

MAJOR PROJECTS & REGENERATION TEAM

PROJECT UPDATE – January 2013



Team Objectives:

The Major Projects & Regeneration Team manages, together with public and private sector partners, the implementation of key regeneration and infrastructure projects that support the city's economic growth and contribute to the transformation of the city for all, including the development of key employment sites. Successful delivery of these major projects provides new business space and employment opportunities, new homes, and community and leisure facilities. Development can also act as a regenerative catalyst encouraging further investment in the city.

Each of our projects contributes towards a vision of shaping the city by developing and sustaining the economy, preserving and promoting our heritage, growing our cultural offer and improving the quality of life for our residents, visitors and businesses. All projects consider the importance of good urban design and public realm, and also ensure that new development has the minimum possible environmental impact. Generally the projects do not receive direct capital investment from the city council and are dependent upon development partners providing external investment.

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<p>Black Rock</p> <p>New procurement exercise to start in 2013 following research and feasibility work with the Project Board to agree procurement route and overarching objectives.</p> <p><u>Temporary Uses to be procured immediately</u> for a Leisure use for a minimum 3 year term.</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Katharine Pearce (permanent procurement)</p> <p>Toni Manuel/ Adam Bates</p>	<p>Policy & Resources Committee on 12 July 2012 agreed with the recommendation of the Black Rock Project Board to end the legal agreement with the previous developer of the Black Rock Site (Brighton International Arena Ltd).</p> <p>The cross party Black Rock Project Board will have a role in evaluating proposals and making a recommendation to EDCC and Policy & Resources Committee regarding future long term proposals.</p>	<p>The final longer term objectives for this site will be considered in the context of their full financial, economic, social and environmental impact.</p> <p>A formal evaluation process will be conducted and the criteria for evaluating bids will be agreed in advance with the Black Rock Project Board.</p>	<p>Cross party Project Board set up: April 2012.</p> <p>Temporary uses taken to Project Board: 4th October 2012.</p> <p>EDCC approval to negotiate terms for temporary 3 year term for Sand Sculpture proposal [terms currently in final stages of negotiation and led by seafront team].</p> <p>Project Board in Spring 2013 will meet to take forward permanent Development Brief for site following options appraisal process.</p>
<p>Brighton Centre</p> <p>Options are being considered to review the future of the Convention Centre which include: Retaining plans to progress a new-build centre if a fully funded scheme can be achieved within the next few months OR a refurbishment of the current centre. The new build option would provide a new 24,500sqm Centre to be</p>	<p><i>Directors:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Katharine Pearce</p>	<p>A mixed use development with capacity to utilise land holdings from Standard Life Investments to create over 1,000 jobs in the City. Extensive feasibility studies in terms of specification, design, financial viability and cost of a new Conference facility have been undertaken but a large long term funding gap remains. Recent discussion with Standard Life has shown they remain interested in finding a resolution and the council continues to maintain a dialogue about options, e.g. exploring a revised specification for the convention centre.</p>	<p>Capital Value: £350–400m</p> <p>Lifetime Value of whole new build development to Local Economy: £3.5 billion.</p> <p>Total Net Additional Jobs with new build centre and expanded retail: 1,462 [estimate for concept scheme agreed in 2008].</p> <p>This project has significant implications for Business Rate income but the Impacts and Outputs of a full refurbishment option versus a new build option will be reported to Committee</p>	<p>Condition Survey - Summer 2012</p> <p>Review of options internally - Autumn/Winter 2012.</p> <p>Ongoing discussion with Standard Life: January-March 2013 re new build opportunity</p> <p>Options reported to EDCC and/or Policy & Resources Committee – Summer 2013.</p>

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delivered as part of an integrated redevelopment of the area to the south of Churchill Square incorporating an expanded shopping centre, cinema and parking.		Recent improvement works have assisted in maintaining and improving the diary for the existing centre but the council is now involved in a more comprehensive review of the present building as a whole to explore the full costs and implications of a wider long term full refurbishment if the new build scenario is finally found to be unviable.	once the current feasibility work, costings and wider impacts have been assessed and worked through to some level of conclusion. Paramount is achieving financial viability for one of the two main options.	
<p>Circus Street</p> <p>The proposal for the site, dubbed 'Grow Brighton' is to build a high-quality sustainable mixed use development providing a new university library and teaching space for the University of Brighton; employment space, from corporate office down to move on space and managed workspace for the creative industries; residential units, student accommodation, ancillary retail and a state of the art dance studio for South East Dance.</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Max Woodford</p>	<p>The city council has now signed a refreshed development agreement with the developers, The Cathedral Group, and the University of Brighton. This development agreement is in line with the Heads of Terms agreed at Cabinet earlier in the year and should now unlock the development potential of the site.</p> <p>Cathedral Group has announced ShedKM as the architects they are using to bring this project forward to completion.</p> <p>All partners are also now exploring the options around the interim use of the site in more detail, with a planning application submitted to refresh the previous short-term consents for interim uses.</p>	<p>This scheme will deliver the following uses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Library and teaching space for the University of Brighton and Student Accommodation (c.400 bed residences) as part of an improved educational quarter • Dance Studio and Creative Space for the city • Corporate Offices • Strata Offices • Retail • Residential: c.160 -200 units (depending upon final mix) • Creative Industries Market <p>The headline economic benefits include 140 FTE (full time equivalent) construction jobs and 170 FTE jobs generated by the completed development, and an economic impact in the city economy of £153m over ten years. The qualitative benefits include the fact that student housing will relieve</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 2012: Start detailed design. • May-June 2013: Submit planning application.

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			<p>pressure on the private rented sector; there will be more, affordable, homes; the dance studio provides a focus for dance in the city; it will further integrate the university into the heart of the city and will bring enterprise to creativity through, for example, the creative industries market. There are also physical and townscape improvements linked to the public event square and permeability of the site, replacing the existing derelict market building.</p> <p>The inclusion of the creative space and dance studio within the scheme will contribute to its long term success in terms of the vibrancy of the area. It will diversify the usage of the site in terms of the range of users and the timings of usage. This will help stop the site becoming an island site and connect it into the other sites with cultural facilities in the city, close to the cultural quarter.</p>	
<p>Edward Street/American Express</p> <p>A development of the land to the north of Amex House to build the new headquarters building for American Express.</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Max Woodford</p>	<p>Amex have now completed the building works of the new HQ and data building and are beginning the process of moving staff in.</p> <p>The city council is working with Amex and their architects on the preparation of a design brief for the phase 2 site that will be left when</p>	<p>Retention of the city's largest private sector employer, and making Brighton the focus for future Amex European job growth.</p> <p>£140m investment in the new building.</p> <p>36,000sqm of new office</p>	<p>Amex have until 2016 at the very latest to vacate and demolish the old Amex House.</p> <p>Early 2013: Public consultation on Planning Brief for phase 2 works.</p>

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<p>The current development forms the first phase of a masterplan that will in the future take in new development on the site of the old Amex House.</p> <p>American Express has identified the skills and education of the labour pool in Brighton as being well suited to their needs. In particular, the language skills offered by the workforce here make it a site suitable for a global operation.</p>		<p>the old Amex House is demolished (by 2016).</p>	<p>floorspace.</p> <p>Retention of 3,000 jobs in the city.</p> <p>The s106 includes payment to the nearby Carlton Hill school of £300k for playground improvements (planning approved for a new playground scheme) and a £100k replacement boiler for improved environmental performance (now installed).</p> <p>Potential future phase 2 unlocked by planned demolition of existing Amex House to provide further office, residential and commercial uses.</p>	
<p>Historic Records Office & Resource Centre ('The Keep')</p> <p>The Keep is a major partnership project between East Sussex County Council, Brighton & Hove City Council and the University of Sussex that will deliver a new state-of-the-art historical resource centre.</p> <p>It will be a vibrant community resource opening up access to the partners' collections in a one-stop shop for all</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Adam Bates</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Mark Jago</p>	<p>BHCC has been engaged in the project since 2007; becoming a full partner in April 2008.</p> <p>Planning permission was granted in January 2011, with work on site starting in August 2011. Building works continue to go well and have progressed broadly in line with programme, now at week 72 of 93, and the project remains within budget. The Topping Out ceremony was held on 1 October 2012.</p> <p>External works are at an advanced stage with the main focus of activity being progression of the internal decorations and fit out. 1st</p>	<p>This £19m project will provide a new purpose-built facility that will bring together the combined collections of all three partners; the archives and historical resources of East Sussex and Brighton & Hove, and the special collections of the University of Sussex, including the Mass Observation Archive.</p> <p>It will house over six miles of material dating back over 900 years and will have capacity for growth over the next 20 years.</p> <p>The new facility will meet the required standards for the storage and preservation of historical archives and will be the most</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership and lease arrangements to be concluded - January 2013 • Construction work completed – January 2013 • Acclimatisation and Proving Period – Feb to May 2013 • Long-term management and governance arrangements agreed by Project Board – Feb 2013 • Practical Completion - May 2013 • Partners move in – June to October 2013 • Open to public – November 2013.

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<p>aspects of the historic environment, and will enable people to research their local and family history.</p> <p>The new Centre will represent the next generation of archive buildings in the UK in line with the Government's Archives Policy.</p>		<p>floor shelving in the Repository Block is nearing completion and 2nd floor shelving is approximately 50% complete. Works to the People Block are also progressing at pace and the Energy Centre envelope is nearing its final stages.</p> <p>Good progress has been made towards discharge of planning conditions and there is currently no indication of any problems in this area. The Keep is on track to achieve BREEAM Excellent with a projected overall score of 78.74% and an 86.96% score in Energy and 100% in Water.</p> <p>With partner agreement, and following variation of the S106 Agreement, a new Community Orchard has been planted at the southern end of the site; an initiative lead by Moulsecoomb Forest Garden, Brighton Permaculture Trust and Brighton & Hove Food Partnership.</p>	<p>sustainable archive building of its type in the country; a considerable achievement since the nature of the building requires tight environmental controls and its location has posed challenges. Sustainability measures have been at the heart of the project from the outset and have been a priority in the design of the building.</p> <p>It incorporates a biomass boiler using sustainable and locally sourced wood chips, photo-voltaics on the plant room roof, a 'green roof' on the People Block, rainwater harvesting, solar water heating, and heat recovery in the air conditioning system.</p> <p>It will provide much improved public access and services, with new education and learning spaces, and provide opportunities for outreach and community work.</p>	
<p>i360</p> <p>The construction of a 175m high observation tower will offer visitors views for 25 miles along the south coast. A visitor centre, restaurant and exhibition space on the site of the root end of the West Pier</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Katharine Pearce</p>	<p>Policy & Resources Committee approved funding proposals on 12 July 2012 and final funding has now been secured for the project with the Council acting as senior lender. Equity funds of £28m will be provided and also funds of £3m from the Local Enterprise Partnership.</p>	<p>600-800,000 visitors a year.</p> <p>154 operational and construction jobs and an estimated 444 jobs overall, taking into account new visitor spend, new businesses in the refurbished arches to the west and general boost to the economy.</p> <p>Once the i360 starts on site the</p>	<p>A detailed construction timetable will be finally confirmed at Financial Close. A short lead in time is required to a start on site which is projected to start in earnest in the New Year.</p> <p>There may be some overlap with Archway Strengthening</p>

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will also form part of the attraction. Refurbishment of the existing West Pier Toll Booths will be included in the design. Wider landscaping will form part of the final regeneration of this section of the seafront.		<p>The council is continuing to work on completion of all Due Diligence and final review of all contract documentation as well as negotiating final terms for the Facilities Agreement with other lenders such as the LEP and Equity Partners.</p> <p>Meetings between representatives of Marks Barfield Architects, the Equity providers, the LEP and the council are ongoing and are progressing steadily towards a conclusion.</p>	West Pier Trust will also proceed with their plans for a new Heritage and Visitor Centre (to be part funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund) to be located to the east of the i360 site. [A bid for funding to the Heritage Lottery Fund has now been made by the West Pier Trust for this element of the project].	<p>works which have already begun (and are due to last for 50 weeks).</p> <p>Completion of i360 is currently targeted for March 2015.</p>
<p>King Alfred</p> <p>To secure the long-term replacement of the outdated sports facilities currently on offer at the King Alfred Leisure Centre. This to include consideration of options for the wider regeneration of the King Alfred site.</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Mark Jago</p>	<p>The need to replace the King Alfred Leisure Centre has been demonstrated by successive analyses going back to 1999 and this remains the case. This recognition was borne out in the findings of the recently completed citywide Sports Facilities Plan (2012 – 22) - the subject of a report to Cabinet on 19 April 2012.</p> <p>Based on the findings of the report, it was agreed that a new cross-party Project Board should be established to lead the process of considering options for the future of the King Alfred Leisure Centre.</p> <p>This work has begun and the Project Board held its first meeting on 27 November 2012.</p>	Provision of modern fit for purpose sports facilities in the west of the city, and redevelopment of this strategically significant site to enhance the seafront and surrounding area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inaugural Project Board meeting – 27 November 2012 • Next Project Board meeting – January 2013

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<p>New England House</p> <p>The proposal is to establish a future vision for New England House as a large scale, high profile and visible managed business centre focused on the digital media and creative industries. The early vision concept is for a consortium of partners including the University of Sussex, Wired Sussex and the city council to agree a clear partnership vision, viable business case and funding package for the development of New England House as a digital media hub.</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Max Woodford</p>	<p>Work is complete on refreshing, updating and drawing together previous survey work to get a better understanding of the condition of the building and the potential costs involved in renewal. This information will help to inform subsequent stages.</p> <p>The next step is to look at risk and governance implications of various options for achieving that refurbishment option, including potentially soft market testing the best methods for leveraging in capital investment.</p> <p>The RECREATE project, which will include a 3,500sq.ft refit of space at New England House to transform it into a creative hub 'Fusebox,' is underway. This space will be managed by Wired Sussex. The project is a cross-border partnership of cities and urban areas from northern France and the south and east coast of England. There will be a strong "virtual" connection between the new workspaces across the project partner areas due to the high-speed broadband links and an internet based multimedia platform. This will enable the development of a new cross-border community of creative entrepreneurs.</p>	<p>A total refurbishment would see an investment of c.£10m.</p> <p>It would ensure the city council is leading on the implementation of regeneration plans for the London Road area.</p>	<p>A position paper will be prepared on the overall project in Winter 2012/13.</p>

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<p>Open Market</p> <p>To redevelop the Open Market to create an exciting mixed use development combining a new modern market offering a diverse retail offer and promoting fresh, healthy food and local producers with affordable housing, arts based workshops and a venue for street art and entertainment. The new market will be operated on a not for profit basis for the benefit of the community and contribute to the wider regeneration of the London Road area.</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Richard Davies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P&R approval in April 2006 to support the Open Market Traders Association (OMTA) to prepare a redevelopment proposal. • December 2008 Cabinet granted landowner consent for the outline proposal submitted by OMTA and development partner Hyde Housing Association along with the draft Heads of Terms and agreed establishing a 'not for profit' Community Interest Company (CIC) to raise loan finance and take on ownership and management of the new market. • Landowner consent under delegated authority approved for RIBA Stage D scheme in February 2010, prior to Hyde submitting a planning application. • Planning permission granted March 2011. • Brighton Open Market CIC formed with members being the council, OMTA, Hyde Housing and Ethical Property Company. • March 2011, Development Agreement completed and entered into by the council, Hyde Housing and Open Market CIC. • Triodos Bank confirmed conditional offer of a £1m mortgage to CIC for contribution towards the construction costs of the new market. Solicitors are now agreeing terms. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New covered market with 44 permanent market stalls surrounding a central market square for temporary stalls, visiting markets and a variety of activities • CIC to operate the market for local benefit • 12 A1/B1 workshops • 87 affordable housing units • £12.5m external capital investment in local infrastructure • Approximately 80 FTE construction jobs • 120 jobs in the new market, workshops and CIC • New opportunities for small business start ups • Venue to promote produce and local producers • Code level 4 for disabled residential units (8 out of a total of 87 units) • Very good thermal performance of building fabric • Photovoltaics, green roofs, green walls and street tree planting included in scheme • Works started on site in October 2011 • Temporary market operational from 9 January 2012 • Temporary market moved to phase 2 new stalls 29 October 2012. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor redevelopment to achieve project aims and a successful outcome. • Continue officer support for management and administration of CIC. • Complete mortgage agreement between CIC and Triodos Bank January 2013. • CIC to agree market management arrangements, March 2013. • New market completed and opened August/September 2013.

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<p>Permanent Traveller Site</p> <p>Project undertaken to manage site selection, delivery of consents and build out of a new permanent traveller site providing 16 permanent pitches for traveller families with local links.</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Max Woodford</p>	<p>Research has established that the city has a need to find space for 16 permanent traveller pitches to meet the accommodation needs of traveller families who have well established local links. A permanent site will offer those travellers resident in the area greater stability, as well as freeing up space at the transit site.</p> <p>It is proposed that the new site will be built wholly using grant funding administered by the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA). Whilst it will meet the specific housing needs of a certain group, in all other respects, the proposed permanent traveller site is no different than other forms of affordable housing. Residents will have to pay rent and council tax for their pitch, as well as cover their own utility bills.</p> <p>Following an exhaustive site selection process, in March 2012 Cabinet approved the selection of Horsdean as the council's preferred location and agreed to issue landlord's consent and for officers to submit a planning application on the site.</p> <p>Pre-application consultation with South Downs National Park</p>	<p>Provision of a target of 16 new permanent pitches providing homes for families.</p> <p>Freeing up of transit provision in the city and so reducing unauthorised encampments.</p> <p>Visual screening to reduce the impact of the existing transit site on the National Park.</p>	<p>Early 2013 – submission of planning application.</p> <p>Late 2013 – Commence work on site.</p>

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		Authority is on-going and informing the design work.		
<p>Preston Barracks</p> <p>Redevelopment of the council owned 2.2 hectare brownfield site to create a mixed use development that will act as a regenerative catalyst for this part of the city.</p> <p>The site, on the main Lewes Road, is an 'urban gateway' to the city from the 'Academic Corridor' (close to Brighton and Sussex Universities). The site is therefore of strategic importance to Brighton & Hove.</p> <p>Since March 2009, the council has been working in partnership with the University of Brighton to explore opportunities for the redevelopment of the former barracks site and adjacent university land spanning the Lewes Road; effectively doubling the development area.</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Mark Jago</p>	<p>A 'Shared Vision' that established the partners' joint aspirations for a high quality comprehensive redevelopment was agreed in September 2009. In 2010 the partners commissioned a Site Capacity Assessment (SCA) to examine development potential and options in respect of scale, height and massing across the wider site. The SCA, completed in October 2010, demonstrated development potential and confirmed that the partners' aspirations could be met across the wider site area.</p> <p>A planning brief was prepared during 2011 and this was approved at the Planning, Employment, Economy & Regeneration CMM on 15 September 2011.</p> <p>In December 2011, the partners jointly commissioned a masterplan. Following a joint tendering process, Hawkins Brown Architects were appointed in February 2012 and commenced work in April 2012.</p> <p>During the past eight months the partners have worked closely with the consultant team to inform and develop the masterplan. This involved a series of technical</p>	<p>High quality, sustainable, employment-led, mixed use development that will act as a regenerative catalyst for this part of the city. The scheme is expected to include a significant amount of employment space, new homes, retail units, a new University Business School and student housing.</p> <p>The scheme will greatly improve the built environment in this part of the city, a key approach to the city centre, and will better integrate with neighbouring residential and business land.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final masterplan submitted – 10 Dec 2012 • Masterplan circulated to Project Board and Officers – Dec 2012 • City council appoints external financial consultants – Dec 2012 • Financial consultants complete work – Jan 2013 • Partner review and agreement to way forward – Jan 2013 • Referral to Project Board for agreement Feb 2013 • Report masterplan, land arrangements and delivery proposals to P&R Committee - March 2013?

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		<p>meetings with council officers (e.g. Housing, Sustainability, Transport, Economic Development) and presentations to Partners Meetings and the Project Board, the most recent of which on 4 October. Considerable progress has been made and the broad principles for land uses and the relationship between uses have been established.</p> <p>Although high level financial viability formed part of the masterplan commission, the city council is keen to gain a fuller understanding of the development costs and land values associated with this comprehensive development proposal. The council is about to appoint specialist consultants to undertake further financial analysis and valuation advice to assist partner decision making.</p> <p>The final masterplan report has been submitted and has been circulated to the Project Board. Once completed, the financial viability work will also be issued to the Board with recommendations for moving forward</p>		
<p>Released Land at Falmer Redevelopment of the former Falmer School land</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Gil Sweetenh am</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Falmer High School land surplus to BACA requirements is available for alternative uses. • Cabinet February 2012 gave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brownfield land brought back into efficient use. • Short term support of TCSL to provide temporary stadium 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council and TSCL to complete licence for temporary use of the site for stadium parking and

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that was not required for the Brighton Aldridge Community Academy (BACA).	<i>Project Mgr:</i> Richard Davies	<p>delegated authority to proceed with a licence for TCSL to use the site for temporary stadium parking and provide a temporary home for the Bridge Community Education Centre.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This delegated authority (to the Strategic Director, Resources in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Members for PEER, Transport & Public Realm, and Finance & Central Services) was given subject to a viable business case and the granting of planning permission. • An urgency decision was taken in accordance with the scheme of delegation to grant a licence to TCSL to commence works not requiring planning permission, effective 6/03/12. Reported to Cabinet on 15 March 2012. • Planning permission granted April 2012 for use of the site for temporary stadium parking, associated works and a temporary home for the Bridge Centre. • The Bridge moved into its new temporary home in May 2012. 	<p>parking.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential capital receipt in the long term. • Potential for new student accommodation and educational facilities combined with stadium parking. • Potential to provide new permanent home for the Bridge Education Centre. 	<p>accommodation for the Bridge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare development brief in consultation with stakeholders to test the market and to achieve the long term regeneration of the site, Winter 2013. • Issue development brief to seek development partner, April 2013. • Continue officer support for Bridge to seek a permanent home.
<p>Amex Community Stadium</p> <p>The construction of a 22,500 capacity stadium for Brighton & Hove Albion Football Club together</p>	<i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw	<p>The main stadium contract completed on 31 May 2011.</p> <p>The first game was played at the new stadium on Sat 16 July 2011.</p>	<p>The new stadium is having a significant impact on the city. It is a landmark building at a key entrance point to the city and provides not only a high quality sporting venue but also a range of</p>	<p>An application for 8,250 additional seats at the stadium was considered at the Planning Committee on 25 April 2012. The Committee was minded to grant</p>

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with supporting infrastructure, 2000m2 of education accommodation and facilities for conferences, meetings and events. The stadium is built on land which is mostly owned by the city council, the remainder being owned by the University of Brighton.		<p>Temporary planning permission granted 22 June 2011 by Lewes DC for parking on adjacent land, part of which is owned by the Council, for 3 years.</p> <p>Terms agreed for parking at Park Wall Farm.</p> <p>Planning permission granted on 25 April 2012 for an additional 8,250 seats.</p>	<p>facilities for conferences, events etc and supports a programme of educational and community provision through Albion in the Community and other education providers.</p> <p>In its hiring policies for operation of the stadium both the Club and their contractors have actively sought local employees. Around 90% of those hired have been from BN postcodes.</p>	<p>planning permission subject to completion of the s106 Planning Obligation and deeds of variation and the conditions and informatives as set out in the report.</p>
<p>Ultrafast Broadband</p> <p>The city council has submitted a bid to DCMS under the second phase of the Super-Connected Cities Programme to roll out delivery of ultrafast broadband and wireless internet across a contiguous area at the heart of the city.</p>	<p><i>Director:</i> Geoff Raw</p> <p><i>Project Mgr:</i> Max Woodford</p>	<p>'Second tier' cities were invited to bid following a process of lobbying by the city's MPs and Members. There is a £50m pot to be bid for by 27 cities.</p> <p><u>It was announced in the Autumn Statement (05/12/12) that Brighton & Hove's bid was successful.</u> DCMS are looking to work further with the successful cities on potentially simplifying projects to be more 'state aid' compliant before confirming the amounts awarded.</p>	<p>Funding requested will provide additional connectivity to 1,225 dwellings and 810 businesses not currently served by ultrafast broadband. This represents an additional 1% of homes and an additional 11% of businesses in the city, taking total residences and businesses passed to 96% and 92% respectively.</p>	<p>Application Submitted: 17th September 2012</p> <p>Date for spending of grant: By April 2014.</p>

