

Brighton & Hove City Council

Council

Agenda Item 63

Subject: Petition for Debate

Date of meeting: 30 January 2025

Report of: Director of Governance & Law

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Ward(s) affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 Under the Council's Petition Scheme if a petition contains more than 1,250 signatures and is not petition requesting officer evidence, it will be debated by the Full Council.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That the petition is noted.

3. RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION / CHRONOLOGY OF KEY EVENTS:

- 3.1 To receive the following petition signed by over 1250 people at time of publication:

City Plan Consultation

Dear members of the Council,

As an Alliance, we are always keen to help where we can. We are grateful for the meetings we've had with some of you so far (particularly Cllrs Sankey, Williams, Taylor, Loughran, and Allen).

We are asking that you consider our contributions when re-shaping the City Plan - our city's plan - and, specifically, that you ensure that key sections are devoted to specifying how 'affordability' can take into account 'local income' measures, to specifying how key workers will be supported, and to specifying how developments will honour the need to nurture a sense of belonging and community.

*We look forward to working with you to make our city one where people can thrive.
Brighton & Hove Citizens*

4. PROCEDURE:

- 4.1 The petition will be debated at the Council meeting in accordance with the agreed protocol:

- (i) The Lead petitioner will be invited by the Mayor to present the petition and will have up to 3 minutes in which to outline the petition and confirm the number of signatures;
- (ii) The Mayor will then open the matter up for debate by councillors for period of 15 minutes and will first call on the relevant Cabinet Member to respond to the petition and move a proposed response. The Mayor will then call on those councillors who have indicated a desire to speak in the matter, before calling on the relevant Cabinet Member to respond to the debate;
- (iii) An amendment to the recommendation in paragraph 2.1 of the report or to add additional recommendations should be submitted by 10.00am on the day before the meeting; otherwise it will be subject to the Mayor's discretion as to being appropriate. Any such amendment will need to be formally moved and seconded at the meeting;
- (iv) After the 15 minutes set aside for the debate, the Mayor will then formally put:
- (v) (a) Any amendments in the order in which they are moved, and
(b) The substantive recommendation(s) as amended (if amended).