

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

4.00pm 13 JANUARY 2009

COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL

DECISION LIST

Part One

62. UPDATE ON THE 'COMMUNITIES IN CONTROL' WHITE PAPER

Contact Officers: *Oliver Dixon* *Tel: 29-3944*
Emma McDermott *Tel: 29-1512*
Ward Affected: *All Wards*

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the latest position on the Department of Communities and Local Government's consultations under the White Paper be noted;
- (2) That the governance related provisions of:
 - (i) the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Bill, and
 - (ii) the draft Community Empowerment Bill, be noted;
- (3) That officers be requested to provide the Committee with a further report to its meeting on the 10 March 2009, setting out more detail and analysis on the Bills, and seeking the Committee's input in formulating a response to the Department of Communities and Local Government's latest White Paper consultations.

63. REVIEW OF CABINET MEMBER FUNCTIONS FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY

Contact Officer: *Abraham Ghebre-Ghiorghis* *Tel: 291500*
Ward Affected: *All Wards*

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the proposed transfer of community safety functions delegated to the Cabinet Member for Environment as detailed in the report, to the Cabinet Member for Community Affairs, Inclusion and Internal Relations be agreed;

- (2) That the Head of Law be authorised to make the necessary amendments to the Council's Constitution.

64. INTRODUCTION OF CRIME & DISORDER COMMITTEES

Contact Officer: Oliver Dixon *Tel:* 29-1512
Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Government's intention to introduce Crime & Disorder Committees from April 2009 be noted; and
- (2) That the local governance implications as a result of (1) above be considered as part of the council's 6-month review of its Constitution and in light of statutory guidance and regulations expected in early 2009.

65. UPDATE ON THE 6-MONTH REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION

Contact Officer: Abraham Ghebre-Ghiorghis *Tel:* 291500
Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

66. ITEMS TO GO FORWARD TO COUNCIL

Contact Officer: Mark Wall *Tel:* 29-1006
Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED – That no items be referred to the forthcoming council meeting for information.

Part Two

67. EQUAL PAY – EXEMPT CATEGORIES 4 & 5

Contact Officers: Katie Ogden *Tel:* 29-1299
Nigel Manvell *Tel:* 29-3104
Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED – That the recommendations contained in the report be agreed.

68. TO CONSIDER WHETHER OR NOT THE ABOVE ITEM AND THE DECISIONS THEREON SHOULD REMAIN EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE TO THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

Contact Officer: Mark Wall
Ward Affected: All Wards

Tel: 29-1006

RESOLVED – That item No. 67 and the decisions thereon remain exempt from disclosure to the press and public.

Note: The above decisions will be implemented after close of business on 20 January, 2009 unless they are called in.