



Minutes of the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH) Joint Committee

*Minutes of a meeting held on 15 October 2018
in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Fareham*

Members:

Councillors

Seán Woodward
Nick Adams-King
Guy Shepherd
Wayne Whittle
Stephen Philpott
Michael Wilson
Judith Grajewski

Authority Represented:

Fareham BC
Test Valley BC
East Hampshire DC
Isle of Wight Council
Gosport BC
Havant BC
Hampshire CC

Chief Executives & Senior Officers:

Peter Grimwood
Laura Taylor
Wendy Perera
Stuart Jarvis
Natalie Wigman
Richard Crouch
Roger Tetstall
Sandy Hopkins
David Williams

Authority Represented:

Fareham BC
Winchester CC
Isle of Wight Council
Hampshire CC
Eastleigh BC
Southampton CC
Test Valley
Havant BC & East Hampshire DC
Portsmouth CC & Gosport BC

Co-opted Members:

Paddy May
Anne-Marie Mountifield

Organisation Represented:

PUSH
Solent Local Enterprise Partnership

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND CHANGES IN JOINT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Edward Heron (New Forest DC); Christopher Hammond (Southampton CC); Gerald Vernon-Jackson (Portsmouth CC) and Caroline Horrill (Winchester CC).

Chief Executive apologies were received from Bob Jackson (New Forest DC); Nick Tustian (Eastleigh BC) with Natalie Wigman deputising and John Metcalf (Isle of Wight Council) with Wendy Perera deputising.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the PUSH Joint Committee meeting held on 05 June 2018 be confirmed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements made at this meeting.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

6. PUSH CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

The Joint Committee received a report from Paddy May, PUSH Co-ordinator, which covered issues which are significant, but do not justify a full report to be brought to the attention of the Joint Committee for decision or for information.

RESOLVED that the Joint Committee:

1. NOTES and APPROVES the Bird Aware 2017/2018 Annual Report; and
2. NOTES the matters for information outlined in Part B of the report.

7. PUSH AIR QUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

The Joint Committee received the report David Hayward, Planning Policy Manager at Havant Borough Council and a presentation from Dr. Jessica Virido of Ricardo Energy and Environment in respect of the PUSH Air Quality Impact Assessment. This Assessment gives the PUSH Authorities a robust evidence base to take forward through Local Plans.

RESOLVED that the Joint Committee:

1. NOTES and ENDORSES the PUSH Air Quality Impact Assessment as part of the collective evidence base to inform future Local Plans and deliver the development proposed in the PUSH Spatial Position Statement;
2. NOTES and ACKNOWLEDGES that air quality is a strategic issue and continued collaborative working amongst PUSH authorities will be needed;
3. NOTES and ACKNOWLEDGES that the PUSH Air Quality Impact Assessment provides a strategic baseline for the purpose of informing future planning policies. It does not necessarily support other local authority functions or regulatory regimes concerning air quality. This includes the Local Air Quality Management regime (Environment Act 1995 Part IV) and duties placed upon authorities to support the UK Plan for Reducing Roadside Nitrogen Dioxide; and
4. ENDORSES the approach of PUSH authorities continue to work together to address the issue of air quality. It is acknowledged that this work is best undertaken by the Planning Officers Group or a working group attached to that group and requires input from officers working in Environmental Health and Public Health to ensure that the wider perspective is taken into account.

8. REVISED NPPF – DUTY TO COOPERATE AND INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

The Joint Committee received a report from Claire Upton-Brown, Portsmouth City Council in respect of the revision to the National Planning Policy Framework and the implications for PUSH Authorities to the reliance that can be given to the PUSH Position Statement under the Duty to Co-operate.

RESOLVED that the Joint Committee:

1. AGREES that the PUSH Authorities should work together, under the Duty to Cooperate, to seek to produce a Statement of Common Ground; and
2. AGREES to give authority to the PUSH Authorities to explore the production of an Infrastructure Investment Plan.

9. THE LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP (LEP) REVIEW

The Joint Committee received a report from Paddy May, the PUSH Coordinator outlining the main elements of the HM Government paper “Strengthened Local Enterprise Partnerships” and the proposals submitted by the Solent LEP in respect of geographical boundaries and the action plan in response to other recommendations made within the HM Government Report in respect of governance arrangements.

Anne-Marie Mountifield, the Chief Executive of the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership updated the members of the Joint Committee about the approach that the Solent LEP is taking.

RESOLVED that the Joint Committee:

1. NOTES the contents of the “Strengthened Enterprise Partnerships” paper (outlined in section A of the report); and
2. NOTES the geography proposal submitted by the Solent LEP (outlined in section B of the report).

(The meeting started at 6:03pm and ended at 7:28pm).

(NB: The next meeting of the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH) Joint Committee will be held on 04 December 2018).