Brighton and Hove City Council

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 89Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Charles Kingston Gardens Lease Acquisition

Date of Meeting: 1 December 2022

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Wards Affected: All Wards

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

Action Required of Policy & Resources Committee:

Recommendations:

That Policy & Resources Committee:

- 1. That Policy & Resources Committee delegate authority to Executive Director Housing, Neighbourhoods & Communities to accept a surrender of the long lease on Charles Kingston Gardens from Clarion Housing Association Limited, to use as seniors housing subject to all further enquiries to be carried out proving satisfactory.
- 2. Approve that the Council makes an offer of up to the agreed sum and approves a budget line in the 2022/23 HRA Capital Programme detailed in the Part 2 report.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE

4.00pm 16 November 2022

MINUTES

Present: Councillors: Gibson (Joint Chair), Hugh-Jones (Joint Chair), Williams (Opposition Spokesperson), Meadows, Osborne, Phillips and Powell.

Substitutes: Councillor Allcock for Councillor Fowler, Councillor Barnett for Councillor Mears, and Councillor Grimshaw for Councillor Mcintosh.

Apologies: Councillors Mears, Mcintosh and Fowler

PART ONE

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42.1 The Assistant Director Housing Management introduced the report to the committee.

Answers to Committee Member Questions

- 42.2 Councillor Williams was informed that rents for the existing tenants would be lower, and the service charges would be higher.
- 42.3 Councillor Meadows was informed that with regarding to phasing in service charges these were the subject of a consultation and residents will be offered the full services and those requiring support will receive it. The council are consulting on a services scheme. Support will be given to tenants from day one, and if the consultation is successful the services will be utilised straight away.
- 42.4 Councillor Gibson considered the report to be positive, the phasing in of service charges to be a good idea and asked that the project be got on with quickly.

Vote

42.5 A vote was taken, and the committee agreed the recommendations unanimously.

RESOLVED:

2.1 Housing Committee recommends that Policy & Resources Committee delegate authority to Executive Director Housing, Neighbourhoods & Communities to accept a surrender of the long lease on Charles Kingston Gardens from Clarion Housing Association Limited to

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- use as seniors housing, subject to all further enquiries to be carried out proving satisfactory.
- 2.2 That Housing Committee recommends to Policy & Resources Committee that the Council makes an offer of up to the agreed sum and approves a budget line to be included in the 2022/23 HRA Capital Programme detailed in the Part 2 report.

That Policy & Resources Committee:

- 2.3 That Policy & Resources Committee delegate authority to Executive Director Housing, Neighbourhoods & Communities to accept a surrender of the long lease on Charles Kingston Gardens from Clarion Housing Association Limited, to use as seniors housing subject to all further enquiries to be carried out proving satisfactory.
- 2.4 Approve that the Council makes an offer of up to the agreed sum and approves a budget line in the 2022/23 HRA Capital Programme detailed in the Part 2 report.