

City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

NO 39

DATE: FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2008

The Members' Information Service produced in the Democratic & Community Engagement 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 Member for Traffic & Transportation Decision Meeting – 18 September</p> <p>At her decision meeting, Councillor Lynne Stagg made the following decisions:</p>	<p>Karen Martin Tel: 9283 4052 Lucy Wingham Tel: 9283 4662</p>
	All	<p>The Portsmouth City Council (Southsea Common Overflow) (Off-street Parking Places) (No 20) Order 2008</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided that the Order be made as advertised.</p>	<p>Ken Ellcome Parking Office Tel: 9268 8295</p>
	Cosham, Drayton & Farlington	<p>The Portsmouth City Council (East Cosham Extension) (Residents' Parking Places and Prohibition of Waiting) (No 30) Order 2008</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided that the Order be Deferred to allow for further consultation with QA Hospital and residents.</p> <p>She asked also officers to ensure that residents at 68-74 Havant Road be provided with Residents Parking Permits immediately.</p>	<p>Ken Ellcome Parking Office Tel: 9268 8295</p>
	All	<p>The Portsmouth City Council (City Centre Improvements) (Pay & Display and Amendments to Waiting Restrictions) (No 32) Order 2008</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided that the Order be made as advertised with the following exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change From Prohibition Of Waiting, to Pay & Display Parking Places - Station Street - The south side: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) A 38m length, west of its junction with Durham St (b) A 41m length, west of the exit to Matalan's car park (opposite the junction with Slindon St) • Change from bus stand to pay and display parking places – Stanhope Road – the west side, the 12m bay, currently a bus stand • Change from police stand to pay and display parking places – Stanhope Road – the west side, the 6m bay currently a Police Stand 	<p>Ken Ellcome Parking Office Tel: 9268 8295</p>
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Baffins, Charles Dickens, Copnor, Cosham, Drayton & Farlington, Fratton, Hilsea, Milton, Nelson, St Jude, St Thomas	<p>The Portsmouth City Council (Various Roads) (Prohibition of Waiting and Loading and Amendments to Prohibition and Restriction of waiting) (No. 26) Order 2008</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided that the Order be made as advertised, with the following exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delete Item J3 relating to Waverley Road • Delete Item B1 (a) relating to the west side of Chelsea Road • Amend Item I relating to Aldsworth Close, reducing the limited waiting operation time to Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm • Amend Items J1 and J2 relating to Aldsworth Close and Aldsworth Gardens, reducing the No Waiting operation time to Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm. <p>She also asked that the resident of Aldsworth Close who had recently applied for a disabled bay have this put in at the same time as the Order was implemented if the application for the bay is granted.</p>	Nikki Dridge Parking Office Tel: 9268 8285
Milton, St Jude, Hilsea, Baffins	<p>The Portsmouth City Council (Various Roads) (One Way System) (No 28) Order 2008</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided that the proposed one-way roads identified in documents 1148/3/08 TRO 37 and 1148/3/08 TRO 28 are approved as advertised. She also decided that the implementation of the one way scheme in Kipling Road would be deferred until a decision had been made in relation to the proposed changes to the pedestrian crossing in London Road (AI 12).</p>	Tracey Savage Parking Office Tel: 9284 1312
All	<p>Updated Residents' Parking Programme</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided that the following areas be surveyed in priority order from existing budgets as below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fratton North • Baffins West • Re-survey parts of Baffins East • Re-survey North Kings • Re-survey South Kings • Re-survey Orchard Road area • Magdala Road area, east of Cosham High Street • Stamshaw 	Ken Ellcome Parking Office Tel: 9268 8295

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St Jude	<p>B2155, Waverley Road – Pedestrian Crossing</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg approved the implementation of this zebra crossing in that proposed location and decided that the zig-zags beyond the crossing on the north and the south sides of the road should be reduced to the minimum possible.</p>	<p>Sam Francis Traffic & Street Management Tel: 9284 1333</p>
Copnor	<p>A2030, Eastern Road – Vehicle Restraint System Study Assessment</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided that double white lines and reduced spacing between the studs should be implemented and that the effectiveness of this proposal be monitored to assess whether it had a positive effect on driver behaviour.</p>	<p>Angela Gill Traffic & Street Management Tel: 9268 8261</p>
Hilsea	<p>London Road – Zebra Crossing</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided to Defer this item.</p>	<p>Barry Rawlings Traffic & Street Management Tel: 9268 8341</p>
All	<p>Vacant Tree Pits</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided that residents should be offered the choice of a tree or shrub in vacant tree pit sites and that a programme of works to fill the pits with trees or shrubs should be developed once funding has been identified.</p>	<p>Andy Finch Traffic & Street Management Tel: 9283 4620</p>

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	All	<p>Highway Management PFI Contract – Surface Treatments</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg noted the report.</p>	<p>Andy Finch Traffic & Street Management Tel: 9283 4620</p>																		
	All	<p>Road Improvements Revenue Budget 2008/9</p> <p>Cabinet Member Councillor Stagg decided that subject to ratification by Full Council that:</p> <p>(1) the £50,000 Road Improvements budget be supplemented by £100,000 from the Parking Reserve in order to deliver the following schemes, subject to public consultation and ward Councillor approval of the individual measures:</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th style="text-align: right;">£</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>• removal of redundant build-outs and planters</td> <td style="text-align: right;">50,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• removal of roadside verges to create parking.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">20,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• reduced waiting restrictions to create parking.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">20,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• street lighting of adopted alleyways</td> <td style="text-align: right;">20,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• one way streets (supplement to current £40,000 budget)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">20,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• trees</td> <td style="text-align: right;">10,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• safety fencing at Tipner boat underpass.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>10,000</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">150,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>and subject to (1) above, that the Head of Transport and Street Management be given flexibility, in liaison with the Cabinet Member, to determine the specific locations of these measures and to vary the amount expended on each kind of measure.</p>		£	• removal of redundant build-outs and planters	50,000	• removal of roadside verges to create parking.....	20,000	• reduced waiting restrictions to create parking.....	20,000	• street lighting of adopted alleyways	20,000	• one way streets (supplement to current £40,000 budget)	20,000	• trees	10,000	• safety fencing at Tipner boat underpass.....	<u>10,000</u>	150,000	<p>Charlie Stunell Head of Traffic & Street Management Tel: 9283 4574</p>
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	All	<p>Monitoring of the Outturn of the 2008/09 Revenue Cash Limits & Capital Programme</p> <p>The report was noted by the Cabinet Member, Councillor Lynne Stagg.</p> <p>NB: Call-in Date: Monday 29 September</p>	<p>Mark Webb Traffic & Street Management Tel: 9283 4578</p>																		

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2		<p>Cabinet Member for Housing - Decision Meeting – 23 September 2008</p> <p>Councillor Steve Wylie, the Cabinet member for Housing took the following decisions:-</p> <p>Private Sector Housing Stock Condition Report</p> <p>The Cabinet member</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) noted the results of the comprehensive Private Sector House Condition Survey. (2) supported the continued use of innovative and accessible city council funded financial assistance packages to support housing renewal, improvement and refurbishment in the private sector. (3) welcomed the proposal to run a ‘Winter Warmth’ campaign for 2008/09 to offer advice and practical support to older residents to improve the thermal comfort of their homes. <p>Homelessness Strategy and Action Plan 2008 – 2013</p> <p>The Cabinet member</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) noted the publication of the Homelessness Strategy 2008 - 2013 on the city council website. (2) supported the work of the Housing Partnership’s Homelessness Focus Group as it confirms the Action Plan that will take the strategy forward over the next five years. <p>Housing Portfolio – Cash Limit Budget Monitoring Report 2008/09</p> <p>The Cabinet member noted the report.</p> <p>NB: Call-in Date: Wednesday 1 October</p>	<p>Joanne Wildsmith Democratic Support Officer Tel: 9283 4057</p>

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3		<p>Culture & Leisure Decision Meeting - 25 September</p> <p>At this meeting the Cabinet Member for Culture & Leisure, Councillor Terry Hall, made these decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to extend the Museum Service's postal research service to include the fine and decorative art, military history, natural science and archaeology collections from 1 October 2008. • to introduce a "dowry" system to support large private and business archive deposits (as previously agreed in principle under minute 13/08) with a per box figure of £10 and an amended threshold of 20 boxes per depositor. • to agree that the capital funding of £100,000 allocated by the City Council for Milton Village Hall be used as match funding with Sport England to enable a refurbishment and extension project to take place, to improve the viability and long term future of the hall. • to note the decision of the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust regarding its future involvement in Cumberland House, and to continue to work with the Trust to encourage further development of its offer to participate in the future of the museum; and to submit at the appropriate time a capital bid for the redevelopment of Cumberland House, in accordance with Disability Discrimination Act requirements. • to note the purpose and scope of the skills for life development collection in the Library Service, and to agree that future stock selection and initiative planning for the collection will be achieved through consultation with early learning providers in the city. <p>NB: Call-in Date: Monday 6 October</p>	<p>Lin Chaplen Democratic Support Officer Tel: 9283 4053</p>

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4		<p>Cabinet - Decision Meeting – Monday 22 September</p> <p>Open Space at Fort Cumberland Road, Southsea (QinetiQ)</p> <p>The Cabinet received both internal and independent Counsel’s legal advice confirming the powers being exercised by the Cabinet at this meeting (and those under the separate remit of the Development Control Committee).</p> <p>The Head of Planning Services confirmed that he would be seeking advice as to whether, on the basis of the evidence currently before the Council both from the applicants and objectors, a further bird survey can be required under the terms of the Town and Country Planning Environmental Assessment Regulations. If a survey is required and it is shown from the results of that there has been a material change in circumstances then the matter needs to be referred to the Development Control Committee. The new study would be in the public domain. The applicant has agreed to prepare a new Flood Risk Assessment which will be reported to the Development Control Committee if there has been a material change of circumstances.</p> <p>In considering the legal advice and that of the Head of Planning Services set out above the Cabinet DECIDED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Council officers be authorised to complete the Deed of Release and Grant of Easement and the appropriation, both authorised by the Cabinet on 7 July 2008, in the absence of a legally material objection received by the Council to the loss of open space at Fort Cumberland. ii) That the Deed be amended at 9.2(a) and (c) to ensure that the restriction of access be made on the advice of the appropriate body, ie. the local authority, the police or the Health & Safety Executive iii) that there be no access to the land subject to the easement by the developer until the necessary planning permission is gained, but that there be access for any required survey. <p style="text-align: right;">/Cont’d ...</p>	<p>Joanne Wildsmith Democratic Support Officer Tel: 9283 4057</p>

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		<p>iv) That a separate report to the Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration and Economic Development be presented outlining the most appropriate mechanism to safeguard the caravan park land from further development of high-rise or other intrusive buildings.</p> <p>v) That the letters of objection and other provided evidence that had environmental or other planning concerns be passed to the Head of Planning Services.</p> <p>vi) That the objectors be sent copies of the Cabinet's resolution.</p> <p>NB: Call-in Date: Wednesday 1 October</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 3 October 2008.**
An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

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

PORTFOLIO: TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION

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	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
5	St Jude	<p>Clarence Parade, Proposed Zebra Crossing in the Vicinity of Jolly Sailor's Public House – Pedestrian Crossing Review</p> <p>Proposal: to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order for a new zebra crossing.</p> <p>Following the pedestrian crossing review undertaken by Transport and Street Management in 2007 to improve the safety of the pedestrians at a number of locations throughout Portsmouth, it was recommended that a new zebra crossing would be provided at Clarence Parade in the vicinity of the Jolly Sailor's Public House.</p> <p>The proposed improvements include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New zebra crossing in the vicinity of the Jolly Sailor's Public House; • Proposed footway buildout to reduce the crossing length for pedestrians; • Proposed pedestrian refuge to further improve the safety for pedestrians; and • A right turn lane for drivers accessing Lennox Road South. <p>The proposed scheme is shown on drawing number: 5064533/TP/CP/GA/001</p>	<p>Sam Francis Transport and Street Management Tel: 9284 1333</p>

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6	Baffins	<p>Tangier Road, Proposed Zebra Crossing in the Vicinity of Baffins Public House – Pedestrian Crossing Review</p> <p>Proposal: to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order for a new zebra crossing.</p> <p>Following the pedestrian crossing review undertaken by Transport and Street Management in 2007 to improve the safety of the pedestrians at a number of locations throughout Portsmouth, it was recommended that a new zebra crossing would be provided at Tangier Road in the vicinity of the Baffins Public House.</p> <p>The proposed improvements include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New zebra crossing in the vicinity of the Baffins Public House; • Existing pedestrian refuge would be modified to incorporate the new crossing; and • A right turn lane for drivers accessing Westover Road. <p>The proposed scheme is shown on drawing number: 5064533/TP/TR/GA/001</p>	<p>Sam Francis Transport and Street Management Tel: 9284 1333</p>

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7	St Jude	<p>Museum Road, Proposed Zebra Crossing in the Vicinity of the Portsmouth Grammar School – Pedestrian Crossing Review</p> <p>Proposal: to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order for a new zebra crossing.</p> <p>Following the pedestrian crossing review undertaken by Transport and Street Management in 2007 to improve the safety of the pedestrians at a number of locations throughout Portsmouth, it was recommended that a new zebra crossing would be provided at Museum Road in the vicinity of the Portsmouth Grammar School.</p> <p>The proposed improvements include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New zebra crossing in the vicinity of the Portsmouth Grammar School; • Footway buildout on both sides of the carriageway to improve visibility to pedestrians; • A large pedestrian refuge to further enhance the safety for pedestrians; • Improvements to existing bus stop in the vicinity; and • Wider footways for pedestrians. <p>The proposed scheme is shown on drawing number: 5064533/TP/MR/GA/001</p>	<p>Sam Francis Transport and Street Management Tel: 9284 1333</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 3 October 2008**. 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	Application Type Case Officer Proposed Decision
8	08/01231/FUL Eastney & Craneswater	22 Granada Road Southsea Conversion of hotel into 3 flats; external alterations to include construction of dormer windows to front and rear roofslopes, and associated refuse/cycle stores (Resubmission of 07/01316/FUL)	<p>3 letters of representation received raising objection on the following grounds: a) highway safety; b) lack of parking; c) too many flats in Granada Road; d) disturbance during construction works; and e) increase in burglary, due to types of residents.</p> <p>The scheme is similar to that recently refused, however, there is a reduction in the number of units from 4 flats to 3, and the proposed rear extension has been removed from the application. The previous scheme was refused on flood risk grounds and failure to make the required contributions towards open space and sustainable transport. The applicants have confirmed that they will make the contributions and the Environment Agency has not raised any objection to this revised scheme and therefore the scheme is considered to have addressed the previous reasons for refusal. Overall the scheme is considered to be appropriate and although no parking is proposed the site is close to other forms of transport and cycle storage would be provided and no objections can therefore be raised on parking, or highway safety grounds. Whilst it is inevitable that there would be some disturbance during conversion works, this would be temporary and is not considered sufficient to warrant refusal of the application.</p>	<p>Mark Bridge</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4298</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>
9	08/01374/FUL Paulsgrove	Household Waste Recycling Point Port Way Paulsgrove Continued use of the Household Waste Recycling Centre for temporary period until December 2011	<p>Two letters received (from one household) raising objection on the grounds that the waste recycling centre already exists and that the access should conform to the Local Authority's strategy on access to Port Solent.</p> <p>Having regard to the separation distances proposed and the presence of an existing 'open' facility it is considered that the proposal would not have a significant effect to the amenities of nearby occupiers in terms of noise and general disturbance.</p>	<p>Jonathan McDermott</p> <p>Tel: 023 9284 1470</p> <p>Conditional Temporary Permission</p>

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10	08/01430/FUL Drayton & Farlington	319 Havant Road Farlington Portsmouth Construction of dormer windows to side elevations	<p>One email of objection was received on behalf of the Portsmouth Society on the grounds that the proposed dormer windows would be out of character to this 1930s house and would not enhance the streetscene.</p> <p>The applicant seeks permission for the construction of dormer windows with hipped roofs to the side roofslopes. The dormer windows would each measure 2.1m in width and some 2.8m in height, set back 0.5m from the side wall. There is a clear gap between the dormer windows, the eaves and the sides of the roof. The dormer windows would not amount to a visually obtrusive or discordant feature in relation to the building or street scene. Whilst the dormer windows would overlook the adjoining properties to a degree, that the harm to amenity could be overcome by the imposition of a condition requiring the windows to be obscure glazed and non-opening. In these circumstances the scheme is considered capable of support.</p> <p>As from the 1 October 2008 the amendment to the General Permitted Development Order would allow the side dormer windows to be constructed without the need for a planning application providing that the windows are obscure glazed and non-opening to a height of 1.7m above the floor of the room in which the window is installed.</p>	<p>Nicola Frampton Tel: 023 9283 4305</p> <p>Permission</p>
11	08/01453/FUL Fratton	Claremont Road R/O 44-48 Fratton Road Portsmouth Construction of 14 flats after demolition of existing buildings (Resubmission of 08/00552/FUL)	<p>1 letter received raising objection on the grounds that the windows are too small.</p> <p>The windows in the scheme include standard windows and French doors and are considered acceptable. Furthermore, the scheme is identical to that recently refused and therefore the only grounds for objecting to the proposal would need to relate to the previous reasons for refusal, which were in respect of the required contributions and on-site affordable housing provision.</p>	<p>Mark Bridge Tel: 023 9283 4298</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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	WARD		OFFICER CONTACT
12		<p>Media Releases</p> <p>The following media releases have been issued in the last week by the Corporate Communications Team. They can all be read in the news section of the City Council's website. For hard copies, or further information, please contact Corporate Communications Team.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love Albert Road Day hits the streets on Sunday • Purge on street clutter to create more parking • New bus lanes to speed up services • Local artists have just a few more days to prepare their entries for the Portsmouth Open • Inspired? youth arts projects prepares to go out with a bang • Young people have the power! • From books to battlements, Team Readers awarded at Southsea Castle • Roll up for new beach volleyball court • More suggestions needed for new parks and play spaces as part of £2m scheme 	<p>Corporate Communications Team Tel: 9283 4142</p>
13		<p>Cabinet Member for Education, Children & Young People Decision Meeting – Monday, 29 September at 9:30am in the Executive Meeting Room in the Guildhall</p> <p>The following items will be considered by the Cabinet Member for Education, Children & Young People:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Portsmouth Play Pathfinder – information update 2. National Drug Strategy and the Youth Alcohol Action Plan – briefing on the impact of the National Drug Strategy and Youth Alcohol Action Plan upon the local partnership. 3. 'Sort it Portsmouth' A Social Marketing Programme for Health Improvement - outline of the development of a programme of social marketing for health improvement including an overarching campaign strap line and targeted campaigns within 2008/2009 4. Children's Centres Phase 3 2008 – 2011 - update on progress in achieving citywide Children's Centre Services by 2011. 5. Post 16 Education Transport Partnership Fund Policy Statement (Supplementary Item) 	<p>Teresa Deasy Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4056</p>

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14		<p>Licensing Sub Committee - Tuesday 30 September 2008 at 9.30am in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3 of the Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The following item will be considered;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the variation of a premises licence - McColls, 187 Chatsworth Avenue, Cosham, Portsmouth, PO6 2UH. 	<p>Lucy Wingham/ Karen Martin Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662/ 9283 4052</p>
15		<p>Cabinet Member for Resources - Decision Meeting - 2 October 2pm Conference Room A, Civic Offices</p> <p>At this meeting, the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Hugh Mason, will consider reports on the Voluntary & Community Sector grants review, making proposals and recommendations about the way forward to continue to support an environment for a thriving third sector in the city and a Budget Monitoring report 2008/09 - Revenue Cash Limit and Capital Programme.</p>	<p>Lin Chaplen Democratic Support Officer Tel: 9283 4053</p>
16		<p>Cabinet Member for Environment & Community Safety - Decision Meeting - Thursday 2 October at 4pm in Conference Room A, Civic Offices</p> <p>Councillor Jason Fazackarley will be considering the following reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Change Strategy Consultation Waste Management Tripartite and Service Level Agreement (SLA) Monitoring of 2008/09 Cash Limits and Capital Programme for the period ended 31 July 2008 Abandoned Shopping Trolleys - Implementing Revised Legislation Dog Fouling Monthly Update - October 2008 	<p>Joanne Wildsmith Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4057</p>

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17		<p>Development Control Committee - 24 September</p> <p>The Committee considered the following main agenda items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appeal Decision - Site: 295-297 Highland Road, Southsea - Proposal: Construction of 9 dwellinghouses <p>The Inspector's decision to allow the appeal was noted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birdlip Close, Paulsgrove – Footpath Closure <p>Members agreed that a public path extinguishment order in the form of annex 1 be made and that the making of the order be advertised in accordance with the provisions of the Highways Act 1980.</p> <p>The Committee made the following decisions on development applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 08/01130/FUL - 28 Campbell Road, Southsea – construction of dormer window to rear roofslope was granted Conditional Permission. • 08/01250/FUL - 5 Brandon Road, Southsea – construction of first floor extension over existing rear projection was Refused. • 08/01333/OUT - 205 Goldsmith Avenue, Southsea – outline application for construction of three-storey building to form 14 self contained flats (6 x 1 bed and 8 x 2 bed) with associated cycle and refuse stores (after demolition of existing building) (principles of access, appearance, layout and scale to be considered) was Refused. 	<p>Lucy Wingham/ Karen Martin Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662/ 9283 4052</p>

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18		<p>Notice of Motion - City Council Meeting - 7 October</p> <p>The following notice of motion, proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson and seconded by Councillor Jacqui Hancock, will be considered:</p> <p>Mobility Benefits for Blind Residents</p> <p>This Council notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That blind people experience significant barriers to independent mobility; 2. That blind people are often isolated and find it difficult to access basic services without mobility assistance. 3. That many blind residents in this authority area find it difficult to access Shops, Supermarkets, Doctors, Dentists and Community facilities and centres; 4. Our blind residents find it difficult to access many Council Services ranging from housing to voting without mobility support and face additional costs as a result, such as using taxis or private hire vehicles. <p>This Council further notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That blind people are not entitled to the higher rate mobility component of disability living allowance. 2. Loss of usable sight clearly causes significant independent mobility problems and incurs significant additional and unmet costs. 3. That blind people are in many parts of England excluded from social care support because their needs are not considered "critical" or "substantial". <p>Therefore this Council resolves:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To ask the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council to write to the Secretary of State for Work & Pensions, the Rt Hon James Purnell MP, expressing these concerns; 2. To ask the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council to write to our local MPs asking that they sign up to EDM number 1982 and write to the Secretary of State expressing these concerns; 3. To support the Royal National Institute of Blind People's (RNIB) campaign on securing the higher rate mobility component of DLA for blind people. 	<p>Lin Chaplen Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4053</p>

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19		<p>Local Government Association – LGA Alerts – Information sent to Local Authorities for week commencing Monday 22 September 2008 - Checklist 38/08</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>Flooding Resilience and Protection workshops Defra are currently running a consultation on policy options for promoting household flood resilience and protection. As part of the consultation process there are four free regional workshops, aimed at local authority officers and members taking place during October. LG Alert Reference: 173/08</p> <p>LGA EVENTS</p> <p>LGA/EST Annual Climate Change Conference, 21-22 January 2009 Over the last year many councils have demonstrated their commitment to tackling climate change by adopting targets through the new performance framework. The Local Government Association and Energy Saving Trust Conference, being held at the Lowry Hotel in Manchester, will focus on the opportunities and challenges in meeting those targets. LG Alert Reference: 174/08</p> <p>Teenage Pregnancy Seminar The inclusion of teenage pregnancy in so many of your Local Area Agreements reflects the high priority you are giving to reducing your under 18 conception rate and improving the life chances and economic prosperity of young people in your community. To help you reach your LAA teenage pregnancy target, we are holding a seminar in London for Lead Members on Wednesday 19 November - setting out the key ingredients for accelerating progress on teenage pregnancy and sharing the learning from colleagues across the country. LG Alert Reference: 177/08</p>	<p>Local Government Association (LGA) Email: info@lga.gov.uk Tel: 020 7664 3131 www.lga.gov.uk</p>

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		<p>LGA GROUP VACANCIES</p> <p>Secondment Opportunity - Improvement Strategist for the IDeA (London based) This role is to contribute to the Agency's thinking and strategic development in response to the key policy and wider public sector issues affecting local government; to manage programmes and projects across the Agency that translate agreed strategies into Agency policy and services; to contribute, as a senior manager, to the management of change and organisational development within the Agency. LG Alert Reference: 172/08</p> <p>PERFORMANCE INDICATORS</p> <p>Place Survey 2008 - recording postcodes Councils will be carrying out field work this autumn for the Place Survey, which supplies information for a number of National Indicators. This reminds you of the importance of having the postcode attached to each response, so you can maximise the information you get from the data; and to direct you to guidance on how to do this while keeping the data secure. LG Alert Reference: 176/08</p> <p>SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES</p> <p>The Selector: News about the Sustainable Communities Act The Sustainable Communities Act 2007 will be implemented from October 2008 onwards. It will provide an unprecedented opportunity for councils to develop ideas which would contribute to sustainability locally, and which require national action in order to put them into effect. In October, the Secretary of State will invite local authorities to make proposals under the Act. Councils will in turn be discussing ideas and proposals that come forward from organisations and individuals within their local communities. The LGA will be acting as the Selector body under the Act, assessing and short-listing proposals in discussion with the Secretary of State. The LGA has launched a newsletter to provide councils with information on the implementation of the Sustainable Communities Act, including the LGA's role as Selector. There is an LGA event on the launch of the Sustainable Communities Act on 14 October 2008, where the Secretary of State, Hazel Blears, will be speaking. LG Alert Reference: 175/08</p>	