

WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - 6 MARCH 2018

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Deadline for Call-in: 5pm on 15 March 2018

The decisions on the following page were taken by the Management Committee on 6 March 2016

A request for call-in must be received by the Democratic Services Officer by 5 pm on Thursday 15 March 2018. A request may be made by any Councillor who is not a member of the Management Committee.

The request for call-in will be referred to the Monitoring Officer who will determine whether the call in is procedurally correct.

The procedure to be followed to submit a call-in request is as follows:

- (a) It must be in writing specifying the details of the decision to which it relates.
- (b) It must state the reasons for the call-in which must be:-
 - That the decision taken was outside of the Policy Framework, or
 - That the decision taken was outside of the Budget agreed by the Full Council, or
 - That the decision taken was not delegated to the decision taker.
- (c) The request for call-in must give brief evidence as to why the decision should be called in for one of the above reasons.

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DECISIONS:-

7 MODERN SLAVERY PROTOCOL AND GUIDANCE

That the Modern Slavery Protocol and Guidance be adopted.

8 TOWN CENTRE IMPROVEMENT

- (a) That £50,000 from budget reserves be allocated to the Town Centre Management Budget to support works to improve the “look and feel” of Weymouth Town Centre;
- (b) That £40,000 be allocated from budget reserves to fund the salary of the new Conservation Enforcement Officer.

9 EVENTS AND FESTIVALS POLICY 2018 - 2023

- (a) That the changes made to the Policy following the consultation programme with event organisers, Dorset Councils Partnership Services, Dorset County Council and the Weymouth and Portland Safety Advisory group as out in the appendix A of the report, be endorsed.
- (b) That the Events and Festivals Policy as set out in appendix B, be adopted as policy for 5 years from 1st April 2018.
- (c) That in line with the WPBC parking policy, agreed in March 2017, charges for use of the car parks to be negotiated by the DCP Parking Services Manager, in consultation with the appropriate Briefholder.

(NB. Events and festivals that were already booked with the Events Services prior to 1 April 2018 and take place prior to 31 December 2018 would not be subject to this)

10 AWARD OF GRANT TO ACTIVATE PERFORMING ACTS FOR CENTENARY COMMEMORATION EVENT

- (a) That a one-off grant of £4,000 be awarded to Active Performing Arts Ltd (registered charity no. 1069622) as a contribution towards the cost of staging the Furious Folly centenary commemoration event in September 2018;
- (b) That authority be delegated to the Head of Economy, Leisure & Tourism, in consultation with the relevant briefholder, to agree the terms of the grant agreement with Active Performing Arts Ltd.

11 FUNDING FOR VOLUNTARY SECTOR ORGANISATIONS IN WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND

- (a) That a grant of £4,125 per annum be awarded to Portland Museum Trust in order to help the Trust meet cost of the rent charged by the council for the

Portland Museum premises in Wakeham, Portland, for up to a 4-year period from 1 April 2018 and that any such grant be the subject of a grant agreement;

- (b) That a grant of £5,000 per annum be awarded to Weymouth Angling Society in order to help the Society meet the cost of the rent charged by the council for The Angling Centre, Commercial Road, Weymouth for up to a 4-year period from 1 April 2018 and that any such grant be the subject of a grant agreement;
- (c) That a grant be awarded to the Islanders Club for Young People in order to help the Club meet the cost of the rent to be charged by the council for the Club's premises at East Weare Road, Portland, for up to a 4-year period from 1 April 2018 and that any such grant be the subject of a grant agreement;
- (d) That authority be delegated to the Strategic Director, in consultation with the relevant briefholder, to agree the terms of the grant agreements with any of the above organisations to which the committee agrees to award a grant.

12 LICENSING OF HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION

- (a) That the proposed fee structure for the mandatory licensing of HMOs contained within paragraph 11 to 13 of the report be adopted.
- (b) That the committee resolve to continue the existing fees policy for the licensing of Mobile Home parks for 2018-19 and to be engaged in a county wide review as part of any Local Government review process.

13 MANAGEMENT OF THE VERNE COMMON NATURE RESERVE AND HIGH ANGLE BATTERY, PORTLAND

- (a) That the progress of the work plan scheduled in the Higher Level Stewardship Scheme be noted.
- (b) That the Council continue to manage the Reserve under the auspices of the HLS Agreement beyond 2019 break opportunity and if the rotational grazing plan is successful then contract with Dorset Wildlife Trust to extend their Management Agreement until the end of 2020.
- (c) That the concept of a management partnering agreement with the National Trust, Dorset Wildlife Trust and other local landowners be approved and officers be authorised to progress negotiations relating to possible future land transfers and/or management arrangements potentially as part of a wider land management proposal for Portland working in partnership with other landowners and the Portland Town Council.

14 LOCAL BUSINESS REVALUATION SUPPORT SCHEME

- (a) That the Business rates revaluation Support Scheme as set out at appendix 1, be approved.

- (b) That any under spend in 2018/19 be used to provide additional support for other cases as agreed by the Head of Revenue & Benefits in consultation with Finance & Assets briefholder.

15 LOCAL COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME

- (a) That a fundamental review of the Local Council Tax Support scheme be agreed and that a report be brought back later in the year in respect of a proposed scheme for 2019/20.
- (b) That the scheme for 2018/19 remain unchanged and continues to reflect the characteristics as set out in paragraph 8 of the report.

16 COUNCILLOR APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODY

- (a) That Councillor K Baker be appointed to serve on Portland Harbour Consultative Committee.
- (b) That Cllr M Leicester be appointed as the Vice-Chairman of the Portland Quarries Liaison Group.