| SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS | SHP STUDENT HOUSING STRATEGY ACTION PLAN |
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| Recommendation 1 - The panel recommends that the Cabinet Member for Environment extends the council-run Noise Patrol to operate over more nights of the week, probably Wednesday and Thursday, and to extend the existing weekend operating hours, (page 28) | 3.1.12, 3.1.13, 3.1.14 |
| Recommendation 2 - The panel recommends that there should be increased publicity to advise residents that they can report a noise nuisance problem retrospectively; this could be included in City News, on the council's website and perhaps in leaflets in public offices.(page 29) | 3.1.15 |
| Recommendation 3 - The panel recommends that the Out of Hours emergency noise patrol service should be properly resourced and properly publicised, (page 29) | 3.1.15 |
| Recommendation 4 - the panel recommends that the Cabinet Member for Environment resources a 24 hour telephone line for the public to report non-emergency noise and antisocial behaviour, (page 29) | 3.1.14 |
| Recommendation 5 - the panel recommends that the Environmental Health and Licensing Team reviews its noise nuisance procedures in order to assess whether the noise nuisance diary sheets are always the most effective and user-friendly way of addressing noise complaints, (page 29) | 3.1.14 |
| Recommendation 6 - the panel would like to see the SShh campaign developed by Students' Unions and publicised widely in conjunction with community association representatives and ward councillors. This should be an ongoing annual campaign due to the turnover of students. (page 30) | 3.1.13 |
| Recommendation 7 - the panel recommends that the universities, the Police and the Student Union work together to find ways to jointly address the issue of street noise nuisance in residential areas, caused by groups of students returning from nights out. (page 30) | 3.1.13 |

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| Recommendation 8 - the panel recommends that the University of Brighton considers whether there is a more suitable outside space that might be used, and that measures are put in place to address noise from smokers and other students gathering on the Podium at the Southover Street Phoenix Halls, (page 30) | 3.3.6 |
| Recommendation 9 - The panel would recommend that the University of Brighton considers introducing a policy asking students on the Phoenix Halls site to close their windows before playing music at night, in order to minimize noise nuisance for neighbours. The panel would also ask that clearer, more visible signage is installed across the Phoenix Halls site asking that noise is kept to a minimum after 11pm. (page 30) | 3.3.7 |
| Recommendation 10 - the panel would like to suggest that the University of Brighton considers the staffing resources that might be needed to provide an effective way of managing and minimising the noise nuisance and how its premises in residential areas are controlled, (page 31) | 3.3.7 |
| Recommendation 11 - the panel recommends that the University of Brighton considers planting trees and bushes on the Phoenix Halls site, in order to assess whether this would help to mask any noise. The panel would like to suggest that the university talks to local residents about their experiences after a trial period, (page 31). | 3.2.3 |
| Recommendation 12 - the panel would like to ask that the universities and developers have regard to possible noise impact on neighbours and the particular architectural nature of the area in which they will be built when they are being designed, especially in relation to the provision of smoking areas for residents. The panel also recommends that this suggestion is formalized in any relevant planning documents relating to student accommodation, (page 31) | 3.2.3 |
| Recommendation 13 - the panel recommends that the University of Sussex considers following the good practice established by the University of Brighton and establishes a role of a dedicated Community Liaison Officer for the University of Sussex. The two officers could work together to address shared student problems across Brighton and Hove, (page 32) | 3.1.14 |
| Recommendation 14 – the panel recommends that CityClean issues wheeled bin stickers giving information about collection days so that all households know when to put their refuse out. It is recommended that this would be an alternative to the magnets that are currently issued, (page 33) | 3.1.16(1) |

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| Recommendation 15 - the panel recommends that for those areas of the city that do not currently have council-issued wheeled bins, CityClean should erect additional notices on lamp-posts advising residents of their collection day. (page 34) | 3.1.16(1) |
| Recommendation 16 - the panel recommends that CityClean places the information stickers for their recycling boxes in order that they can be stuck to the box rather than on the lid, as the lids tend to blow away, (page 34) | 3.1.16(1) |
| Recommendation 17 - the panel recommends that CityClean advertises information about changes in collection dates for refuse and recycling in both of the universities' newspapers and on the universities' websites, in addition to the usual council publication locations. (page 35) | 3.1.16(1) |
| Recommendation 18 - the panel recommends that the Cabinet Member for Environment considers the issue of how to tackle the problem of bulky waste being fly tipped by student households, both throughout term-time and at the end of term. The panel recommends that the Cabinet Member gives the suggestions made in the body of the report due consideration, (page 36) | 3.1.16(3) |
| Recommendation 19- the panel suggests that the universities organise termly clean up days in conjunction with their student unions, (page 36) | 3.1.16(3) |
| Recommendation 20 - the panel recommend that the universities include information in their prospectuses and accommodation guides about the range of public transport and Car Clubs in the city and that they explicitly recommend that students do not bring cars with them, (page 37) | 3.1.17 |
| Recommendation 21- Students should be treated on the same basis as non-students when it comes to the issue of residents' parking permits, (page 37) | 3.1.17 |
| Recommendation 22 - the panel would encourage Council Tax officers to continue to liaise regularly with the universities in order to establish current and future student numbers, (page 38) | 3.1.1 |
| Recommendation 23 - the panel recommends that the Council Tax service considers the four suggestions made in the body of the report about how to improve levels of registered student household exemptions, (page 39) | 3.1.1 |

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| Recommendation 24 - the panel recommend that the existing Planning Strategy team carries out research into the various planning options available to control the level of student housing, and to consider whether there would be any merit in introducing such controls into Brighton & Hove where this was appropriate for the area. If planning controls were introduced, this would help to ensure balanced and mixed communities across the city. | Requires a national planning response outside the remit of the Strategy. |
| The Planning Strategy Team should also consider the feasibility of adopting a planning condition regarding the need for universities who have planning permission to expand their educational space to provide a commensurate increase in bed spaces. | 3.2.6 |
| The findings should be published as a Supplementary Planning Document, (page 41) | 3.2.6 |
| Recommendation 25 - the panel recommends that the Cabinet Member for Environment lobbies central Government on behalf of Brighton & Hove City Council with regard to the planning Use Classes Order and the associated permitted development rights, (page 41) | Recommendation is for Cabinet Member lobbying. This is outside the remit of the Strategy. |
| Recommendation 26 - the panel recommends that the Cabinet Member for Housing lobbies central Government on behalf of Brighton & Hove City Council to request that student housing is given its own targets with regards to providing accommodation, (page 41) | Recommendation is for Cabinet Member lobbying. This is outside the remit of the Strategy. |
| Recommendation 27 - the panel recommends that the Planning Strategy team recognises the need for student accommodation to be planned and that the team considers positively identifying land suitable for halls of residence in the Local Development Framework. The team could consider the scope for including small numbers of units of student housing amongst major new- build developments (page 42) | 3.2.1, 3.2.7 |

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| Recommendation 28 - the panel would suggest that the universities, working with the students' union consider the potential for offering alternative, affordable accommodation in halls of residence for students with low incomes, (page 43) | 3.2.6, 3.2.7 |
| Recommendation 29 - the panel would suggest that the universities consider whether there is scope to expand the offer of rooms in halls of residence, not only to first year students but also to those second and third years who would like to live there, (page 43) | 3.2.6 |
| Recommendation 30 - the panel would suggest to the universities that they explore the possibilities of expanding their portfolio of directly managed properties over the long term, in order to increase the range of options available to student tenants, (page 44) | 3.1.5 |
| Recommendation 31 - the panel recommends that the Private Sector Housing Team discuss the potential benefits of extending the landlord accreditation scheme in relation to student accommodation, which does not fit into the existing Houses of Multiple Occupation accreditation scheme, with representatives from Brighton and Hove's landlord associations and other parties, (page 46) | 3.1.7 |
| Recommendation 32 - the panel recommends that the Empty Properties Team works proactively with student landlords and managing agents to ensure that student properties that are unoccupied can be reused for social housing, (page 46) | 3.1.6 |
| Recommendation 33 - the panel recommends that a Student Working Group is formed, comprising of both of the universities and local colleges, the council, police, residents representing Residents' Associations, the students' unions, ward councillors, representatives for landlords and community liaison staff or staff from the accommodation teams. This would facilitate ongoing and improved communication and liaison between the partners. | INTRO |
| The Group should consider the operational issues caused by the impact of students living in the city and discuss ways of addressing possible solutions where necessary. The Group should also coordinate a shared database of sanctions that the partners already have. (page 48) | INTRO |

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| Recommendation 34 - the panel recommends the immediate benefits of a shared information pack for all partners in the city to issue to students and that the Student Working Group could implement this as one of their first actions, (page 49) | 3.1.8 |
| Recommendation 35 - the panel recommends that the Student Working Group considers the benefits of carrying out a 'Neighbourhood Health Impact Assessment' or a cumulative impact study. | 3.1.1 |
| Recommendation 36 - the panel would recommend that the universities continue to encourage students to take part in volunteering opportunities in the residential areas in the city where there is a significant student population in order to foster improved community relations. The ward councillors and community association should become involved in helping to prioritise tasks (page 50) | 3.1.18 |
| Recommendation 37 - the panel would encourage students, via their Students' Unions, to attend their Local Action Team meetings and to play an active part in the community. (p50) | 3.1.18 |