped kerb to provide vehicular access (after removal of part of existing wall/pier). • 13/01183/LBC - Annesley House, Queens Crescent, Southsea - External alterations to allow the installation of double access gates including construction of new gate pier and formation of dropped kerb to provide vehicular access (after removal of part of existing wall/pier). • 13/01179/FUL - 130-136 Elm Grove, Southsea - Conversion of existing offices and health drop-in centre (D1) to form halls of residence within Class C1 (comprising 53 study bedrooms arranged as 13 cluster flats); alterations to external glazing and cladding, construction of cycle and bin stores with associated landscaping (resubmission of 13/00442/FUL). • 13/01169/FUL - 29 Palmerston Road, Southsea - Change of use from retail use (Class A1) to coffee shop (mixed use A1/A3); installation of new shopfront and outdoor seating area. 	
7		<p>Licensing Policy Committee - Friday 10 January 2014 at 9.30am in the executive meeting room, floor 3 of The Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The committee will consider the Annual Review of Licensing Fees, which was adjourned from the Licensing Committee meeting held on 22 November 2013.</p>	<p>Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>
8		<p>240 Fratton Road, Portsmouth, PO1 5HH Appeal Ref No: 13/01040/FUL Appeal Start Date: 18/12/2013</p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for the construction of a new roof to form 2 flats and extension of existing stairwell (resubmission of 12/01220/FUL)</p> <p>The appeal will be dealt with by the written representation procedure.</p>	<p>Simon Barnett Planning Services Tel: 9284 1281</p>

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9		<p>Site at Land Rear of Portland Hotel, Tonbridge Street, Southsea, PO5 3ET Appeal Ref: 13/00409/FUL Date Lodged: 25/10/2013 New Appeal Start Date: 19/12/2013</p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for the construction of 4 storey building fronting Tonbridge Street comprising coffee shop (within Class A3) to ground floor with 6 flats over and detached cycle store</p> <p>This appeal will now be dealt with by the informal hearing procedure.</p>	<p>Simon Barnett Planning Services Tel: 9284 1281</p>
10		<p>6 Palmerston Road, Southsea, PO5 3QH Appeal Ref No: 13/00679/VOC Appeal Start Date: 19/12/2013</p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for an application to vary condition 3 of planning permission 13/00288/FUL to extend hours of opening to Monday to Saturday 0630 - 2300hrs and Sundays and Bank Holidays 0700 - 2300hrs</p> <p>The appeal will be dealt with by the written representation procedure.</p>	<p>Gary Christie Planning Services Tel: 9268 8592</p>
11		<p>Governance and Audit and Standards (Assessment) Sub Committee - Friday 10 January 2014 at 3pm in Conference Room K.</p> <p>An (Assessment) Sub-Committee of the Governance and Audit and Standards Committee will meet and is expected to consider in exempt session a complaint against two members.</p>	<p>Vicki Plytas, Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4058</p>

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12		<p>New Director of Public Health starts in Portsmouth</p> <p>We are pleased to announce that our new Director of Public Health (DPH) at Portsmouth City Council, Dr Janet Maxwell started on 2 January 2014. Janet is an experienced GP who still does clinical work. Her CV lists previous DPH roles at Bristol and West Berkshire.</p> <p>"Having trained in Southampton I was very keen to come back to the south, Portsmouth has a very strong sense of identity and history and I love that people are so proud to live here. Yet alongside this sense of pride and identity, Portsmouth has some serious health issues and deprivation. People are dying of preventable diseases and so I feel it's important for me to help encourage people to make healthier lifestyle choices by providing the support and services that they need.</p> <p>I am keen to work with the local community as well to understand the issues they face but also to encourage them to take more responsibility for their own health. These are exciting but challenging times so we need to work closer together to address needs of the population, we can do more with less.</p> <p>I am keen to join such a strong public health team; there is a lot of excellent work already happening in Portsmouth. There are good opportunities now that public health is part of the council to work across the organisation to tackle the causes of poor health. I'm also keen to continue working closely with partner organisations in the city such as the CCG, hospital trust and the voluntary sector. It is an exciting time to be a part of public health."</p> <p>Dr Andrew Mortimore (Director of Public Health for Southampton) has been working jointly with us and Southampton for the past year on a temporary basis. Both Andrew, the Clinical Commissioning Group, and the council felt that a dedicated Director for Public Health specifically for Portsmouth would give us a leader and champion for health in the city, lever funding for local public health programmes, and strengthen relationships with city partners, including the University.</p> <p>As Director of Public Health, Janet will also oversee the Health, Safety and Licensing service (led by Rachael Dalby) and we welcome her to the council.</p>	<p>Tarnia Goodsell Corporate Communications Tel: 9268 8267</p>