City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

<u>NO 30</u>

DATE: FRIDAY 25 JULY 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. <u>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.</u>

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 CONTA
	Cabinet Member for Housing's Decision Meeting – 18 July	Joanne Wildsmith
	At his meeting Councillor Wylie took the following decisions:-	Democratic & Community
	Housing Investment Programme/Capital Budgets	Engagement Tel: 9283 4057
	RECOMMENDED to Council that	
	(1) that the revised 2008/09 programme set out in Appendix 4 and the associated capital financing set out in Appendix 3 be approved in the sum of £27.6 million;	
	(2) that the programmes of £26.2 million, £21.7 million, £23.4 million, £24.1 million, £25.9 million and £25.9 million for the six financial years 2009/10 to 2014/15 be approved for use in providing information to the Government as required;	
	 that the Prudential Indicators set out in Appendix 6 and the Budget Principles shown at Appendix 2 be approved; 	
	(4) that for the purposes of the Local Authorities (Capital Finance) (Amendment) Regulations 2003 the City Council resolve to spend £20 million on affordable housing in both 2008/09 and 2009/10. Furthermore that the capital receipts arising in each year from the disposal of surplus HRA assets be used 100% for the provision of affordable housing;	
	 (5) that the Head of Community Housing be given delegated authority in consultation with the Strategic Director responsible for financial administration (S.151 Local Government Act 1972) to approve arrangements for the joint City Council and Housing Corporation Programme for 2008/09 to 2010/11; 	
	(6) that authority be delegated to the Strategic Director responsible for financial administration (S.151 Local Government Act 1972) to alter the mix of capital funding sources used to finance the HIP to maximise the resources available to the Council.	
	Supporting People Programme Update	
	The Cabinet Member for Housing	
	 noted the progress made in implementing a range of improvements to the Supporting People Programme; 	
	(2) noted the ongoing issues currently being resolved.	

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Contd/	Community Housing Sustainable Communities Programme Update	
	 The work undertaken so far on the development and implementation of the Housing Sustainable Communities Programme was noted and supported; 	
	(2) A further report will be brought forward on resource implications and progress at a future date;	
	(3) A report will be brought forward on the achievements of the John Pounds development later in the year.	
	Empty Homes Campaign	
	Where the Cabinet Member for Housing considers that the only viable means of ensuring an empty home is brought back into use the Cabinet Member shall make the recommendation to the Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration & Economic Development to enable a compulsory purchase of the property to be authorised.	
	Application for Home Repair Assistance	
	(1) The eligibility criteria in the policy will remain unchanged;	
	(2) That an exception be made in this case to relax the Council Tax Band restriction, to offer a home repair assistance grant conditional upon:	
	(a) recovery of the payment if the appeal to Warmfront/EAGA is successful;	
	(b) the applicant's case being brought to the attention of the 2 local MPs to make representation to Warmfront and EAGA, requesting them to review their inflexibility in this case and in shaping future policy	
	with authority being delegated to the Head of Community Housing to take this action.	
	NB: Call-in date – Monday 28 July 2008	

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2	Cab 2008	inet Member for Education, Children & Young People – Decision Meeting – 21 July 3	Teresa Deasy Democratic & Community
	The	Cabinet has made the following decisions:-	Engagement Tel: 9283 4056
	Port	smouth Play Pathfinder	
	DEC	ISIONS:	
	(1)	The content of the report was noted.	
	(2)	Regular updates will be brought to the Cabinet Member's briefing meeting.	
	(3)	A detailed report will be taken to cabinet in September.	
	Sch	ools' Balances 31 st March 2008	
	DEC	SISIONS:	
	(1)	The proposed use of balances outlined in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report were noted.	
	(2)	The local authority will continue to monitor the level of school balances and to challenge all schools with high balances to ensure that resources are being targeted at key issues within the school	
	The	Green Report: Corporate Parenting Report Card for Looked After Children	
	DEC	SISIONS:	
	(1)	The report was noted.	
	(2)	The report will be sent to full Council for approval.	
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DECISION	OFFICER CONTACT
Implementation of Integrated Youth Support Services	
DECISIONS:	
(1) The process, scope and time line of the review was approved.	
(2) The Cabinet Member noted that this paper was approved by the Employment Committee on 8 th July 2008.	
Developing a Participation Strategy for Children and Young People	
DECISION:	
Approval was given to pursue further discussions with the National Youth Agency and Investing in Children to develop the proposed partnership into a draft contractual agreement.	
Portsmouth Play Strategy	
DECISION:	
The contents of the "Committed to Play, the Portsmouth Play Strategy" were noted and the strategy will be adopted by the Council.	
NB: Call-in date – Monday 28 July 2008	
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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** (2023 9283 4826 or 023 9283 4339 answerphone) and must be received by not later than **5 pm** on **Friday 1 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.

ltem No	Application No Ward	Location Description of Development	Planning Officer's Comments	Application Type Case Officer Proposed Decision
3	08/00965/FUL Drayton & Farlington	The Carlton Club 16-18 Portsdown Avenue Portsmouth Construction of single storey rear extension and garden shelter	One letter of objection has been received from a nearby resident on the grounds of; (a) general disturbance, (b) loss of view, and (c) loss of light. The applicant seeks permission for the construction of a single storey rear extension and smoking shelter. The proposed rear extension would project a further 4.3m from the existing back wall, along the rear boundary with No 43 Solent Road. There are no proposed windows along the flank wall preventing perceived overlooking and loss of privacy. The proposed garden shelter replaces an existing wooden structure and would continue to be used as a smoking shelter for the members of the social club. The shelter is of a conservatory style and would have UPVC frames supporting a flat roof. The shelter would be screened by an existing concrete wall and trees on the south and east elevation. The garden shelter is not considered to affect the amenities of the adjoining property to the north due to the spatial separation. With the imposition of safeguarding conditions I am able to conclude that the scheme is capable of support.	Nicola Frampton Tel: 023 9283 4305 Conditional Permission

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4	08/00979/FUL St Thomas	32 St Edwards Road Southsea Construction of garage to rear after	One letter has been received from a neighbour on Garden Lane which raises concerns that the building works for the garage may affect access to their driveway.	Jade Ellis Tel: 023 9284 1105
		removal of existing	It is proposed to construct a detached garage, with a pitched roof to the rear of the plot, with vehicular access onto a private road, known as Garden Lane. The garage would be designed with a pitched roof, and would be similar in terms of its scale and appearance to that of other existing garages lying to the rear of the houses on St Edwards Road. The proposed garage would prove to be visually acceptable and the proposal would enhance the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. The proposal would not have a significant impact on residential amenity in terms of loss of light, outlook or privacy. With regard to the concerns raised in respect of access, whilst the building works should not adversely affect access that issue, however, is not material to the determination of the application.	Conditional Permission
5	08/00986/ADV St Jude	67 Osborne Road Southsea Display of internally illuminated, double sided, projecting sign.	An objection has been received from Southsea Town Council on the grounds that it is considered to be contrary to policy DC24 of the Local Plan and that an internally illuminated sign would be unsuitable for that location, where externally illuminated signs are traditional. The proposed double-sided projecting sign would be 0.8m in length and 0.55m in width, mounted on a bracket projecting 0.2m from the wall of the shopfront. The information submitted with the proposal suggests that the levels of luminance would be no more than 250 cd/m, and that the sign would have an overall projection of 1m. Whilst concerns have been raised about the form of illumination, it is considered that an internally illuminated sign would not be inappropriate in the context of the array of signs on Osborne Road, which vary in size, number, design and form of illumination. Furthermore, the applicant has since reduced the overall projection of the sign and it is considered that the sign would preserve the character and appearance of the Owens Southsea Conservation Area (No2). It is therefore considered that the sign would not adversely affect the amenity interests of the surrounding area and would not be of detriment to highway safety and would accord with policy DC24 of the Local Plan.	Jade Ellis Tel: 023 9284 1105 Consent

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6	08/01037/FUL St Jude	71 Marmion Road Southsea Conversion of existing building to form office, flat and maisonette; external alterations to include construction of rear dormer window and first floor rear extension	A letter has been received from The Portsmouth Society objecting to the design of the rear dormer window. The conversion of this property to two flats, with office in the semi- basement, is considered acceptable and in accordance with policies DC31 and DC43 of the Local Plan. The design of the proposed external alterations, including the rear dormer window, is considered appropriate and would preserve the character and appearance of 'Owen's Southsea' Conservation Area (No2).	Jonathan McDermott Tel: 023 9284 1470 Conditional Permission
7	08/01055/FUL Cosham	48A-E High Street Cosham Construction of additional two floors to form 8 flats, conversion of part first floor to form 1 office (Class B1(a)) and 1 flat (9 Flats in total); external alterations including rear extensions and entrance canopies and 2.1m high boundary railings (Re- submission of 08/00188/FUL)	One letter received objecting on the following grounds: a) lack of parking; b) application inaccurate as Flat 48A does have access to rear yard and a parking space; c) lack of manoeuvrability for delivery vehicles; and d) building already suffers from subsidence additional storeys would worsen situation. Whilst the representation made against this application relates in part to the level of parking provision, in view of the highly accessible location of the development an objection on those grounds could not be sustained. Access would be maintained across the site to the rear of the building and the existing manoeuvrability within the site would not be significantly altered by the proposal. The issue relating to the structural defects in the building and whether the building can safely support the proposed extensions are a matter for the applicant to consider.	Mark Bridge Tel: 023 9283 4298 Conditional Permission

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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	WARD		OFFICER CONTACT
8		Media Releases 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.	Corporate Communications Team Tel: 9283 4142
		 Freedom of the City for Harry Redknapp and the Portsmouth 2008 FA Cup winning squad College Park a 'good and improving school' according to Ofsted A 'good school' with a 'stimulating environment' the Ofsted verdict for Northern Parade Wanted – great ideas to develop top class facilities for young people Working in partnership to tackle anti-social behaviour in Paulsgrove Mountbatten Centre closed New parking guidelines to beat congestion Visiting walkers put their best feet forward in Portsmouth Report recognises Portsmouth's economic success Portsmouth council leader condemns plan to 'force' travellers site on city Join in the great Portsmouth 'Team Read' New Nationality checking service launched in Portsmouth In search of artwork for the Portsmouth Open 2008 	
9		 Cabinet Member for Environment & Community Safety's Decision Meeting – Thursday 21 July at 4 pm (or at conclusion of Special & Adjourned Council meetings if these end later than 4 pm) in Meeting Room 1, Guildhall (please note change in venue) Councillor Jason Fazackarley will be considering the following items: Out-turn of the 2007/08 Revenue Cash Limits & Capital Programme (for previous Community Safety Portfolio) Monitoring of 2008/09 Cash Limits & Capital Programme for Period Ended 31 May 2008 for this portfolio Dog Fouling Monthly Update - June 2008 - report on dog fouling related operational activity up to 30 June 	Joanne Wildsmith Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4057

WAR	nation and News Items (cont'd) D	OFFICER CONTACT
0	Employment Committee – 28 July – 5.30 pm (or Later), Executive Meeting Room, Guildhall An extra meeting of the Employment Committee will take place on Monday 28 July to consider recommendations from the Staff Joint Committee, also meeting that day, about the Local Pay Review. The Employment Committee will take place at 5.30pm, or on conclusion of the Staff Joint Committee, if later. The only item on the agenda will be the Local Pay Review, and it is likely to be taken in exempt session.	Lin Chaplen Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4053
1	 The Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel – <u>Thursday 31 July at 10 am</u> The Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel will meet on Thursday 31 July at the revised time of 10am to consider the following items: Update from Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee - 23/07/08. Joint Commissioning Strategies. Local Involvement Networks (LINk) Update. Car Parking at Portsmouth Hospitals. Commissioning of Wheelchair Services. Proposals Received from the NHS and Social Care Services to Vary or Develop Local Services. Invitation from Portsmouth Hospitals Trust to Members. 	Katie Benton Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9268 8360
2	Special Meeting of the City Council – Thursday 31 July at 2 pm Members are asked to note that a special meeting of the City Council will be held next Thursday, 31 July at 2pm in the Council Chamber to consider conferring the Freedom of the City on Harry Rednapp and the 2008 F.A. Cup winning squad.	Nick Eaton Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4052
3	Adjourned Meeting of the City Council - Thursday 31 July at Conclusion of Special Meeting at 2pm that Day The City Council meeting held on 22 July has been adjourned until Thursday 31 July, commencing at the conclusion of the special meeting referred to above. The item of business remaining to be dealt with is agenda item 9(iv) - Core Strategy - Preferred Options. The report on this item has already been distributed with the agenda for the Council meeting (set out on pages 41 - 44 of the agenda book). It is also available to see at http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/yourcouncil/13650.html. The report will not be recirculated, and members are asked to bring their papers with them to the adjourned meeting.	Nick Eaton Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4052

Part	3 - Informatio	o <u>n and News Items</u> (cont'd)	FRIDAY 25 JULY 2008
	WARD		OFFICER CONTACT
14		Development Control Committee – Wednesday 23 July	Karen Martin/ Lucy Wingham
		The Committee considered the following main agenda items:	Democratic & Community
		• Appeal Decision - Site: Alliance House & St Mary's Arms sites St Mary's Road Fratton. Proposal: Redevelopment to form 49 one & two bedroom flats and maisonettes with associated external works following demolition of existing buildings. Decision: Appeals dismissed. Members noted the Inspectors' Decision.	Engagement Tel: 9283 4662
		 Footpath Closure under Section 118 Highways Act 1980 – Steerforth Close and Emanuel Street, Buckland 	
		Members decided 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.	
		 Footpath Closure under Section 118 Highways Act 1980 – Footpath between 17-27 Mayo Close and 8-18 Northbrook Close, Buckland 	
		Members decided 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.	
		The Committee made the following decisions on development applications:	
		 08/00633/FUL - The Drayton Institute, 238 Havant Road, Drayton – Construction of extensions to all elevations was Granted Conditional Permission. 	
		 08/00813/FUL - 8 Kings Road, Southsea – Construction of additional storey to form two flats was Refused. 	
		 08/00827/FUL - 20 The Ridings, Hilsea – Construction of three houses after demolition of existing bungalow (re-submission of 08/00202/FUL) was Granted Conditional Permission. 	

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	WARD		OFFICER CONTACT
	Contd/	 08/00777/FUL - 19 Drayton Lane, Portsmouth – Construction of detached dwellinghouse, with rooms in roof (following demolition of existing) (Re-submission of 07/01897/FUL) was Granted Conditional Permission. 	
		 08/00904/FUL - Cosham United Reform Church, Mulberry Lane, Cosham – Construction of seven dwelling houses with associated parking after demolition of existing buildings (Amended scheme 07/01220/FUL) was Granted Conditional Permission with an amendment to Condition 6. 	
		 08/00801/FUL - 112 Copnor Road, Portsmouth – Outline application for the construction of 7 two-storey terraced dwellinghouses (Principles access, layout and scale to be considered). (Re-submission of 08/00005/OUT) was Granted Conditional Outline Permission. 	
		 07/02308/FUL - Land at Harbour Side Caravan Site, Eastern Road, Copnor – Change of use to form open space was Deferred. 	
		 07/02310/FUL - Land Adjacent Kendall Bros Ltd, Kendalls Wharf, Eastern Road – Change of use from open space to storage and distribution yard (use class B8); construction of three detached single storey buildings and installation of perimeter fence was Granted Conditional Permission. 	
		• 08/01036/FUL - 158 Commercial Road, Portsmouth – change of use from shop (Class A1) to mixed use as restaurant and hot food take-away (Classes A3 and A5) was Refused.	
15		Local Government Association – LGA Alerts – Information sent to Local Authorities for week commencing 23 July 2008 Checklist 28/08	Local Government Association (LGA)
		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.	Email: info@lga.gov.uk Tel: 020 7664 3131 <u>www.lga.gov.uk</u>
		COMMUNITY COHESION	
		New CLG community cohesion guidance The CLG published 2 new documents on community cohesion - Face to Face and Side by Side - a Framework for Parnership in our Multi Faith Society, and Cohesion Delivery Framework overview. Both documents are available from the <u>CLG website</u> LG Alert Reference: 129/08	

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Contd/	COMMUNITY / VOLUNTARY SECTOR	OFFICER CONTACT
	The Churches Conservation Trust Details on The Churches Conservation Trust can be seen at <u>www.visitchurches.org.uk</u> . The Trust is keen to develop stronger relationships with local authorities around its sites. LG Alert Reference: 126/08	
	ENVIRONMENT	
	Adapting the UK to climate change The Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution (RCEP) is conducting a study on Adapting the UK to Climate Change and has issued an invitation to submit formal written evidence in support of that study. Submissions will be welcomed by email or post by the deadline of 10 October 2008. LG Alert Reference: 130/08	
	Display Energy Certificates Display Energy Certificates (DECs) will be required for larger public buildings by 1st October, as part of the Energy Performance of Buildings (EPBD) (Certificates and Inspections) (England and Wales) Regulations 2007. To make it easier for public authorities with multiple buildings on one site to comply with the legislation, a site-based approach for the first year is to be allowed where it is not possible to produce individual DECs. This means that only one DEC will need to be produced based on the total energy consumption of the buildings on the site. Public bodies most likely to be affected by this approach include some Local Authorities, NHS Trusts, universities and schools. The new arrangements respond to feedback from CLG lead-in process and recent DEC events, and are the result of consultation with key partners. The CLG are also consulting on a number of steps to make Energy Performance Certificates (EPCs) more accessible to help drive changes in behaviour. LG Alert Reference: 131/08	
	HOUSING	
	Access to Property Search Data This alert encourages councils to ensure relevant staff respond to the survey conducted by Land Data on the provision of access to unrefined property search data by local authorities. LG Alert Reference: 128/08	

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WARD Contd/	LGA PUBLICATIONS Planning at the heart of local government The full alert attaches a covering letter from Sir Simon Milton regarding the "planning at the heart of local government" guide which the LGA has produced in partnership with the Department of Communities and Local Government and key partners from planning and local government sectors. LG Alert Reference: 127/08 LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKFORCE Joint statement on access to skills, trade unions and advice in government contracting The LGE are consulting councils on the joint statement on access to skills, trade unions and advice in government contracting. The Government, the TUC and the CBI launched this statement on 15th July 2008, and ministers have advised the LGE and LGA that they would like this extended to local government. The consultation document will help the LGA Group decide on the best way forward. LG Alert Reference: 132/08 TRANSPORT Making Targets through Transport	OFFICER CONTACT
	Making Targets through Transport The DfT have produced a publication called "Meeting Targets through Transport" in collaboration with the LGA, Sustrans and the Campaign for Better Transport. The booklet is designed to help councillors and senior officers to understand how well planned transport services can help councils to achieve wider objectives, such as stronger and safer communities, healthier children and young people, sustainability and better local economies. LG Alert Reference: 125/08	

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.

ltem No	Ward	Licence No:	Premises Name and Address	Brief description of application:	Closing date for representations:
16	Fratton	808	Etap Hotel Fratton Way	Application for a Premises Licence	15 August 2008
				Type of Premises: Hotel	
				Proposed Licensable Activities:	
				 Regulated Entertainment Late Night Refreshment Sale of Alcohol 	
				Proposed standard days and timings:	
				 Monday to Sunday from 00:00 until 23:59 Monday to Sunday from 23:00 until 05:00 Monday to Sunday from 10:00 until 23:59 	

Item No	Ward	Licence No:	Premises Name and Address	Brief description of application:	Closing date for representations:
17	Drayton and Farlington	809	Irving and Co Brewers Limited Unit G1 Railway Triangle Industrial Estate Walton Road	 Application for a Premises Licence Type of Premises: Brewery Proposed Licensable Activities: Late Night Refreshment Sale of Alcohol Proposed standard days and timings: Monday to Saturday from 23:00 until 23:59 Thursday and Friday from 15:00 until 18:00 Monday to Friday from 12:00 until 23:59 and Saturday from 10:00 until 22:00 – pre-booked brewery tours only 	19 August 2008