

**BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL**

**HOUSING COMMITTEE**

**4.00pm 13 NOVEMBER 2013**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL**

# **DECISION LIST**

**Part One**

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**33. PET POLICY**

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*Ward Affected: All Wards*

33.1 **RESOLVED** – That subject to the inclusion of a provision normally limiting the number of dogs in any household to one, the Housing Committee agrees to the adoption of the Pet Policy

**34. NOMINATION AGREEMENTS**

*Ward Affected: All Wards*

34.1 **RESOLVED** -That Housing Committee resolve that the Executive Director Environment, Development and Housing be authorised to enter into Nomination Agreements with Registered Providers on the basis set out in this report, subject to the approval of the terms of the individual Nomination Agreements by the Executive Director Finance and Resources to confirm value for money.

**35. EXTRA CARE HOUSING - BROOKE MEAD UPDATE**

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*Ward Affected: All Wards*

35.1 **RESOLVED** - That Housing Committee –

(1) Delegate authority to the Executive Director Environment Development & Housing to enter into the Care & Support Specialist Housing Fund (2013-18) Funding Agreement with the Homes & Communities Agency, the key elements of which are set out in this report.

(2) Recommend that the Policy & Resources Committee approve a

capital programme budget up to a maximum of £8.3 m for the delivery of Brooke Mead extra care scheme to be financed through unsupported borrowing in the Housing Revenue Account, HCA Grant and a contribution from ASC.

(3) Delegate authority to the Executive Director Environment Development & Housing (in consultation with the Executive Director Finance & Resources) to enter into the necessary contracts (including with a development partner as necessary) to secure:

(i) the demolition of the existing building as previously agreed by Policy and Resources Committee (21 March 2013);

(ii) the design and build operations required to complete the development of the extra care housing scheme at Brooke Mead as described in this report; and

(iii) the housing management operation, in respect of the new extra care housing scheme.

### **36. NEW HOMES FOR NEIGHBOURHOODS - DEVELOPMENT OF NEW HOMES ON HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT LAND**

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*Ward Affected:* All Wards

#### **36.1 RESOLVED –**

That Housing Committee Delegates authority to the Executive Director Environment, Development & Housing in consultation with the Executive Director, Finance and Resources to procure and award a contract (or contracts, if appropriate) for demolition works, final feasibility study, design and development of new council housing on the sites of:

(i) the former Housing Office at Manor Place, Whitehawk, Brighton and

(ii) 243-245 Preston Road, Brighton and authorises the Head of Legal

to complete the required documentation .

### **37. ACCESS TO HOUSING SERVICES - HOUSING OFFICE ACCOMMODATION STRATEGY**

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*Ward Affected:* All Wards

#### **37.1 RESOLVED –**

(1) That Housing Committee approves the Resident Access Strategy set out in sections 4.2 to 4.4 of this report.

(2) That Housing Committee approves the following Changes based on the Resident Access Strategy:

(i) Closure of the Selsfield Drive Housing Office and relocation of

services to the Oxford Street Housing Office by the end of 2013/14

(ii) Removal of cash desks from the housing offices in 2014/15 once all residents who currently use this facility have been given advice and support to change to other payment methods.

(3) That Housing Committee approves that, once vacated, the Selsfield Drive Housing Office be demolished in order to be redeveloped, subject to planning consent, for new homes under Phase 2 of the New Homes for Neighbourhoods estate regeneration programme.

NB The above decisions will be implemented after close of business on 20 November 2013 unless they are called in.