

**DRAFT EXTRACT FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON THE 20 OCTOBER 2009**

**OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMISSION**

**4.00PM 20 OCTOBER 2009**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Present:** Councillors Mitchell (Chairman); Bennett, Elgood, Meadows, Morgan, Older, Peltzer Dunn, Randall, Wakefield-Jarrett, Cobb and Hyde

**43 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK CORE STRATEGY SUBMISSION VERSION**

- 43.1 The Assistant Director, City Planning and the Local Development Framework Team Manager introduced the report on the Local Development Framework – Brighton & Hove Core Strategy: Submission version. They set out the background to the Strategy, its layout, background studies, timeframes and broadly summarised the consultations that had been completed.
- 43.2 The Core Strategy was due to be debated at 10 December full Council and submitted to the Government in April 2010. This had been a long process and only 11% of local authorities have their Core Strategies in place.
- 43.3 The Commission commented on: Sustainable Neighbourhoods in relation to the future expansion of universities; health and equalities impact assessment produced by a consultant, local food production; air pollution levels in the Academic Corridor; development of the urban fringe only as a last resort, adaptation to climate change and Brighton Marina site.
- 43.4 Working with developers on Section 106 agreements to achieve sustainability objectives during the recession, was also discussed as a possible area for further scrutiny consideration.
- 43.5 Asked about student housing, the Head of Planning Strategy said that the detail of the type of development that would go on individual sites would be considered at the next stage, the sites allocation document. It was possible that the proposed Universities Supplementary Planning Guidance would also cover the student housing issue.
- 43.6 A full list of all the issues considered in each of the policy areas would be available in November. The results of consultation on the 2008 revised preferred options and 2009 consultation comments and responses would be brought together into a single document.
- 43.7 Paper copies of summary of findings and responses would be provided. The full version would be available on the Council's website and a full paper copy would be placed in City Direct. The Health and Equalities Impact assessments

would be presented to Cabinet and Council for information.

43.8 Members did not feel that the Commission was in a position to agree all the recommendations and that the Core Strategy was legally compliant and formally sound.

43.9 **RESOLVED** – that the report be noted.