

City of Portsmouth MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

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DATE: FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER 2015

The Members' Information Service produced in the Community & Communication Directorate 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 democratic@portsmouthcc.gov.uk and must be received by not later than 5pm on the date shown in the item.

If you want to know more about a proposal, please contact the officer indicated. You can also see the report on the council's web site at www.portsmouth.gov.uk

	WARD	DECISION	OFFICER CONTACT
1		<p>The Cabinet Member for Resources held his Decision Meeting on Thursday 22 October 2015</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Lee Mason, made the following decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revenues & Benefits Penalties <p>DECISION:</p> <p>That the Cabinet Member for Resources agrees that consultation takes place on the implementation of fixed penalties as permitted under the provisions of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 and the Social Security Administration Act 1992, whereby anyone who intentionally or knowingly fails to notify the Council of any change affecting Council Tax Liability or the Local Council Tax Support Scheme or Housing Benefit may be liable to a fixed penalty fine.</p> <p>(NB - The deadline for calling in this decision is not later than 5pm on Friday 30 October 2015.)</p> <p>In addition, the following information reports were received. No decisions were taken and these items are not, therefore, subject to call in.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilities Management Capital Project • Super Connected Cities • Monitoring of the First Quarter 2015/16 - Revenue Cash Limits and Capital Programme 	<p>Vicki Plytas Senior Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4058</p>

Part 2 - Proposals from Managers for Implementation

The following proposals have been brought forward. The Managers indicated will exercise their powers to approve the proposal unless a Councillor requests the item be referred for decision to the relevant Cabinet Member or Regulatory Committee. **Your request must be made to democratic@portsmouthcc.gov.uk and must be received by not later than 5pm on Friday 30 October 2015.**

An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

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

PORTFOLIO: TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION

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	WARD	SUBJECT AND PROPOSAL	OFFICER CONTACT
2		<p>Traffic Management Centre - replacement programme works 2015/16</p> <p>Proposal: for the replacement works to take place as detailed below.</p> <p>The Traffic Management Act (2004) requires the Council to do all that is reasonably practicable to manage the road network to keep traffic moving effectively and to minimise delay and congestion.</p> <p>Portsmouth city council (PCC) operates a Traffic Management Centre, which controls permanent traffic light sites, maintaining traffic signalling with 24 / 7 monitoring and control of strategic routes through the city highway infrastructure.</p> <p>The TMC was set up in 2000 and has had no major investment for equipment or software. This has led to a situation where the systems and infrastructure are now classed as 'end of life' and need to be upgraded.</p> <p>To address these issues a detailed review and business case for the TMC was completed recently this year to identify available options for cost efficient replacement solution. This solution will provide a robust and resilient system to better manage traffic flows within the city, reducing congestion and enabling an improved response to emergency incidents on the network and a move towards Smart Cities technology. Furthermore, the new system will reduce the ongoing revenue support costs.</p> <p>The capital programme costs of no more than £270k to support this change will be met from the Parking Reserve. The reduced ongoing revenue costs will continue to be met by the existing Transport budget cash limits.</p> <p>The detailed business case with financial appraisal is available from Finance.</p>	<p>Pam Turton Transport & Environment Tel: 9283 4614</p>

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TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER DECISION TO BE DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORT, ENVIRONMENT & BUSINESS SUPPORT

The Director of Transport, Environment & Business Support will exercise his powers to proceed with the following Traffic Regulation Order in accordance with the proposed action unless a Councillor requests the proposal to be referred to Cabinet for a decision.

Your request should be made to the Director of Transport, Environment & Business Support by telephoning Sharan Cooper (☎ 9283 4260) and must be received by not later than **12 noon** on **30 October 2015**. If you wish to know more about a particular application, please contact the Case Officer indicated.

Item No	Ward	Traffic Regulation Order	Case Officer & Tel No	Head of Transport, Environment & Business Support's Comments	Proposed Action
3	Baffins Charles Dickens Cosham Drayton & Farlington Fratton Milton St Thomas	The Portsmouth City Council (Various Roads) (Restrictions on Waiting and Amendments) (No.77) Order 2015	Nikki Musson 023 9283 4461	<p>A new Traffic Regulation Order is proposed to address parking issues in various roads citywide, in response to concerns and/or requests from residents, ward councillors, public services, businesses, etc.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To introduce parking restrictions in various roads across the city to improve road safety, pedestrian safety, visibility and traffic management, especially access for the emergency services, public services, delivery vehicles and refuse collection vehicles - To amend/remove/reduce parking restrictions to accommodate changing local needs and to ensure the most effective and appropriate use of the public highway <p>(DYL = double yellow lines SYL = single yellow line (part-time restriction))</p> <p>East Cosham Rd – DYLs on west and east sides, northwards from Havant Road to manage increased parking and traffic levels. West side: adjacent to No.91 Havant Rd and outside odd nos.9-17. East side: adjacent to new housing development and outside even nos.20-24.</p> <p>Balliol Rd / Binstead Rd - Minimum length DYLs to prevent parking across the junction, which currently obstructs access for larger vehicles.</p> <p>Cranleigh Ave / Cranleigh Rd - Minimum length DYLs to prevent parking across the junction, which currently obstructs access for larger vehicles.</p>	To carry out statutory 21-day public consultation on the proposals, which is anticipated to take place from the end of October 2015 as detailed opposite.

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				<p>Gunwharf Rd - change limited waiting to Pay & Display to match opposite side of the road. Cobbled section at southern end.</p> <p>Lindisfarne Close - designated ambulance bay within the existing layby for Ella Mackenzie Court</p> <p>Melrose Close - Extend DYLS on west side up to the dropped kerb. To maintain access to and from the cul-de-sac and prevent No.2's front door from being obstructed by cars parking on the pavement.</p> <p>Ashurst Rd - 3 short lengths of DYLS between the dropped kerbs at the eastern end, to prevent obstruction of traffic, damage to grassed verge and vehicles accessing play area 'inside' existing wooden posts for parking.</p> <p>Denville CI - Amend length and operating time of SYL to cater for recycling collection vehicle on Fridays, install DYLS on east side adjacent to wooden posts (vehicles no longer able to park on grass, and parking fully on highway obstructs access for larger vehicles).</p> <p>Cranborne Rd - DYLS at the dead end. Vehicles parking here are obstructing the turning area and driveways access, and take advantage of the loophole that allows parking without a permit (BC zone). Residents originally rejected proposal for DYLS as part of the parking zone, but now would like them installed.</p> <p>Park Lane - DYLS to be adjusted on west side to ensure a parking space is not lost when new driveway and dropped kerb is installed opposite.</p> <p>Second Ave/Waterworks Rd - concerns raised over visibility of approaching traffic since parking levels have increased (P&D introduced in Farlington Playing Fields car park). Minimal restrictions currently in place to be extended by 2-3m north and south of this junction.</p> <p>Tangier Rd - install DYLS on the bend just west of Portsmouth College. Parking on both sides of the road is a recent occurrence, which narrows the carriageway unexpectedly on the bend: motorists are not aware of until they reach it and have to brake sharply.</p> <p>Northumberland Rd - Extend DYLS by entrance to Priory View up to the disabled bay, to prevent a car squeezing in after the DYLS, taking up to 1m of the disabled bay.</p>	

PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY CITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

The City Development Manager will exercise her 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 **City Development Manager** by telephoning **the validation team (023 9283 4826 or 023 9283 4339 answerphone)** and must be received not later than **5pm on Friday 30 October 2015**. 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	Case Officer Proposed Decision
4	15/01450/FUL Drayton & Farlington	<p>Construction Site (residential) Site Of 93 Havant Road Portsmouth</p> <p>Formation of 6 additional car parking spaces accessed from East Cosham Road</p>	<p>One representation has been received from a resident of East Cosham Road objecting to the proposed six additional car parking spaces on the grounds that; (a) the junction between East Cosham Road and Havant Road has been made more difficult with the provision of the new footpath halting traffic on Havant Road, a major through route for emergency vehicles, (b) vehicles would be unable to enter and leave in a forward gear, (c) the scheme was originally refused as being detrimental to the street scene, and (d) additional vehicles using East Cosham Road will create too much traffic as this road is used as a short-cut.</p> <p>This application relates to the formation of a modestly sized car parking area that provides six additional spaces, taking the total on-site provision from nineteen spaces to twenty-five spaces. The car parking area would be situated at the northern end of the East Cosham Road frontage where the retirement living complex is set back into the site and within a landscaped part of the grounds. The provision of the footpath at the southern end of East Cosham Road would not be material to the consideration of the additional car parking facilities.</p> <p>Visually the proposed car parking area would not be considered to adversely affect the appearance of the street scene. The dimensions of the car parking facilities would be such that vehicles will be able to enter and leave the site in a forward gear, while adequate sight lines would be provided to ensure vehicles can safely enter the highway.</p>	<p>Ian Parkinson</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4301</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

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5	15/01492/FUL Cosham	<p>Lakeside Business Park Western Road Portsmouth</p> <p>Construction of a six-storey hotel (Class C1) up to 7,761sqm floorspace, car parking and associated landscaping</p>	<p>One letter of support has been received and considers the contemporary design and siting will complement the existing Lakeside development and the hotel will bring much needed amenity to it and the surrounding area. In particular the proposed hotel will: play a key role in attracting new occupiers to Lakeside Business Park; bring new jobs and economic activity to Portsmouth, specifically to a key objective to introduce a hotel at this site as a gateway form of development and to act as a catalyst to the future success of the park; provide essential business support that are important factors in decisions on the location and relocation of businesses; enhance the attractiveness of an area for existing businesses; be designed as a gateway development, using a contemporary design to create an impressive entrance to the site; and, Village Hotels has an established track record of targeting business users, particularly in midweek making it an appropriate hotel operator for this location.</p> <p>Outline permission was granted in 2010 for a 150-bedroom hotel (up to 6500sqm) at the site. A full application was permitted in 2012, for a 5-storey hotel up to 8407sqm. This hotel proposal remains acceptable, in principle, as a comparatively minor proportion of the overall development overwhelmingly for the B1(a) office space allocation of the site, for job creation and to support business uses to make a significant contribution to the city's employment needs. The key concern relates to design of this 6-storey hotel at a gateway location.</p> <p>The independent Design Review Panel has been consulted. The panel considered the scale, styling and form of the building to be acceptable, as with previously presented proposals for the site, they were however critical of aspects of the scheme. They repeated previously expressed concerns relating to the siting of the building, suggesting that its location would not respond appropriately to the current and probable future context of the site, and that the existing trees would better screen a car park than a building. The road entrance to the site is weakened by the car park, whereas a building positioned in this location would create a strong marker/gateway. They were disappointed with the external location of the bathrooms which were considered a particularly poor aspect of the design. This was felt to adversely affect the internal environment, deprive occupants of views and fresh air, and create a poor void to solid fenestration ratio/design.</p>	<p>Alan Banting</p> <p>Tel: 023 9283 4324</p> <p>Refuse</p>

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			<p>The number and disposition of the windows within the scheme is very far removed from the precedents which were provided. The proposal exhibits far less glazing and offers a poor alternative. It was suggested that a change in plan is necessary to achieve a better solution. The recommendation of the Panel is that the proposal is not supported in its current form.</p> <p>The concerns of the Panel have been similarly expressed by officers (in pre-application discussion). For the reasons outlined above, the overall design approach remains unconvincing and disappointing. The proposal is not considered to meet the highest standard of architectural quality expected for this gateway location to comply with policy PCS23.</p>	

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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6		Housing Cabinet - 3 November - Cancellation Councillor Wemyss as Cabinet Member for Housing has cancelled his scheduled decision meeting of Tuesday 3 November at 5.30pm as, following discussion at his briefing meeting, it was agreed that there are no urgent items of business at this time. The next meeting is scheduled for 26 January 2016.	Joanne Wildsmith Local Democracy Officer Tel: 9283 4057
7	St Thomas	The Former Brook Club Site - Refurbishment A capital contribution of £314,768.53 for planned maintenance works to the building of the former Brook Club, Sackville Road will be made. The building was previously used as a youth club to house the Brook Club. This service has subsequently moved to the newly constructed Somerstown Hub building, with the site being vacant since July 2014. The Air Training Corp and the Scouts currently occupy the Old Brewery in Hambrook Street which is no longer fit for purpose due to disrepair. This building has therefore been repurposed to accommodate the Air Training Corp and the Scouts, releasing the Hambrook Street site for disposal. The main works consist of full internal refurbishment including alterations to the layout and fire safety works, together with external repair and maintenance. Tenders have been received, evaluated and a preferred bidder identified. We now wish to proceed with the contract award. The £314,768.53 funding has been approved from the HRA (Non-dwellings) - Refurbishment budget, Line 9 as approved by Full Council budget meeting 10 February 2015.	Adam Hardwick Property & Housing Tel: 07852 167897

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8		<p>Mountbatten Leisure Centre - replacement fencing</p> <p>Members are advised that a capital funding allocation of £20,000 from the Culture and City Development Leisure Maintenance Reserve will be used as partnership funding for the replacement of the fence surrounding the cycle track cycle at the Mountbatten Leisure Centre. The total cost of the scheme is £80,000 and the balance of funding will be provided by Broadwater Leisure Ltd. (£20,000) which has the contract for the operation of the facility and British Cycling (£40,000) following a successful funding application.</p>	<p>Mark Woolnough City Development & Culture Tel: 9283 4035</p>

LICENSING ACT 2003 – APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY

The Licensing Authority has received the following application 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 other persons may make representations.

Members should be aware that representations may only be made on the grounds of one or more of the licensing objectives. These are: “the prevention of crime and disorder”, “the prevention of public nuisance”, “public safety” and “the protection of children from harm”. Any representation must be in writing and should, where possible, include evidence to support the licensing objectives. Representations should not be frivolous or vexatious.

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:
9	St Jude	15/04203/ LAPREM	Rum Club Copthorne House 25 Malvern Road Southsea PO5 2LZ	Application for Premises Licence Sale of Alcohol, Monday to Friday from 09:00 until 17:00	11.11.2015