





**Brighton & Hove
City Council**

Overview & Scrutiny Commission

Title:	Scrutiny Panels - Budget
Date:	13 January 2014
Time:	2.00pm
Venue	Banqueting Suite, Hove Town Hall
Members:	Councillors: Simson (Chair), Mitchell, Sykes and Sally Polanski (Community Works co-optee)
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AGENDA

10. Procedural Business**1 - 2****11. Minutes**

To approve the draft minutes of the meeting held on 07 January 2014 (a confidential copy of the draft minutes has been circulated to members under separate cover).

12. Chair's Communication**13. Budget discussion**

This meeting will focus on:

- Homelessness/Supporting People
- Housing Revenue Account
- ASC
- Duplication/joint working – e.g. between Public Health/ASC/Housing

Witnesses confirmed are:

- Cllr Bill Randall, Chair, Housing Committee
- Cllr Rob Jarrett, Chair, Adult Care & Health Committee
- Geoff Raw, Executive Director, Environment, Development & Housing
- Angela Smithers, Interim Head of Housing
- Monica Brooks, Principal Accountant (HRA and SDNPA)
- Susie Allen, Principal Accountant (HRA and SDNPA)
- Brian Doughty, Head of Adults Assessment
- Linda Beanlands, Commissioner for Community Safety
- Peter Castleton, Community Safety Manager (Casework)
- Dr Peter Wilkinson, Deputy Director of Public Health/Public Health Consultant
- Alistair Hill, Public Health Consultant

14. Date of next meeting

This is the final public meeting of the budget scrutiny panel. The panel's report will be considered by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee (OSC) on January 27 2014.

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Agenda Item 1

A. Declaration of Substitutes

Where a Member of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is unable to attend a meeting for whatever reason, a substitute Member attend and speak and vote in their place for that meeting. Substitutes are not allowed on Scrutiny Select Committees or Scrutiny Panels.

The substitute Member shall be a Member of the Council drawn from the same political group as the Member who is unable to attend the meeting, and must not already be a Member of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The substitute Member must declare themselves as a substitute, and be minuted as such, at the beginning of the meeting or as soon as they arrive.

B. Declarations of Interest

- (1) To seek declarations of any personal or personal & prejudicial interests under Part 2 of the Code of Conduct for Members in relation to matters on the Agenda. Members who do declare such interests are required to clearly describe the nature of the interest.
- (2) A Member of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Scrutiny Panel or other scrutiny body has a prejudicial interest in any business at meeting of that Committee where –
 - (a) that business relates to a decision made (whether implemented or not) or action taken by the Executive or another of the Council's committees, sub-committees, joint committees or joint sub-committees; and
 - (b) at the time the decision was made or action was taken the Member was
 - (i) a Member of the Executive or that committee, sub-committee, joint committee or joint sub-committee and
 - (ii) was present when the decision was made or action taken.
- (3) If the interest is a prejudicial interest, the Code requires the Member concerned:-
 - (a) to leave the room or chamber where the meeting takes place while the item in respect of which the declaration is made is under consideration. [There are three exceptions to this rule which are set out at paragraph (4) below].
 - (b) not to exercise executive functions in relation to that business and

- (c) not to seek improperly to influence a decision about that business.
- (4) The circumstances in which a Member who has declared a prejudicial interest is permitted to remain while the item in respect of which the interest has been declared is under consideration are:-
 - (a) for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the item, provided that the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose, whether under a statutory right or otherwise, BUT the Member must leave immediately after he/she has made the representations, answered the questions, or given the evidence,
 - (b) if the Member has obtained a dispensation from the Audit and Standards Committee, or
 - (c) if the Member is the Leader or a Policy Committee Member and has been required to attend before an Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Sub-Committee to answer questions.

C. Declaration of party whip

To seek declarations of the existence and nature of any party whip in relation to any matter on the Agenda.

D. Exclusion of press and public

To consider whether, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, or the nature of the proceedings, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting when any of the following items are under consideration.

NOTE: Any item appearing in Part 2 of the Agenda states in its heading the category under which the information disclosed in the report is confidential and therefore not available to the public.

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