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18 July 2013

Agenda Item 26

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Extract from the Proceedings of the Housing Committee meeting held on the 19 June 2013 – Home Efficiency Update: Procurement of Solar Photovoltaic Arrays for Housing Revenue Account Properties

Date of Meeting: 18 July 2013
19 June 2013 – Housing Committee

Report of: Head of Law

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Wards Affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE***Action Required of Council:***

To receive the item referred from the Housing Committee for information:

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL**HOUSING COMMITTEE****4.00pm 19 JUNE 2013****COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL****MINUTES**

Present: Councillor Randall (Chair), Kennedy (Deputy Chair), Peltzer Dunn (Opposition Spokesperson), Wilson (Group Spokesperson), Barnett, Duncan, Farrow, Fitch, Mears and Rufus.

PART ONE**11. HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY UPDATE: PROCUREMENT OF SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC ARRAYS FOR HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT PROPERTY**

- 11.1 The Committee considered the report of the Executive Director Environment Development and Housing which provided an update on home energy efficiency, and the procurement of solar photovoltaic

arrays for Housing Revenue Account properties. Mr Reid, Head of Housing Strategy, presented the report.

- 11.2 The Chair thanked officers for the report, and noted that the cost of the installation seemed high. The Chair hoped that where possible local companies would be used.
- 11.3 Councillor Peltzer Dunn referred to the recommendations and asked whether the intention was to be a one year contract with an extension thereafter. Mr Reid confirmed that there would be a one year contract with a view to extending it for up to three years. Councillor Peltzer Dunn asked whether after the contract was awarded if any notice had to be given if the intention was to extend. The Chair said the officer who would be able to answer that was not at the meeting, and so a written response would be provided.
- 11.4 Councillor Mears referred to recommendation 2.3 and asked for confirmation that the Executive Director Environment Development and Housing had the authority to award the contract. The Chair confirmed he did.
- 11.5 Councillor Duncan referred to paragraph 4.2 of the report and asked that Leaseholders were consulted.
- 11.6 **RESOLVED:**

That Housing Committee –

- (1) Notes an update of the option appraisal for a large scale installation of Solar PV's to housing stock.
- (2) Approves the procurement of a contract for the supply and installation of Solar Photovoltaic Arrays to HRA owned dwellings for up to 12 months with two extensions of up to 12 months each if required, subject to satisfactory performance of the contractor.
- (3) Grants delegated authority to the Executive Director Environment, Development & Housing, in consultation with Director of Finance & Resources, to award the contract for up to 12 months following the recommendations of the evaluation panel, and approve two extensions to the contract of up to 12 months each if required, subject to satisfactory performance of the contractor.

13. ITEMS REFERRED FOR COUNCIL

- 13.1 It was agreed that the report, Home Energy Efficiency Update: Procurement of Solar Photovoltaic Arrays for Housing Revenue Account Properties be submitted to the Council meeting on 18 July 2013 for information.