

**BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY
ANNUAL
COUNCIL MEETING**



4.30PM 21 MAY 2015

COUNCIL CHAMBER, BRIGHTON TOWN HALL

AGENDA

Council Meeting

Title:	Council
Date:	21 May 2015
Time:	4.30pm
Venue	Council Chamber, Brighton Town Hall
Members:	All Councillors You are summoned to attend a meeting of the BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL to transact the under-mentioned business.
	Prayers will be conducted in the Council Chamber at 4.20pm by Archdeacon, the Venerable Martin Lloyd-Williams.
Contact:	Mark Wall Head of Democratic Services 01273 291006 mark.wall@brighton-hove.gov.uk

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1 COUNCIL BUSINESS - NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILLORS

The Mayor will invite the newly elected councillors to come forward and take their respective seats in the Council Chamber.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- (a) Disclosable pecuniary interests;
- (b) Any other interests required to be registered under the local code;
- (c) Any other general interest as a result of which a decision on the matter might reasonably be regarded as affecting you or a partner more than a majority of other people or businesses in the ward/s affected by the decision.

In each case, you need to declare

- (i) the item on the agenda the interest relates to;
- (ii) the nature of the interest; and
- (iii) whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest or some other interest.

If unsure, Members should seek advice from the committee lawyer or administrator preferably before the meeting.

3 MAYORAL REPORT 2015-16

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Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (copy attached).

Contact Officer: Martin Warren

Tel: 01273 291225

Ward Affected: All Wards

4 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR OF BRIGHTON AND HOVE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2015/16

The Mayor will seek nominations.

ADJOURNMENT

A short adjournment will take place to allow for the robing of the new Mayor.

5 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR

The Mayor will call on Councillor Mitchell to move a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor.

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6 APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF BRIGHTON AND HOVE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2015/16

The Mayor will move the appointment of the Deputy Mayor.

7 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive communications from the Mayor.

8 APPOINTMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL 2015/16

The Mayor will seek nominations for the Leader of the Council for 2015/16.

9 CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

Report of the Monitoring Officer (copy to be circulated).

Contact Officer: Abraham Ghebre-Ghiorghis Tel: 01273 291500
Ward Affected: All Wards

10 APPOINTMENTS 2015/16

- (a) To approve the appointment of the Deputy Leader of the Council:
Councillor Mitchell
- (b) To appoint the Leader of the Official Opposition:
Councillor Geoffrey Theobald.
- (c) To note the appointments to the following positions as agreed by the respective Groups represented on the Council:
 - (i) Leader of the Labour & Co-operative Group:
Councillor Warren Morgan
 - (ii) Deputy Leaders of the Labour & Co-operative Group
Councillor Mitchell
Councillor Hamilton (Finance)
 - (iii) Leader of the Conservative Group:
Councillor Geoffrey Theobald
 - (iv) Deputy Leaders of the Conservative Group
Councillor Simson
Councillor Wealls
 - (v) Convenor of the Green Group:
Councillor Phelim Mac Cafferty
 - (vi) Deputy Convenors of the Green Group:
Councillor Lizzie Deane
Councillor Alex Phillips

11 REVIEW OF POLITICAL BALANCE AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES, JOINT COMMITTEES, FORUMS, PANELS AND OUTSIDE BODIES 2015/16.

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Report of the Chief Executive (copy attached).

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12 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Mayor will move a closure motion under Procedure Rule 17 to terminate the meeting 4 hours after the beginning of the meeting (excluding any breaks/adjournments).

Note:

1. *The Mayor will put the motion to the vote and if it is carried will then:-*

(a) *Call on the Member who had moved the item under discussion to give their right of reply, before then putting the matter to the vote, taking into account the need to put any amendments that have been moved to the vote first;*

(b) *Each remaining item on the agenda that has not been dealt with will then be taken in the order they appear on the agenda and put to the vote without debate.*

The Member responsible for moving each item will be given the opportunity by the Mayor to withdraw the item or to have it voted on. If there are any amendments that have been submitted, these will be taken and voted on first in the order that they were received.

(c) *Following completion of the outstanding items, the Mayor will then close the meeting.*

2. *If the motion moved by the Mayor is **not carried** the meeting will continue in the normal way, with each item being moved and debated and voted on.*

3. *Any Member will still have the opportunity to move a closure motion should they so wish. If such a motion is moved and seconded, then the same procedure as outlined above will be followed.*

Once all the remaining items have been dealt with the Mayor will close the meeting.

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For further details and general enquiries about this meeting contact Mark Wall, (01273 291006, email mark.wall@brighton-hove.gov.uk) or email democratic.services@brighton-hove.gov.uk.

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