

Brighton & Hove City Council

Cabinet

Agenda Item 180(a)

Subject: Member Questions

Date of meeting: 14 May 2026

A maximum period of fifteen minutes in total shall be made available at each meeting of the Executive for questions from Members of the Council.

The questions included on the list of questions referred to above shall be taken as read at the Cabinet meeting. The question will be answered either orally or at the discretion of the Chair by a written answer circulated after the meeting. Officers may assist the Leader or a Cabinet Member with technical answers to questions. No supplementary questions shall be permitted.

The following written questions have been received from Members:

17. Councillor Shanks – Update on Housing Management of Brickfields Development

In January Cabinet we were told that an independent valuation will be sought and this risk is considered unlikely but would have a significant impact. If the council's costs cannot be covered then Alternative Option 1: council acts as landlord and procures an external managing agent will be explored instead. Whilst the total development costs have not been met the received offer will achieve the best consideration that can reasonably be obtained when generating the capital receipt for the property .

Why has cabinet changed its mind? The proposed provider is the only one who is prepared to take this on so why not look again at the council running the provision. 125 years is a very long time.

