Antisocial behaviour in social housing Task & Finish Group, recommended terms of reference (draft)

1. Purpose

1.1. The purpose of the Antisocial behaviour in social housing Task & Finish Group is to scrutinise the impact of antisocial behaviour on residents and communities within local social housing. The group will develop a report with recommendations to improve further knowledge of the local issues that will be presented to the People Overview & Scrutiny Committee for agreement. People Overview & Scrutiny Committee will further refer the Task & Finish Group report to Cabinet and/or partners for consideration.

2. Status

2.1. The Task & Finish Group is an informal group that will report to the People Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

3. Areas of focus

- 3.1. The report will focus on the following areas:
 - To better understand the level of antisocial behaviour in social housing within Brighton and Hove, including its comparison with other areas.
 - To better understand the impact of antisocial behaviour on the lives of residents and the wider community.
 - To better understand current policies and procedures used by BHCC and local Housing Associations in dealing with antisocial behaviour.
 - To explore other policies and procedures that are used by other local authorities and Housing Associations that achieve fewer incidents of antisocial behaviour and/or better outcomes in dealing with these incidents.

4. Scope

4.1. To produce a report on the impact of antisocial behaviour in social housing in Brighton & Hove, including policy options to improve the frequency and outcomes of antisocial behaviour reports.

5. Membership

- 5.1. Voting Members: Groups will be offered membership as follows: 3 Labour, 1 Green, 1 Conservative, 1 BH Ind or Independent member.
- 5.2. Non-voting members: Anyone with an interest in this issue may be co-opted on to the TFG.
- 5.3. Any non-executive member may sit on a Task & Finish Group.

6. Meetings

- 6.1. Meetings will be chaired by the Chair of the People Overview & Scrutiny Committee who will be responsible for convening meetings of the Task & Finish Group.
- 6.2. The Group will meet on a basis to be determined by Group members.

7. Timeline

7.1. The Task & Finish Group report on antisocial behaviour in social housing will be presented to the People Overview & Scrutiny Committee at its January 2026 meeting.