CABINET	Agenda Item Brighton & Hove City Council

EXTRACT FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON THE 12 NOVEMBER 2009

CABINET

4.00PM 12 NOVEMBER 2009

COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Present: Mears (Chairman), Brown, Caulfield, Fallon-Khan, Kemble, K Norman, Simson, Smith, G Theobald and Young

113 Response to the report of the Adult Social Care & Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee on 'Students in the Community'

113.1 The Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Adult Social Care & Housing responding to the report of the Adult Social Care and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the impact of students on the city of the Brighton and Hove and its residents (for copy see minute book).

113.2 The Chairman explained that the Strategic Housing Partnership (SHP) had begun a significant piece of work into some of same issues prior to the publication of the scrutiny report. She thanked the universities for engaging with the SHP on taking the issues forward.

113.3 Councillor Caulfield stated that the majority of the recommendations in the scrutiny report had been directed toward environment functions; however, those relating to housing were addressed in the new Housing Strategy for consideration later on the agenda.

113.4 Councillor Theobald thanked the scrutiny panel members for their recommendations and reported that many were already being implemented by officers.

113.5 Councillor Meadows, Chairman of the scrutiny panel, recapped the remit of the panel and the recommendations made in the final report. She was disappointed that the Cabinet report had not detailed which of the scrutiny recommendations the Council would be implementing and felt the Council should support the scrutiny process and explain which recommendations it would take forward and the reasons why others would not be implemented.

113.6 Opposition Members echoed Councillor Meadows' comments and Councillor Randall emphasised the need for a timetable for proposed actions.

113.7 The Chairman explained that many of the recommendations were already being implemented and those that had budget implications were being considered. She added that she was happy to provide opposition councillors with more detailed information on progress against each recommendation.

113.8 **RESOLVED** - That, having considered the information and the reasons set out in the report, the Cabinet accepted the following recommendations:

(1) That the scrutiny recommendations on 'Students in the Community' be noted.

(2) That it be noted that, where appropriate, scrutiny recommendations have been encompassed in the Student Housing Strategy.