

MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL held at the Guildhall Portsmouth on Tuesday, 28 May 2024 at 5.00 pm

Council Members Present

The Right Worshipful The Lord Mayor
Councillor Jason Fazackarley (in the Chair)

Councillors

Richard Adair	Suzy Horton
Yinka Adeniran	Lee Hunt
Dave Ashmore	Derek North
Chris Attwell	Mark Jeffery
Kimberly Barrett	Abdul Kadir
Simon Boshier	Brian Madgwick
Stuart Brown	George Madgwick
Peter Candlish	Hugh Mason
Matthew Cordy	Leonie Oliver
Cal Corkery	Steve Pitt
Raymond Dent	Darren Sanders
Chris Dike	Asghar Shah
Nicholas Dorrington	Russell Simpson
George Fielding	Emily Strudwick
Spencer Gardner	Benedict Swann
Charlotte Gerada	Lee Tindall
Rajah Ghosh	Mary Vallely
Graham Heaney	Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE
Ian Holder	Matthew Winnington

65. Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

66. Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Councillor Tom Coles and Councillor Judith Smyth.

67. To receive such communications as the Lord Mayor may desire to lay before the Council

The Lord Mayor did not have any communications.

68. Deputations from the Public under Standing Order No 24.

The City Solicitor advised that four verbal deputation requests had been received for this meeting.

The first was from Viola Langley in objection to the Cabinet recommendations in respect of minute 69 - Pre-Submission Portsmouth Local Plan.

The second was from Rod Bailey in objection to the Cabinet recommendations in respect of minute 69 - Pre-Submission Portsmouth Local Plan.

The third was from Paula Savage in objection to the Cabinet recommendations in respect of minute 69 - Pre-Submission Portsmouth Local Plan.

The fourth was from David Langley in objection to the Cabinet recommendations in respect of minute 69 - Pre-Submission Portsmouth Local Plan.

At the invitation of the City Solicitor, Viola Langley, Rod Bailey, Paula Savage and David Langley delivered their deputations to Council.

69. Pre-Submission Portsmouth Local Plan

Council Agenda Item 5 (Cabinet minute 43)

The Lord Mayor advised that under Standing Order 60 he would use his discretion to allow officers with the relevant technical expertise present to speak, should the need arise. This would only be used when he judged it necessary for them to do so to provide any technical knowledge required to inform the debate.

The minute was opposed by Councillor Hugh Mason in order to allow debate.

It was therefore

Proposed by Councillor Hugh Mason
Seconded by Councillor Steve Pitt

That the recommendations contained in Cabinet minute 43, Pre-Submission Portsmouth Local Plan, be approved.

Under Standing Order 1, the Lord Mayor proposed that Standing Order 38 be suspended to disapply a time limit for Group Leaders to speak, mirroring the process at the budget meeting which set the Council Tax each year.

This was seconded by Councillor Darren Sanders.

Following a vote, this was agreed by the majority of members present.

Under Standing Order 1, the Lord Mayor proposed that Standing Order 47(b) be suspended to remove the time limit on the proposer's right of reply, mirroring the process at the budget meeting which sets the Council Tax each year.

This was seconded by Councillor Steve Pitt.

Following a vote, this was agreed by the majority of members present.

Under Standing Order 1, the Lord Mayor proposed that Standing Order 29 be suspended to allow a question put to the Cabinet Member to be referred by them to one of the officers with the relevant technical expertise present to reply, if appropriate for them to do so.

This was seconded by Councillor Dave Ashmore.

Following a vote, this was agreed by the majority of members present.

As an amendment it was

Proposed by Councillor Simon Boshier
Seconded by Councillor Benedict Swann

To add 'and opposition spokespersons' after "with the Portfolio Holder for Planning Policy & City Development" in recommendation 3.

Council debated the item.

Following the debate, Cllr Hugh Mason, proposer of the Cabinet recommendations, agreed to subsume the amendment standing in the name of Councillor Simon Boshier into the recommendation.

Council voted on the Cabinet recommendations which, incorporated the subsumed amendment in the name of Cllr Simon Boshier.

In accordance with Standing Order 48b, eight councillors stood to request a recorded vote.

The following members voted in favour

Councillor Richard Adair	Councillor Yinka Adeniran
Councillor Dave Ashmore	Councillor Chris Attwell
Councillor Kimberly Barrett	Councillor Simon Boshier
Councillor Stuart Brown	Councillor Peter Candlish
Councillor Cal Corkery	Councillor Chris Dike
Councillor Nick Dorrington	Councillor George Fielding
Councillor Spencer Gardner	Councillor Charlotte Gerada
Councillor Raj Ghosh	Councillor Graham Heaney
Councillor Ian Holder	Councillor Suzy Horton
Councillor Lee Hunt	Councillor Mark Jeffery
Councillor Abdul Kadir	Councillor Brian Madgwick
Councillor George Madgwick	Councillor Hugh Mason
Councillor Leonie Oliver	Councillor Steve Pitt
Councillor Darren Sanders	Councillor Asghar Shah
Councillor Mary Valley	Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson
Councillor Matthew Winnington	

The following member voted against

Councillor Benedict Swann

The following members abstained from voting

Councillor Matthew Cordy
Councillor Jason Fazackarley
Councillor Russell Simpson
Councillor Lee Tindal

Councillor Raymond Dent
Councillor Derek North
Councillor Emily Strudwick

The recommendations in Cabinet minute 43, incorporating the subsumed amendment in the name of Councillor Simon Boshier, were therefore **APPROVED** and declared **CARRIED**.

It was therefore **RESOLVED** that Council:

1. Approve the draft Pre-Submission Portsmouth Local Plan and its Policies Map for public consultation under Regulation 19 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 subject to any minor changes that are deemed necessary prior to the start of the consultation being agreed by the Assistant Director of Planning & Economic Growth in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning Policy & City Development;
2. Approve the draft Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment including derogations supporting the draft Pre-Submission Local Plan for public consultation under Regulation 19 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 subject to any minor changes that are deemed necessary prior to the start of the consultation being agreed by the Assistant Director of Planning & Economic Growth in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning Policy & City Development;
3. Delegate authority to the Assistant Director of Planning & Economic Growth in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning Policy & City Development and opposition spokespersons to make any minor changes arising from the consultation and submit the Pre-Submission Local Plan to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities under regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 for examination along with the Pre-Submission representations and the core document library;
4. Note that if major changes are required to the Pre-Submission Local Plan that a further public consultation and decision by the City Council will be required; and
5. Note that the final Local Plan will be brought back to Full Council prior to formal adoption following the independent examination undertaken by an inspector appointed by the Secretary of State.

The meeting concluded at 6.21 pm.

Lord Mayor

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