

City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

NO 32

DATE: FRIDAY 8 AUGUST 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

THERE ARE NO PART ONE ITEMS THIS WEEK

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 NICK EATON (Committee Support Manager) and must be received by not later than 5 pm on Friday 15 August 2008.**
An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

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

PORTFOLIO: CULTURE & LEISURE

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	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
1		<p>Mountbatten Centre Cycle Track</p> <p>Proposal: to fund the additional works, as outlined below, at a cost of £57,368 from savings of £14,599.60 from the contract and the balance of £42,768.40 from the Section 106 fund for improving parks and open spaces.</p> <p>Resurfacing of the existing athletics track and cycle track is included within the Mountbatten Centre redevelopment. The extent of the resurfacing of the cycle track was limited to the provision of a new 25mm thick macadam wearing course. However, following detailed discussions with the National Governing Body for cycling, the British Cycle Federation (BCF), it has been decided to include a base/regulating course and new inside kerbing in order to upgrade the track to the standard acceptable to the BCF.</p>	<p>Seamus Meyer Parks and Recreation Manager Tel: 9283 4163</p>

PORTFOLIO: EDUCATION, CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

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	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
2	Charles Dickens	<p>Arundel Court Junior and Charles Dickens Junior Schools - Provision of ramps, remedial works to playground surface and adaptations to toilet</p> <p>Proposal: to approve the allocation of £50,000 from the Access Initiative 2008/09 uncommitted funding of £194,000.</p> <p>This funding will allow for the provision of ramps and remedial levelling works to the playground surface at Arundel Court Junior School. It will also allow for the provision of ramps at Charles Dickens Junior School and for adaptations to the toilet. Both works are required in order to enable children with disabilities to attend the schools in September 2008.</p>	<p>Christine Matchett School Services Officer Tel: 9268 8663</p>

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3		<p>Portsmouth College Governing Body - Representation from Children, Families and Learning</p> <p>Proposal: that Mike Fowler, Head of Building Schools for the Future, be nominated to serve on the Governing Body of the Portsmouth College for the period to September 2012.</p> <p>Paddy Bradley, Head of Learning and Achievement, has been a member of the Portsmouth College Governing Body for some years, and the College has valued this link with the city's education service. In view of Mr Bradley's departure from the City Council, the College, with the consent of Lynda Fisher, Strategic Director, would like to invite Mike Fowler, Head of Building Schools for the Future, to join the Governing Body to continue this link and to maintain the excellent relationships which the College and the education service currently enjoy. Mike Fowler will serve for a full four year period, subject to his remaining employed by the City Council.</p>	<p>Lin Chaplen Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4053</p>

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4	Copnor	<p>Essential High Level Stonework Repairs – Copnor Junior School</p> <p>Proposal: To approve the allocation of £55,000 from the uncommitted £726,000 Asset Management Funding 2008/09 for the essential repairs to high level stonework at Copnor Junior School.</p> <p>Recently a piece of high level masonry fell from the building into the school playground. Following an immediate inspection, the areas of most concern were made safe using a combination of scaffold and Herras fencing. Whilst this affords protection it does mean that the school is unable to access parts of the playground. A quote has been received from a firm of specialist stonemasons recommending urgent repairs totalling £47,000. The work required will take up to 10 weeks however we will concentrate on the areas that are currently inaccessible thereby permitting full use of the playground.</p> <p>Approval is sought to the allocation of £55,000 as Officers believe other remedial work may be required.</p>	<p>Ken Rankin School Services Manager Tel: 9284 1223</p>

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5	Paulsgrove	<p>Longdean Lodge, Paulsgrove</p> <p>Proposal: that to enable the licensing/leasing of the Lodge to a Day Care service provider for nil consideration, the following be agreed:</p> <p>(1) That the Head of Asset Management Service be authorised to settle terms for the use of the Longdean Lodge for nil consideration until such time as it is required for redevelopment in connection with the Proposed Project to Provide Extra Care Services and Affordable Housing for Older People;</p> <p>(2) That the City Solicitor be authorised to complete a licence/lease on this basis in connection with the provision of the Day Care Service contract.</p> <p>Background</p> <p>The reconfiguration of day service for older people was agreed by the Health and Social Care Executive in July 2007. Clause 5.2 of the report refers to Longdean in that individuals who could not travel to the new Royal Albert Centre would be found alternative day care. Having looked at the options and taken into consideration the wishes of existing service users, Social Services have made the decision to go out to open tender for the provision of a new day care service. As there is a lack of suitably equipped buildings in the vicinity Social Service wish to offer a lease of the existing day care centre premises to the new provider on the basis of a nominal rent.</p> <p>The contract will be for a 1 year pilot which will help to ascertain the need and model of day care services for older people in the north of the City, with some flexibility to extend for a further year if required. It is anticipated that a number of third sector providers and our own (PCC) social care provider arm will express an interest in this contract. If it is awarded in-house then a lease will not be required.</p> <p>Working within the current timeframe, it is anticipated to award the new contract some time in October.</p>	<p>Jeff Hutchins Property Services Tel: 9283 4288</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 15 August 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
6	08/01038/FUL Charles Dickens	32-54 Arundel Street Portsmouth Construction of two additional storeys (at fourth and fifth floor levels) to form eighteen flats and conversion of third floor to form seven flats (25 flats in total); construction of two extensions to rear elevation and new cladding to all elevations	<p>2 letters of representation have been received objecting on the following grounds: (a) noise and disturbance during construction; (b) lack of parking; (c) possibly blocks fire exits at ground floor; (d) lack of storage for materials; (e) possible damage during construction; and (f) impact on deliveries.</p> <p>19 car parking spaces are proposed as part of the development which would serve the existing office uses. Whilst no parking is proposed for the flats, the site is located in a highly sustainable city centre location. Cycle parking is proposed and the site is close to alternative means of transport. Therefore the level of car parking provision is considered to be acceptable. The other issues raised in the representations primarily relate to problems resulting from the construction of the development. Whilst it is accepted that there will inevitably be disturbance during the course of the development, this in itself is not considered to be sufficient to justify the refusal of the application. Issues of storage for materials, blocking of fire exits and possible damage would be matters for the developer to deal with during the construction.</p>	<p>Mark Bridge</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4298</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>
7	08/01092/FUL St Jude	33 Osborne Road Southsea Installation of roller shutter to shop front	<p>One email of objection has been received on behalf of The Portsmouth Society on the grounds that the installation of the roller shutter to the shopfront would detract from the setting of the streetscene.</p> <p>Permission is sought for the installation of a roller shutter to the shop front.</p> <p>Design Advice Note 6 states that if external shutters are permitted, they should be coloured and perforated. The roller shutter would be perforated and dark green galvanised steel and satisfactorily balance visual impact with security requirements without presenting an unacceptable appearance. It is therefore considered that the roller shutter is capable of support.</p>	<p>Nicola Frampton</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4305</p> <p>Permission</p>

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8	08/00889/FUL Hilsea	<p>Former A Hasker & Sons Ltd Norway Road Hilsea</p> <p>Construction of single-storey building to form foodstore (Class A1) up to 1673sqm with associated parking (after demolition of existing)</p>	<p>One letter of objection received from consultants acting on behalf of Somerfield Stores setting out national and local policy for retail development, their view that the application fails to properly address the issue of retail impact and that it should be refused for the following reasons: there is no quantitative need for the proposal; the applicants have not applied the sequential approach correctly; and the proposal will have a detrimental impact on the vitality and viability of existing centres (but focused particularly on North End).</p> <p>Two petitions of support have been received with 464 and 304 signatures. In addition, 118 individual letters of support including one from the ward Councillor Alistair Thompson have also been received making the following comments: a) convenience of a local discount food store within easy access of a residential area; b) reduce need to travel by car or public transport; c) wider choice and competition locally, with typically cheaper prices than other supermarket operators and no significant effect on smaller businesses; d) employment opportunities; e) the design is suitable for this site and would improve its derelict appearance; and f) reasonable shopping hours rather than late night activity, so close to a quiet residential area.</p> <p>The submitted retail impact is considered to adequately demonstrate that there is a need for the proposed shopping development. A sequential test looked at Cosham and North End district centres and nearby local centres where the applicant has been unable to find any suitable or available sites in or on the edge of the centres. The applicant advocates a 10 minute travel time is appropriate when defining the application catchment and find due to the small amount of trade diversion from the nearby centres, mainly due to the fact that the proposed foodstore is a "deep discounter" and deliberately restricts the number of product lines at approximately 1,000 items (recognising that other convenience retailers with markedly wider product ranges would have a more significant impact on nearby centres) the proposal would not have any adverse impact on other centres. The applicant has consequently offered to restrict the operations from the site to 'Lidl' or another 'deep or hard discounter' (as defined by Verdict in the Verdict Report on Grocery Retailers 2005), a maximum of 2,000 product items at any one time and that the net sales area used for the display of non-food (comparison) goods (excluding household cleaning and cosmetic products) shall not exceed 20% of the total net sales area. On this basis, the retail impact findings are accepted.</p>	<p>Alan Banting</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4324</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

Item No	Application No Ward	Location Description of Development	Planning Officer's Comments	Application Type Case Officer Proposed Decision
9	08/01020/FUL St Thomas	45 Broad Street Portsmouth Change of use from dwellinghouse (Class C3) to bed and breakfast (Class C1)	<p>Two letters have been received objecting to:- (a) proposal would change the character of the area; (b) set a precedent for similar development; (c) result in increased demand for on street car parking; and (d) there are two other B&B establishments in Broad Street.</p> <p>Whilst the building is in an out-of centre location I consider that the modest scale of the development and the locational benefits of the B&B close to other tourist development mitigate the need for a sequential approach outlined within policy DC36. Having regard to the nature of adjoining and surrounding development, including other small guesthouses/hotels, the use of the premises as an 3-bedroom B&B is considered appropriate and would preserve the special architectural or historic interest of the Listed Building and the character and appearance of 'Old Portsmouth' Conservation Area.</p>	Jonathan McDermott Tel: 023 9284 1470 Permission

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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	WARD		OFFICER CONTACT
10		<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"> • Council's Chief Executive on board arson reduction tour • Free child seat safety checks being held this week • Freedom of the City for Portsmouth Football Club FA Cup winners • Sports funding up for grabs • Careless dog-owners and litterbugs fined 	<p>Corporate Communications Team Tel: 9283 4142</p>
11		<p>Licensing Sub Committee - Tuesday 12 August 2008 at 9.30am in the Executive Meeting Room of the Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The following application will be heard;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the grant of a premises licence - Southsea Common and Castle Field, Clarence Esplanade, Portsmouth 	<p>Lucy Wingham/ Karen Martin Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>
12		<p>Licensing Sub Committee - 6 August 2008</p> <p>The following is a summary of the decision taken at the meeting;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the grant of a premises licence - The Lodge Arts Centre, Victoria Park, Anglesea Road, Portsmouth, PO1 3HJ The hearing was adjourned at the request of the applicant, until September, unless an agreement can be reached by all parties in the meantime. 	<p>Lucy Wingham/ Karen Martin Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>

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13		<p>Licensing Sub Committee - Wednesday 13 August 2008 at 9.30am in the Executive Meeting Room of the Guildhall, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The following applications will be heard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the variation of a premises licence - The Osborne Public House, 68 Osborne Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO5 3LU 	<p>Lucy Wingham/ Karen Martin Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>
14		<p>Development Control Committee - Wednesday 13 August 2008 at 2.00pm in Conference Room A of the Civic Offices, Portsmouth.</p> <p>The following planning applications will be considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 08/00829/FUL - St Judes Church, Kent Road, Southsea - construction of single storey addition to form new entrance and meeting room; steps and ramp to new entrance and associated external alterations; new turning head, gate and wall to north of church. • 08/00972/FUL - 8 Cinderford Close, Portsmouth - construction of two-storey detached dwelling after demolition of existing attached single garage. • 08/01077/FUL - The Cumberland Centre, Reginald Road, Milton - retention of building comprising 14 flats with associated parking, cycle and refuse storage. 	<p>Lucy Wingham/ Karen Martin Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662</p>
15		<p>Vacancy on the Burges Bequest Trust</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care, appointed Councillors David Horne, Malcolm Hey and Lord Mayor Councillor Jensen as the three appointees at the Cabinet meeting in June 2008. The appointment of the Lord Mayor was not in an ex-officio capacity and as the Lord Mayor does not usually undertake extra council duties he has suggested that a replacement trustee be sought for the rest of this municipal year.</p> <p>The trustees are due to meet again once more this municipal year, in December, to make grant allocations for medical research projects that benefit children. It is therefore suggested that a member of the Administration is appointed, for there to be cross-party representation, and any member interested should seek the backing of their group and contact Joanne Wildsmith in Democratic Services.</p>	<p>Joanne Wildsmith Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4057</p>

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16		<p>Briefing Note on the Government's Proposed Changes to the South East Plan</p> <p>The Government has now published its proposed changes to the South East Plan for public consultation. The South East England Regional Assembly (SEERA) produced the draft plan, an Examination in Public (EiP) was held during the winter of 2006/7 and the panel of inspectors who conducted the EiP published a report, with recommended changes to the plan, in July 2007. Unlike the Local Development Framework system, the inspectors' recommendations are not binding upon the Government who have full responsibility for the final content and adoption of the plan.</p> <p>The government's proposed changes to the plan which are most relevant to Portsmouth and South Hampshire are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The housing provision figures for Portsmouth and South Hampshire remain unaltered. 2. Deletion of the Plan, Monitor and Manage policy and other references to land releases being conditional on the rate of economic growth and infrastructure provision. Addition of a statement in the supporting text that the pace of housing development in the Strategic Development Areas should be coordinated with the rate of infrastructure provision. 3. Deletion of the sub-regional gaps policy. 4. Deletion of policy SH7 on the allocation of employment sites as it has been covered in a revised region-wide policy. 5. Replacement of the office policy SH8 by the new policy submitted by PUSH at the EiP, subject to some detailed amendments. 6. Deletion of skills policy SH9 as it has been covered in a region-wide policy. 7. Removal of the sub-division of the overall house building totals in to 5 year phases and the deletion of the footnote stating uncertainty over the realisation of urban potential, especially within Southampton and Portsmouth in the latter phases of the plan. 8. Deletion from environmental sustainability policy SH14 of the references to Ecohomes/BREEAM standards, the renewable energy requirements for housing and commercial developments and the 100 megawatt renewable energy target. 9. Other minor editing of the supporting text to slim down the document and remove repetition of material in the region-wide parts of the plan. <p>When officers have fully analysed the proposed changes, a report will be brought to the Cabinet with a suggested response to the consultation. It is likely that the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH) will also respond to the consultation.</p>	<p>Mike Allgrove Planning and Transport Policy Manager Tel: 9283 4302</p>

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17		<p>Launch of consultation on the future of freight in Hampshire</p> <p>Hampshire County Council, Southampton City Council and Portsmouth City Council are consulting on two draft freight strategies giving people and organisations an opportunity to have their say on issues relating to freight in Hampshire. One strategy covers the PUSH/TfSH area, the other the rest of Hampshire.</p> <p>The strategies seek to help the competitiveness of the freight, logistics and distribution sector and to find ways to address challenges such as growth of the ports of Southampton and Portsmouth, whilst mitigating the impacts of freight activities on the environment and the community. They are seeking to identify the most important issues facing road, rail and maritime freight, suggesting a range of potential options and suggesting means of addressing these issues.</p> <p>The full TfSH area draft Freight Strategy is available at http://www3.hants.gov.uk/tfsh/tfsh-freight-strategy-consultation.htm and the wider Hampshire draft strategy at http://www.hants.gov.uk/consultation.</p> <p>A short summary of the key points of each full strategy document is available and copies of these have been placed in the Members Rooms.</p> <p>The deadline for consultation responses is Tuesday 21st October 2008 with the intention of formally adopting the strategies in early 2009.</p> <p>For any questions on these consultations, please contact Geoff Hobbs, on 01962 857440 or by email at geoff.hobbs@hants.gov.uk.</p>	<p>Paul Denyer Planning Services Tel: 9283 4615</p>

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18		<p>The Portsmouth Plan – Draft Core Strategy - Minor Amendments</p> <p>At the meeting of the City Council on 31st July 2008, a number of minor changes to the draft Core Strategy were brought to members' attention by Councillor Mike Hancock CBE MP. The following changes will be made to the document prior to its publication for consultation:</p> <p>1. Paragraph 4.44 – Flooding To amend the paragraph to read: The Strategy in relation to tidal flood risk is to concentrate the majority of development in flood zone 1⁵ (approximately x% of additional development will be in zone 1), but to continue development in zones 2 & 3, with appropriate flood risk reduction measures and improve flood defences around the city.</p> <p>2. Paragraph 4.49 – Housing supply table To amend the table to read:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="387 774 1776 885"> <tr> <td>Deliverable and developable sites (5+ dwellings)</td> <td>2008-2026</td> <td>2244 2744</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Unidentified small sites (1-4 dwellings)</td> <td>2010-2026</td> <td>2400 1600</td> </tr> </table> <p>3. To delete paragraph 5.3.6</p>	Deliverable and developable sites (5+ dwellings)	2008-2026	2244 2744	Unidentified small sites (1-4 dwellings)	2010-2026	2400 1600	<p>Gemma Jephcott Planning Services Tel: 9283 4699</p>
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19	St Jude	<p>108-112 Elm Grove Southsea PO5 1LP - Planning Appeal</p> <p>REF08/00454/OUT Lodged: 30 May 2008</p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for Construction of building to form 9 flats and 3 shops (principle of access, layout and scale to be considered)</p> <p>This appeal is to be dealt with by the Written Representation procedure.</p>	<p>Mark Bridge Planning Service Tel: 9283 4298</p>						

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20	St Thomas	<p>Site 15 Broad Street Old Portsmouth PO1 2JD - Planning Appeal Decision</p> <p>REF: 07/01728/LBC Decision: DISMISSED Decision Date: 30 JULY 2008</p> <p>An appeal was lodged against the refusal of Listed Building Consent for the installation of French doors and balustrading at 3rd floor level to rear elevation. This appeal was dealt with by Written Representations procedure and the Inspector decided to dismiss the appeal.</p>	<p>Ben Cracknell Planning Service Tel: 9284 1127</p>
21		<p>Notice of Motion regarding the Guildhall Bells</p> <p>The following Notice of Motion has been received from Councillor Lee Mason and Alistair Thompson:-</p> <p>"In honour of the historic and popular links between the Guildhall's "Pompey Chimes" and Portsmouth Football Club, one of the Guildhall's Bells be named "Harry Redknapp" as part of the bell tower's renovation and repair in honour of Harry Redknapp, thus ensuring he can ring out in future years alongside the "Victoria" bell as part of the Pompey Chimes, and Harry Redknapp and the team be invited to ring an inaugural peel of bells upon their completion.</p> <p>Any additional funding required for such to be drawn down from contingency."</p> <p>This is due to be discussed at the next Council meeting on 7 October.</p>	<p>Nick Eaton Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4052</p>
22		<p>Local Government Association – LGA Alerts – Information sent to Local Authorities for week commencing Monday 4 August 2008 - Checklist 31/08</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>Local Government Association (LGA) Email: info@lga.gov.uk Tel: 020 7664 3131 www.lga.gov.uk</p>

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		<p>COMMUNITY / VOLUNTARY SECTOR</p> <p>Votes and Voices: the complementary nature of representative and participative democracy The LGA and the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) have published a report bringing together a wide range of views and perspectives on local democracy from across local government, the voluntary sector and academia. The LGA believe that local authorities and voluntary and community organisations should be at the forefront of discussions about how local democracy works in practice and how democratic activity, in all its forms, might be enhanced and improved in the future. LG Alert Reference: 144/08</p> <p>ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Renewable Energy Strategy The government has launched a consultation on its renewable energy strategy to meet the EU commitment that 15% of our energy will be generated from renewable sources by 2020, to help secure energy supplies and to tackle climate change. It has issued an invitation to submit formal responses by 26 September. LG Alert Reference: 140/08</p> <p>Consultation on possible new recycling systems The Local Government Association is working with retailers and the packaging industry to assess how to promote more consistent systems across the country for collecting household packaging waste for recycling. This consultation seeks to establish whether it is possible to find 5 or 6 systems which could become standard and to establish what barriers there may be for councils in moving towards using these systems. LG Alert Reference: 141/08</p>	

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		<p>IMPROVEMENT</p> <p>Comprehensive Area Assessment: joint inspectorate proposals for consultation The Audit Commission has published, along with the other inspectorates for local services, a joint consultation paper setting out further proposals for the Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA), as originally outlined in the White Paper "Strong and Prosperous Communities". A prototype reporting tool, which helps illustrate how CAA could work, has also been made available on the Audit Commission's website. The LGA has organised a CAA Conference on 10 September 2008 to explore the proposals and the implications for councils and their partners. LG Alert Reference: 139/08</p> <p>LGA EVENTS</p> <p>The Future Risk of Flooding - 18 November 2008, London The LGA is staging a one day conference, in London, at which Sir Michael Pitt will address the conference and set out the findings of the Pitt Review. The conference will also hear from central government on their response to the findings of the Review and also from local authorities and other key stakeholders. LG Alert Reference: 142/08</p> <p>WORK ISSUES</p> <p>Slivers of Time Working There is a new innovative scheme, backed by Communities and Local Government. It offers a solution to both worklessness and the need for greater efficiencies in Councils. You may want to assess whether it aligns with your current priorities for delivery/engagement. "Slivers-of-Time Working" relies on a council using part of its temporary labour requirement to pump-prime a local online marketplace. The marketplace allows anyone to list hours they want to work. Once vetted, local people are able to work on their own terms, employers in the area gain a pool of motivated, flexible, top-up, workers for peak periods. LG Alert Reference: 143/08</p>	

LICENSING ACT 2003 – APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY

The Licensing Authority has received the following applications in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003. The table below outlines the premises location, a brief description of the application and the closing date by which responsible authorities or interested parties may make representations. An interested party is defined as either a *person* living in the vicinity of the premises, a *body* representing persons who live in that vicinity, a *person* involved in a business in that vicinity or a *body* representing persons involved in such businesses.

Members should be aware that under the legislation ward councillors do not have an automatic right to make representations on behalf of their constituents, but have the right to make representations when specifically requested to do so by constituents who live in the vicinity of the premises concerned. To prevent challenges by unsuccessful applicants you may wish to request any objector to include in any letter of objection to you or to the Licensing Section that they formally authorise you to make representations on their behalf.

If you have any queries relating to any of the applications outlined below, please contact the Licensing Section, Telephone number: 023 9283 4607 or email: Licensing@portsmouthcc.gov.uk.

Item No	Ward	Licence No:	Premises Name and Address	Brief description of application:	Closing date for representations:
23	St Jude	586	17 Albert Road Southsea	<p>Application to vary a Premises Licence</p> <p>Type of Premises: Restaurant</p> <p>Proposed Licensable Activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regulated Entertainment 2. Late Night Refreshment 3. Sale of Alcohol <p>Proposed standard days and timings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monday to Saturday from 18:00 until 02:00 Sunday from 18:00 until 23:59 2. Monday to Saturday from 23:00 until 02:00 Sunday from 23:00 until 23:59 3. Monday to Saturday from 18:00 until 02:00 Sunday from 18:00 until 23:59 	29 August 2008

Item No	Ward	Licence No:	Premises Name and Address	Brief description of application:	Closing date for representations:
24	St Jude	536	Castle Field	<p>Application for a Premises Licence</p> <p>Type of Premises: Open Air</p> <p>Proposed Licensable Activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regulated Entertainment 2. Late Night Refreshment 3. Sale of Alcohol <p>Proposed standard days and timings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monday to Sunday from 12:00 until 23:00 2. Monday to Sunday from 23:00 until 05:00 3. Monday to Sunday from 12:00 until 22:45 	29 August 2008