

## Sustainability Commission – 29 October 2003

### Brighton & Hove Sustainability Checklist for New Developments.

#### Briefing Note – For information only

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- The Checklist will be taken to Environment Committee on the 11 December 2003 for approval to go out to public consultation. The views of the Commission will be sought at the next Commission meeting on 3 December 2003 where the Checklist will be made available, further information will be given and the Commission will have the opportunity to comment on the Checklist.
- The Sustainability Checklist will enable an assessment of development proposals in relation to the City's Sustainability Strategy. This will help to deliver the objectives of the strategy and provide a consistent approach in the implementation of the sustainability agenda in Brighton & Hove.
- The checklist will be made available to developers in order to help focus their minds on sustainability issues at the beginning of the application process.
- It will enable applicants to demonstrate the sustainability of their proposal, either as part of a design statement or a stand alone sustainability statement.
- The Checklist will work on a scoring system based around three standards in order to give a final sustainability score for the scheme. This is as follows:

Fully Met	2
Partially Met	1
Not Met	0
- In order for a consistent approach in the assessment of schemes guidance notes have been produced that indicate the expected level of compliance for each of the scores.
- The Checklist is currently being piloted by Development Control, who will feed back on the ease of use, relevance, and realistic yet challenging scoring targets.