City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

<u>NO 17</u>

DATE: FRIDAY 25 APRIL 2008

The Members' Information Service produced in the Democratic Services Unit by John Haskell has been prepared in three parts -

Part 1 - Decisions by the Executive and individual Executive 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 Executive Member or Regulatory Committee; and

Part 3 - Items of general information and news.

Part 1 - Decisions by the Executive

The following decisions have been taken by the Executive (or individual Executive 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 JOHN HASKELL (Democratic Services Manager) 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

NB: 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 Executive Member or Regulatory Committee. <u>Your request must be</u> <u>made to JOHN HASKELL (Democratic Services Manager) and must be received by not later than 5 pm on Friday 2 May 2008</u>. An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

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

PORTFOLIO: CULTURE & LEISURE

	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
1	Eastney/ Craneswater	 Eastney Community Centre Development Proposal: To make a £10,000 contribution from the 2007/08 Community Support Revenue budget within the Culture and Leisure portfolio in respect of the capital development at Eastney Community Centre. The scheme has been predominantly funded from external grants and allowed the bringing together of agencies and the local community to develop the existing centre, improve storage, add offices, 2 consulting rooms and activity space and allow the community to interact in a new community café. As the build progressed a number of opportunities to improve the scheme arose (such as extending the storage and improving safety both inside and out). A £10,000 Revenue Contribution to Capital Outlay (RCCO) is therefore required to fund these additional costs. The Culture and Leisure cash limit will be reduced by £10,000 in 2007/08 and a RCCO made. This scheme forms part of the approved Culture and Leisure capital programme and the financing will be adjusted accordingly to reflect this RCCO. 	Rod McLean Community Services Tel: 9268 8238
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2		Buckland Community Centre/Flying Bull Junior School Boilers	Rod McLean Community Services
		Proposal: To make a £14,000 contribution from the 2007/08 Community Support Revenue budget within the Culture and Leisure portfolio to the Capital Programme in respect of the above project at Buckland.	Tel: 9268 8238
		This scheme is to disentangle the outdated and inefficient boiler system that serves both Flying Bull Junior School and Buckland Community Centre in order to make energy consumption more efficient and sustainable.	
		A budget provision of £14,000 was made within the relevant service revenue budget for this scheme in 2007/08.	
		The 2007/08 Culture and Leisure Portfolio cash limit will therefore be reduced by £14,000 in 2007/08 and transferred to the revenue reserve for capital.	
3	Baffins	Improvements to Changing Rooms at Great Salterns	Paul Miles Senior Contracts
		Proposal: to allocate £3000.00 to Baffins Milton Football Club to contribute to improving the playing pitch changing rooms at Great Salterns.	Supervisor, Parks Tel: 9284 1102
		The Asset Management Service has given Baffins and Milton Football Club a five-year licence to use the changing rooms as a base for their football club and the club will be carrying out repairs to the building.	
		A report was submitted to the Member for Culture and Leisure by the Parks and Recreation Manager dated 7 th July 2006 whereby recommendations were to allocate contributions derived from planning section 106 agreements for open space improvements.	

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 **2 May 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
4	08/00451/FUL Nelson	Corpus Christi Primary School Gladys Avenue Portsmouth Construction of new school hall, classroom and staffroom (after demolition of existing)	 One letter of support has been received from Councillor Leo Madden, also writing on behalf of Councillor Jason Fazackarley, and 1 letter of objection has been received from a local resident. The letter of objection is on the following grounds: (a) lack of parking for construction vehicles; (b) obstruction of garage; and (c) highway safety. The letter of support relates to the need for a replacement hall at the school. The issues raised in the letter of objection relate to parking problems both through the construction phase and operation of the school. Whilst it is inevitable that there will be inconvenience during the construction phase of the development, this would be for a limited period of time and is not considered sufficient to warrant refusal of the application. The proposal does not increase the capacity of the school, but seeks to improve the facilities available for existing and future pupils. No parking is currently available on the site and any existing parking problems and any obstructions are matters that could be dealt with by other legislation. 	Mark Bridge Tel: 023 9283 4298 Conditional Permission
5	08/00464/FUL Baffins	12 Hayling Avenue Portsmouth Conversion to form 3 dwellings and construction of single storey side extension, enclose forecourt with brick wall	One letter of objection has been received relating to increased noise from creation of three separate dwellings adjacent to the party wall. The conversion of the building to form three houses is, in principle, in accordance with policy DC43 of the Local Plan. Having regard to the existing use of the building and the proposed arrangement with bedrooms at first floor level above living room/kitchens, it is considered that the proposed scheme would not significantly affect the amenity of the adjoining occupiers in terms of noise and general disturbance.	Jonathan McDermott Tel: 023 9284 1470 Conditional Permission

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6	08/00468/FUL Fratton	Fratton Railway Station Selbourne Terrace Portsmouth Construction of new footbridge with associated lifts and stairs to each platform	 One letter of objection has been received from The Portsmouth Society. Their concerns are; (a) that the position of the footbridge would be inconvenient; (b) the proposal is unnecessary; (c) loss of the existing footbridge at off peak times, and (d) no prior consultation with Portsmouth City Council. One letter of comment has been received from Portsmouth Cycle Forum; whilst raising no objection in principle it requests the following works are also carried out: (a) provision of equivalent numbers of cycle parking spaces; (b) replacement of existing cycle parking stands; (c) installation of automatic swing doors to the booking hall; and (d) cycle runners installed on stairs. Furthermore the cycle forum recommends that a meeting is arranged between Network Rail, the station operator and the City Council's Sustainable Transport Section. The proposed footbridge is located to the east of the station building and adjacent to the canopy on platforms 2 and 3. The proposed footbridge incorporates lifts to provide access for disabled from the station building at Platform 1 onto Platforms 2 and 3. Currently the station does not have disabled access onto Platforms 2 and 3. The proposed footbridge is suitably located within 25 metres of the station booking hall and main setting down/picking up point on Selbourne Terrace. The footbridge is considered to provide an important disabled persons access to Platforms 2 and 3 and would therefore comply with the requirements of policy DC4 of the Local Plan. Furthermore, its design would be appropriate to its setting. 	Jonathan McDermott Tel: 023 9284 1470 Conditional Permission

Part 3 - Information and News Items

	WARD		OFFICER CONTACT
7		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
		 Protecting our city from tidal flooding Shooting for the 'reading stars' Discover Chinese brush painting at a free workshop City schools affected by industrial action Drive to get more people to join their local library City schools affected by NUT action CCTV cameras act as major deterrent to crime Book on wartime Portsmouth hits record sales Pompey's Cup Final match showcased in big screen performance It's Museums Mayhem in May By George – it's celebration time at the Visitor Information Centre Community event to brighten up Buckland Get a taste of the Food Festival in Southsea 	
8		 'Tell Us 2 Things' – Resident and Staff Suggestion Scheme In order to progress the Key Delivery Target to implement a resident and staff suggestion scheme, a new pilot scheme called 'Tell Us 2 Things' will be launched on 19 May 2008. The scheme will be available for all to enter and will encourage both staff and residents to tell us something positive about the council as well as something they would like to see changed and their proposals for how it might change. Suggestions will be considered by relevant Heads of Service and by the Customer Services Programme Board as appropriate. For full details of the Tell Us 2 Things policy or the supporting communications strategy please contact Louise Wilders, Head of Customer First. 	Louise Wilders Customer Services Tel: 9268 8545

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9		Local Government Association – LGA Alerts – Information sent to Local Authorities for week commencing Monday 21 st April 2008 Checklist 16/08	Local Government Association (LGA) Email:
		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.	info@lga.gov.uk Tel: 020 7664 3131 <u>www.lga.gov.uk</u>
		CONFERENCES	
		The IDeA and LGE at PPMA - putting people first Advising that the IDeA and LGE will be attending this year's PPMA conference in Brighton (30th April - 2nd May) and would like to invite all delegates to come and see them at exhibition stand 30/31. They will be showcasing a number of different initiatives aimed at engaging with and developing the workforce - putting people at the heart of local government improvement. LG Alert Reference: 69/08	
		MEMBER SERVICES	
		Rural Commission - Notification of Representatives 2008/09 Circulating a registration form for those authorities wishing to remain a member of, or join, the Rural Commission for 2008-2009. LG Alert Reference: 70/08	
		Urban Commission - Notification of Representatives 2008/09 Circulating a registration form for those authorities wishing to join or amend their entry for the Urban Commission for 2008-2009. The annual meeting of the Rural Commission will take place on Wednesday 23rd July in Cardiff, followed by the Urban Conference. The closing date for nominations is Friday 20 June 2008. LG Alert Reference: 71/08	
		LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPROVEMENT	
		Lifting the burdens from local economic development and regeneration This alert gives some background to a review which the Lifting the Burdens Task Force has recently launched, which aims to remove the obstacles to locally led economic development and regeneration. The deadline for the submissions of evidence is Friday 23 May and the Task Force aims to make its report to the government in late summer. LG Alert Reference: 72/08	
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10		Executive Arrangements – Forward Plan of Key Decisions	Lin Chaplen Democratic &
		The next Forward Plan, produced in accordance with the requirements of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) Regulations 2000, was published on 14 April.	Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4053
		The Plan covers matters that are likely to be the subject of a key decision (as defined in Article 13(3) of the Constitution) in the next 4-month period, commencing on 1 May 2008.	101. 3203 4033
		A copy of the Plan has been sent to those members of the City Council who have requested a paper copy, and a copy placed in each Members' Room.	
		Key decisions will be taken by the whole Executive, or by individual Executive Members, on or after the dates shown in the Plan.	
		The financial threshold for key decisions is £250,000 or 25% of the relevant budget item, whichever is the greater. Key decisions may also be made in relation to matters that have a significant effect on local communities.	
		The Forward Plan contains a list of the documents (when available) due to be considered in relation to the key decisions to be taken, and gives a contact for each item.	
		The Forward Plan also contains details of Budget and Policy Framework decisions to be made by the City Council, in accordance with Article 4 of the Constitution (general reservation of powers to the City Council).	
		The Plan is available for inspection by the public during normal office hours at the Civic Offices Information Desk, and the City Council's web site at http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/yourcouncil/1446.html.	
		The Forward Plan will be published for each following four calendar month period on the 14 th day of each month.	

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11	Licensing Sub Committee – 11 April	Karen Martin/
	The following is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting;	Lucy Wingham Democratic &
	 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 - Licensing of Sex Establishments - Application for the Renewal of a Licence - Private Shop, 9 Arundel Street, Portsmouth, PO1 1NB. The committee granted the renewal of the sex shop licence. 	Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4662
	 Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the grant of a premises licence - The Clarence, Clarence Road, Southsea, PO5 2LQ. The premises licence was granted so as to permit the following licensable activities 	
	 sale of alcohol to residents daily for 24 hours via room service. sale of alcohol to non-residents, in the bar, daily from 1700 hours until 2300 hours. sale of late night refreshment daily from 2300 hours until 0500 hours to residents only via room service. 	
	Subject to the following conditions; that no bottles are to be disposed of outside the premises between the hours of 1800 and 0800 every day and that no draught beer products will be sold on the premises.	
	 After the exclusion of the press and public, the committee considered an application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence - Mr E. The Committee felt that there was insufficient evidence to persuade them to depart from the policy. 	
2	Licensing Sub Committee - Wednesday 30 April 2008 at 9.30am in Meeting Room 1 of the Guildhall, Portsmouth.	Karen Martin/ Lucy Wingham
	The following items will be considered;	Democratic & Community
	 Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the grant of a premises licence - The Drink Project, Unit 308 Victory Business Centre, Somers Road North, Portsmouth, PO1 1PJ 	Engagement Tel: 9283 4662
	 Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the variation of a premises licence - Route 66, 37-39 Guildhall Walk, Portsmouth, PO1 2DD 	
	 Licensing Act 2003 - Application to vary a premises licence to specify an individual as designated premises supervisor - Roast Bar, 21-23 Guildhall Walk, Portsmouth, PO1 2RY 	

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13		Development Control Committee – 23 April 2008	Karen Martin/ Lucy Wingham
		The Committee considered the following main agenda items:	Democratic & Community
		Room Move – Members noted the verbal update provided by the Head of Democratic & Community Engagement on the progress being made on this matter.	Engagement Tel: 9283 4662
		• Appeal decision - Marina Café, Southsea Esplanade, Southsea was noted by the Committee.	
		The following Development Applications were considered:	
		• 08/00279/FUL - 115 Second Avenue Portsmouth - Retention of log cabin for sensory/therapy equipment was Granted Permission.	
		• 08/00316/FUL - 9 Uplands Road Drayton Portsmouth - Construction of part 2-/part single storey side extension, single storey rear extension and new pitched roof with dormer windows to front and rear roofslopes (Amended Scheme) was Granted Conditional Permission.	
		O8/00377/CON - Concrete Shelter Eastney Esplanade, Southsea - Demolition of concrete shelter (re-submission of 07/01945/CON) was Deferred to allow for the production of costs and options regarding the demolition or repair of the structure.	
		O8/00415/FUL - Land Adjacent To 22 Dean Road, Portsmouth - Construction of new two- storey dwellinghouse (re-submission of 07/00437/FUL) was Granted Conditional Permission.	
		08/00383/FUL - 11 Clarence Parade, Southsea - Alterations and conversion of existing garage facing Auckland Road West to form dwellinghouse, including construction of new garage was Granted Conditional Permission.	
		08/00387/CON - 11 Clarence Parade, Southsea - Removal of boundary wall fronting Auckland Road West (Conservation Area Consent) was Granted Consent.	

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Contd/	• 07/00686/FUL - Land Adjacent Car Ferry Terminal, Gunwharf Road - Construction of part single/part two storey building including roof balcony and canopied summer terrace to form restaurant (Class A3) and cookery school (Amended Scheme) was Granted Conditional Permission. The imposition of appropriate conditions was delegated to the Head of Planning Services in consultation with Committee Members.	
	• 08/00142/FUL - Former Allders Warehouse, Cross Street, Portsea - Construction of 165 dwellings in 3 blocks - in form of a terrace of 6 two-storey houses (with accommodation in roof) fronting new access road between King William Street and Cross Street, 4-storey building for 18 flats onto Prince George Street and 3- to 9-storey building for 141 flats/ maisonette onto Cross Street, surface/ basement car parking with access via Cross Street and Prince George Street, cycle stores and landscaping (after demolition of existing building) was Deferred to allow for further negotiation with the developer.	
	• 08/00179/FUL - Mayflower Public House, 295 - 297 Highland Road, Southsea - Construction of 7 terraced and 2 detached dwelling houses following demolition of existing (re-submission of 07/02009/FUL) was Deferred to allow for further negotiation with the developer.	
	• 08/00324/OUT - Lake House, 12 St Helens Parade, Southsea - Outline Application for the construction of 9 flats after demolition of existing building (principles of access, appearance, layout and scale to be considered) was Refused.	
	• 08/00344/FUL - Ocean Hotel & Apartments, 8-10 St Helens Parade, Southsea - Construction of one additional storey and new pitched roof to provide 6 flats was Granted Conditional Permission.	
	• 08/00389/FUL - 24 - 25 Wimbledon Park Road, Southsea - Change of use of No 24 Wimbledon Park Road from flats to old peoples residential care home (Class C2) including construction of part single/part 3-storey link extension between Nos 24 and 25 Wimbledon Park Road (existing residential care home) (Re-submission of 07/02450/FUL) was referred to the Secretary of State to decide whether to call in the application for her own determination as the Committee was minded to approve the application against the recommendation of the Environment Agency.	

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14	Policy & Review Topic Panel C – Friday 2 May The Policy & Review Topic Panel C will be meeting on Friday 2 May 2008 in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3, The Guildhall at 10.30am to sign off their report "Review of Pupil Exclusions from Portsmouth City Schools".	Vicki Plytas Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4058
15	Policy & Review Topic Panel B – Friday 2 May The Policy & Review Topic Panel B will be meeting on Friday 2 May 2008 in the Executive Meeting Room, Floor 3, The Guildhall at 10 am to sign off their report "Review of Emergency Planning".	Vicki Plytas Democratic & Community Engagement Tel: 9283 4058
16	 Big Green Commuter Challenge – 12-16 May 2008 Love Your Car? Give it a Day Off! Portsmouth City Council are organising the sixth BIG Green Commuter Challenge. Local organisations are competing against each other to save the most car miles to win the Commuter Challenge shield. Employees are encouraged to leave their cars at home for one or more days of the week and tr an alternative instead. Portsmouth City Council are competing against almost 40 other organizations, including the University of Portsmouth, Southern Electricity, Affinion International the Primary Care Trust, Havant Borough Council and Gunwharf Quays. Councillors are invited to take part in the Challenge and leave their car at home for one or more days of the week. The News has expressed an interest in reporting on the Challenge during the week and would like to know which Councillors are supporting the event and what they are planning to do. If you are planning to take part please contact Amanda Morris, PCC Travel Plans Officer on 023 9284 1332 or email: amanda.morris@portsmouthcc.gov.uk Find out more at www.portsmouth.gov.uk/commuterchallenge 	y

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17		Traffic Penalty Tribunal When Portsmouth City Council took up the decriminalised powers conferred by the Road Traffic Act 1991 to enforce parking restrictions in the city, we had to enter into a legal agreement to be able to use the National Parking Adjudication Service. This body dealt independently with appeals against parking penalties issued by local authorities.	Ken Ellcome Transport & Street Management Tel: 9268 8295
		On 31 March 2008, the Road Traffic Act 1991 was replaced by the Traffic Management Act 2004 and the appeals service changed its name to the Traffic Penalty Tribunal. We are therefore required to enter into a new legal agreement to continue our membership of this arrangement. The necessary authority will be approved and signed by the City Solicitor.	
18	Drayton & Farlington	107 Havant Road, Cosham Ref: 07/01468/FUL Decision Dismissed Decision Date: 15 April 2008	Ian Parkinson Planning Service Tel: 9283 4301
		An appeal was lodged against the refusal for construction of part 3-/part 4-storey building to form 30 retirement apartments, 1 no. wardens flat and ancillary accommodation; associated refuse/cycle storage and parking for 14 vehicles (after demolition of existing house)	
		This appeal was dealt with by the Written Representation procedure and the Inspector decided to dismiss the appeal.	
19	Paulsgrove	222 Southampton Road Paulsgrove Ref: 07/01063/FUL Decision Dismissed Decision Date: 3 April 2008	Jonathan McDermott Planning Service Tel: 9284 1470
		An appeal was lodged against the refusal for construction of two-storey side extension and conservatory; installation of balcony to existing front dormer window.	
		This appeal was dealt with by the Written Representation procedure and the Inspector decided to dismiss the appeal.	

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20	Central Southsea	Former Church Hall 151 Fawcett Road Southsea Ref: 07/01282/FUL Decision Allowed Decision Date: 8 April 2008 An appeal was lodged against the refusal for construction of part 3-/part 4-storey building to form	Mark Bridge Planning Service Tel: 9283 4298		
		21 flats with cycle storage at basement level, detached refuse stores and associated landscaping (after demolition of existing) This appeal was dealt with by an Informal Hearing and the Inspector decided to allow the appeal.			
21		Political Editor at The News The News has appointed a new political editor following the departure of Emily Pykett. She is Alex Forsyth, and her contact details are: Tel: 9262 2131 or <u>alex.forsyth@thenews.co.uk</u> .	John Millard Corporate Communications Tel: 9284 1395		

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:
22	St Jude	637	Greenhouse Kitchen 59 Marmion Road	 Application for a Premises Licence Type of Premises: Café Proposed Licensable Activities: Sale of Alcohol Proposed standard days and timings: Monday to Wednesday from 11:00 until 19:45 Thursday to Saturday from 11:00 until 22:15 Sunday from 11:00 until 17:00 	19 May 2008