

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL
HOUSING & NEW HOMES COMMITTEE

4.00pm 26 SEPTEMBER 2018

COUNCIL CHAMBER - BRIGHTON TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Present: Councillor Meadows (Chair) Councillor Hill (Deputy Chair), Councillor Mears (Opposition Spokesperson), Councillor Gibson (Group Spokesperson), Councillors Atkinson, Barnett, Cattell, Drutt, Lewry and Miller

PART ONE

31 PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

31a) Declarations of Substitutes

31.1 Councillor Miller substituted for Councillor Bell.

31b) Declarations of Interests

31.2 There were no declarations of interests.

31c) Exclusion of the Press and Public

31.3 In accordance with section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, it was considered whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of any items contained in the agenda, having regard to the nature of the business to be transacted and the nature of the proceedings and the likelihood as to whether, if members of the press and public were present, there would be disclosure to them of confidential or exempt information as defined in section 100I (1) of the said Act.

31.4 **RESOLVED** - That the press and public not be excluded from the meeting during consideration any items on the agenda.

32 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

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Petitions

32.1 There were no petitions.

Questions

32.2 ? asked the following question:

Title

“ ?”

32.3 The Chair replied as follows:

“Bold.”

32.4 ? sked the following supplementary question:

“ .”

32.5 The Executive Director for Neighbourhoods, Communities & Housing explained that.

32.6 **RESOLVED-** That the Public question be noted.

32.7 ? asked the following question:

Title

“ ?”

32.8 The Chair replied as follows:

“ .”

32.9 ? sked the following supplementary question:

“ .”

32.10 The Executive Director for Neighbourhoods, Communities & Housing explained that.

32.11 **RESOLVED-** That the Public question be noted.

32.12 ? asked the following question:

Title

“ ?”

32.13 The Chair replied as follows:

“ .”

32.14 ? sked the following supplementary question:

“ .”

32.15 The Executive Director for Neighbourhoods, Communities & Housing explained that.

32.16 **RESOLVED-** That the Public question be noted.

32.17 ? asked the following question:

Title

“ ?”

32.18 The Chair replied as follows:

“ ”

32.19 ? sked the following supplementary question:

“ ”

32.20 The Executive Director for Neighbourhoods, Communities & Housing explained that.

32.21 **RESOLVED-** That the Public question be noted.

32.22 ?asked the following question:

Title

“ ?”

32.23 The Chair replied as follows:

“ ”

32.24 ? sked the following supplementary question:

“ ”

32.25 The Executive Director for Neighbourhoods, Communities & Housing explained that.

32.26 **RESOLVED-** That the Public question be noted.

Deputations

32.27 The Committee considered the following deputation which had been submitted by .

Deputation - Title

“set out deputation”

32.28 The Chair responded as follows:

“ ”

32.29 **RESOLVED:-**

(1) That the deputation be noted.

32.30 The Committee considered the following deputation which had been submitted by .

Title

“set out deputation.

”

32.31 The Chair responded as follows:

“ .”

32.32 RESOLVED

(1) That the deputation be noted.

33 THE FUTURE DELIVERY OF RESPONSIVE REPAIRS AND EMPTY PROPERTY REFURBISHMENTS, PLANNED MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMMES AND MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS TO COUNCIL HOUSING STOCK

33.1 The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Communities & Housing which set out the recommendations for the future delivery of responsive repairs and empty property refurbishments, planned maintenance and improvement programmes and major capital projects to council housing stock following the expiry of the current contractual arrangements in March 2020. The report was presented by the Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Communities & Housing accompanied by the Head of Housing Strategy, Property and Investment and Lucas Critchley, Managing Director, Mears Group. Or the report was presented by the Head of Housing Strategy, Property and Investment, the Business & Performance Manager, and the Business and Performance Project Manager.

33.2 RESOLVED:-

That Housing & New Homes Committee recommends to Policy, Resources & Growth Committee that it:

Customer service and quality assurance

- (1) Agrees that the customer service and quality assurance services are brought in-house and delivered by the council following the expiry of the current contractual arrangements;

Responsive repairs and empty property refurbishments

- (2) Agrees that responsive repairs and empty property refurbishments works to council housing stock are brought in-house and delivered by the council following the expiry of the current contractual arrangements;
- (3) Approves a 'set-up and mobilisation' budget of £0.112m for 2018/19 funded by an in-year virement transferring this budget from the capital financing costs budget in the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and the creation of an earmarked 'set up and mobilisation' reserve of £0.982m for use in 2019/20 funded from HRA general reserves;

Planned maintenance and improvement programmes

- (4) Approves the procurement of at least one contract for the provision of planned maintenance and improvement programmes to council housing stock with a term of five years with the option to extend for up to a further two years;

Major capital projects

- (5) Approves the procurement of a multi- contractor framework agreement for major capital projects with a term of four years;

Specialist works

- (6) Notes that the specialist works will continue to be delivered through individual contracts, with reports coming back to committee for authority to procure and award such contracts if required in accordance with the council's Constitution;

Delegation

- (7) Grants delegated authority to the Executive Director Neighbourhoods, Communities & Housing to:
 - (i) commence the procurements and award the contracts required to implement the recommendations;
 - (ii) use the 'set-up and mobilisation' budget to create and appoint to new roles to enable these recommendations to be delivered;
 - (iii) award call-off contracts under the major capital projects framework agreement; and
 - (iv) take any other steps necessary to implement the recommendations in this report.

The meeting concluded at 6.06pm

Signed

Chair

Dated this

day of