



**Brighton & Hove
City Council**

COUNCIL ADDENDUM

4.30PM, THURSDAY, 17 DECEMBER 2020

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WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed for questions submitted by a member of the public who either lives or works in the area of the authority at each ordinary meeting of the Council.

Every question shall be put and answered without discussion, but the person to whom a question has been put may decline to answer. The person who asked the question may ask one relevant supplementary question, which shall be put and answered without discussion.

The following written question has been received from a member of the public.

1. QUESTION From: Nigel Smith

Either myself or another campaigner asks a question about the A259 at every meeting of the full council and ETS.

To date, nobody at B&HCC seems remotely interested in investigating our concerns about dodgy statistics and incompetent consultants nor do they seem concerned about why congestion and pollution are increasing despite a drop in vehicles.

Are we wasting our time?

Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee will reply.

2. QUESTION From: Rob Shepherd

The mandatory 5-year review of the City Plan and its Sustainability Appraisal, lacks a Transport Assessment Update for the Infrastructure Delivery Plan. The last annual monitoring Transport Assessment Update was in 2014.

With the well documented unplanned rise in congestion since 2014, it is very unlikely the City Plan's required housing developments can now be achieved sustainably, which invalidates City Plan Part 2 unless it addresses this.

When will you perform the obligatory Transport Assessment Update and publish it for consultation?

Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee will reply.

3. QUESTION From: Jon Paul McCarthy

Over the last year Saltdean has created a large group of sea swimmers, surfers and SUP. It would be amazing to have a facility for this group on the beach or even just the permission so we can crowdfund the cost of a hut.

There is also plenty of space for at least 50 new huts and chalets in Saltdean with residents ready to purchase and maintain their own huts.

please would the council advise whether new beach huts and chalets will be erected on Saltdean seafront in the near future - either council or privately owned - and if our swim/surf group can get to the top of the waiting list?

Councillor Ebel / Powell, Joint Chair of the Tourism, Equalities, Communities & Culture Committee will reply.

4. QUESTION From: Jim Deans

In 2018 and again in 2019 council all political parties thanked Sussex Homeless Support for the work done supporting Homeless, Rough Sleepers and those suffering poverty. 2020 in the first week of the covid-19 lock down we stepped up while other services closed their doors, from 1 street kitchen to 8 a week, yet council turned down our application for funding , why?

Councillor Gibson / Hugh-Jones, Joint Chair of the Housing Committee will reply.

5. QUESTION From: Keeley Bignal

This question is regarding the proposals to construct 600-700 flats on the site of Brighton Gasworks. Right now, people who live near to gasworks developments elsewhere – which are being developed *by the very same developers proposing to build here in Brighton* - are suffering damage to their health. At Southall in London, residents report asthma, breathing problems, nausea, chest pain, and even cancer and are pursuing legal action. We know that the Brighton gasworks site is contaminated with dangerous toxins including asbestos, lead and benzo(a)pyrene.

Will the Council prioritise the health of its residents over the need for more homes?

Councillor Gibson / Hugh-Jones, Joint Chair of the Housing Committee will reply.

DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting of the Council for the hearing of deputations from members of the public. Each deputation may be heard for a maximum of five minutes following which one Member of the Council, nominated by the Mayor, may speak in response. It shall then be moved by the Mayor and voted on without discussion that the spokesperson for the deputation be thanked for attending and its subject matter noted.

Notification of one Deputation has been received. The spokesperson is entitled to speak for 5 minutes.

(1) Deputation concerning the Council Communication of the Climate and Biodiversity Emergency**Spokesperson – Venetia Carter**

Supported by:
Josie Darling
Sue Goodwin
Carn Hemingway
Tash Fairbanks
Amza Henery
Sarah Gorton
Penny Bay

Ward affected: All

Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee will reply.

(2) Deputation concerning SWEP**Spokesperson – David Thomas**

Supported by:
Barry Hughes
David Croydon
Jim Deans
Daniel Harris
Charles Harrison

Ward affected: All

Councillor Gibson / Hugh-Jones, Joint Chair of the Housing Committee will reply.

Deputation concerning the Council Communication of the Climate and Biodiversity Emergency**Spokesperson – Venetia Carter****Summary**

We are at a time of ecological crisis.

The science is clear that we are in the sixth mass extinction event and that untold human suffering* will result if we fail to act proportionately on the climate and ecological emergency.

It is hard to face these facts and easy to look the other way. But just because we do, the problem will not cease to exist.

Both the natural world and human civilisation depend on a stable climate. The climate crisis is accelerating faster than most scientists predicted and is more severe than anticipated. This threatens global food supplies bringing the threat of global hunger and conflict that will disproportionately harm the most vulnerable. The changes will last many generations.

This Council was one of the first in the UK to declare a climate and biodiversity emergency and did so unanimously. Since then Covid has shown us what an emergency response looks like and how the people are willing and able to change their behaviour for the public good.

Courage to speak of the dangers we are in is needed.

Difficult financial decisions will need to be made to meet the 2030 target set by the Council. However, the act of making clear that we are in an emergency is not expensive. There is nothing on the home page of the council website page to indicate that a climate emergency has been declared. The page that is headed “climate change”, similarly makes no mention of an emergency. The website should be changed to reflect the declaration of emergency.

When there is danger, the alarm must be sounded. How else are we to prepare ourselves?

We appeal to you as representatives of your community to find the courage to face an uncertain future and tell the people of Brighton and Hove the truth so that we can work together to be part of the solution.

*Bioscience Journal, Jan 2020, <https://academic.oup.com/bioscience/article/70/1/8/5610806>

Deputation concerning Homelessness - By Brighton & Hove Housing Coalition Spokesperson – David Thomas

This deputation concerns two groups of homeless people in Brighton & Hove. In this cold winter in the middle of the pandemic, this council has decided that although it has helped these two groups in the past it is now no longer prepared to do so.

SWEP: The Severe Weather Emergency Protocol, or SWEP, is what every local authority has to do to provide shelter to rough sleepers, anyone at all, when the weather is bad. In this city we have generous criteria for opening SWEP. Last year, when it was open, it was announced on the council's website and emails were sent to community groups, and everyone knew that you could go down to the shelter at Brighton Town Hall between 7 and 10pm and get shelter and something to eat, and people could tell the rough sleepers they knew that it was open.

This year there is the pandemic, and so arrangements have to be different to be covid-safe. Despite the "everyone in" programme, there are still many rough sleepers, and more every day – the council estimates 30. But also – and this has nothing to do with any pandemic – it is secret. This year we have Secret SWEP. It is not announced on the website when it is open, we don't know where it is, and the community groups are not being told anything. St Mungo's outreach workers, we are told, will contact the people they know about and tell them. We know this is not reaching everybody. On Monday morning 7th December, when the triggers were met and it was miserably cold, Jim Deans had two men waiting for him at his office in the morning who had used SWEP last year and would have used it this year, but who had no idea it was open. The only reason given for this is that if people knew it was open they might arrive from outside Brighton. That is not good enough, it is a disgrace.

NRPF: In March this year in the first wave of the pandemic the government asked local authorities to "bring everyone in", to offer accommodation to everyone who was homeless. There are some people living here who have "no recourse to public funds", NRPF; they are people with limited leave to remain, or none, who are not normally entitled to help unless they have children or serious care needs. The government said these should be accommodated too, but they wouldn't change the NRPF rules, despite many people including this Council asking them to, so the council had to pay the full cost for this group under their emergency public health powers.

Nevertheless, the city has looked after this group through the pandemic so far, and that was the position when the administration changed from Labour to the Green party. However, in the last few weeks, this council has decided that they will not be helped any more.

Here are two groups of homeless people who need help this cold and wet winter; rough sleepers who St Mungo's can't reach, and people with NRPF who have no other resource. We call on the council to reverse its policies, to let the community know when and where SWEP is open so that we can help people who need it to get shelter, and to make "everyone in" so that it includes absolutely everyone in this City of Sanctuary.

APPENDIX - SWEP

Brighton & Hove has generous opening criteria for SWEP. However, if people don't know about it or can't get to it, that makes no difference.

David Thomas for the Housing Coalition asked a supplementary question at the last Housing Committee on 18th November, as follows:

"Homeless Link national guidance on the operation of SWEP says: 'Simple and effective communication is essential. If SWEP is going to open, **this information needs to be shared quickly and as widely as possible**, for example via the website and social media channels of the local authority and partners' ... In Brighton and Hove we have a large network of concerned community organisations, including our own SHS and many others. In the past information has been put out to and through this network. Will you ensure that information gets out to the community as early as possible in the future?"

The Council response was as follows:

Our street outreach partners St Mungo's are currently working in the city seven days a week to engage with everyone rough sleeping to help support them into safe accommodation.

Some people with complex needs can find it difficult to move from the streets, and we are aware there are around 30 people currently sleeping rough in the city.

When SWEP is triggered, St Mungo's Street Outreach Service will go out seeking the people we know to be rough sleeping during the day to find them self-contained warm accommodation. Anyone not accommodated during the day will be referred into self-contained accommodation in our newly-commissioned council-run SWEP venue by the street outreach service.

For these reasons, we will not be publicly announcing when SWEP is triggered this winter. We have also found the wider publicity has increased the inflow of rough sleepers in to the city from elsewhere, placing greater pressure on the service and restricting our ability to support homeless people with a local connection to Brighton & Hove.

If a member of the public sees someone rough sleeping, please report them via the Streetlink website or by calling 0300 500 0914 and our outreach team will seek to accommodate them.

The Streetlink service promises a response within 48 hours and cannot provide an emergency service. This is Secret SWEP. The reason given (for which there is no evidence; the only study undertaken says that the quality of homeless services is not a significant factor in homeless people coming to Brighton and Hove¹) would prevent any improvement in homeless services whatsoever. It is also in defiance of the national guidance for this year.

The council repeated essentially the same facts in a press release on 10th December.²

¹ "Picture the Change" by Homeless Link/CAIERS, 2015; we can provide a copy to any interested.

² <https://www.theargus.co.uk/news/18933978.brighton-hove-opens-severe-weather-shelter-rough-sleepers/>

CONSERVATIVE GROUP AMENDMENT**NO CONFIDENCE IN BRIGHTON & HOVE COUNCIL**

To add an additional recommendation 2.2 as shown below in ***bold italics***.

Recommendations:

2.1 That the petition is noted; ***and***

2.2 ***That it is further noted that:***

- (i) It has come to light since the writing of the petition that the Green and Labour Groups have been jointly governing Brighton & Hove City Council in accordance with a so-called Memorandum of Understanding since May 2019;***
- (ii) The Leader of the Council was asked to release the Memorandum of Understanding at the last meeting of Full Council for public scrutiny but declined;***
- (iii) The text of this agreement has now been published online after being leaked by an unknown Councillor:
www.brightonandhovenews.org/2020/12/03/greens-and-labours-coalition-deal-revealed/;***
- (iv) Given these facts, the Green and Labour Groups bear joint culpability for the performance of Brighton & Hove City Council; and***
- (v) The reason that the Old Shoreham Road Temporary Cycle Lane is still in place is that both Green and Labour Councillors have voted together keep it in place at three consecutive council meetings where the matter of removal has been raised – including one meeting of Full Council and two meetings of Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee.***

Proposed by: Cllr Peltzer Dunn

Seconded by: Cllr Miller

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LABOUR GROUP AMENDMENT

REDUCE THE COSTS OF SECONDARY SCHOOL UNIFORM
IN BRIGHTON & HOVE

To add an additional recommendation 2.2 as shown below in ***bold italics***.

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2.1 That the petition is noted and referred to the Children, Young People & Skills Committee for consideration;

2.2 That officers prepare a report for the Children, Young People & Skills Committee in March 2021 that:

- ***details the uniform policy and associated costs for a child in each local authority secondary school, voluntary sector secondary school and secondary academy in our city;***
- ***describes the support currently available for any families experiencing economic hardship and struggling to ensure compliance with the uniform policy for their school; and***
- ***provides options to further reduce the financial burden of school uniform requirements on disadvantaged families (to be explored in partnership with school head teachers and governors).***

Proposed by: Cllr Allcock

Seconded by: Cllr Hamilton

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WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

The following questions have been received from Councillors and will be taken as read along with the written answer as detailed below:

(1) Councillor Platts:

Will the Council consider improving the facilities, interior and area around Damson Block, Bowring Way on the Bristol Estate in East Brighton Ward?

This block needs some basic decoration internally and the public areas need to be upgraded. Lockdown has highlighted a poor internet connection to some parts of the block which is not strong enough to stream or pick up Freeview television as well as making it difficult for households to work from home or access Council services online. There is no TV aerial because that was removed. Residents would like to have fibre optic cable brought into the block.

The area around Damson block also needs serious attention. Cars and vans are frequently parked illegally and contractors' vehicles have been parked on the grassed areas over many months now. This has churned up the grass making it muddy and unattractive. This area is the residents garden and it is not acceptable for contractors to keep claiming the Council has allowed them to park there. Internally, the bin and storage areas have been reported several times recently for overflowing rubbish and drug taking. The residents of this block want the Council to take some action on improvements; to stop illegal parking and to have a named housing officer responsible for each block so that actions needed can be noted and tracked.

Reply from Councillor Gibson, Joint Chair of the Housing Committee

Thank you for your questions on this block. I am sorry to hear of the concerns raised around Damson.

Damson is not currently programmed for any planned internal decorations. However, our surveyors will visit the block and review the condition and identify any repairs that need to be carried out in the short term.

I'm sorry to hear about the issues with parking. Our Car Parks & Garages team have now begun enforcement in front of Damson to address this. We are also reviewing whether further enforcement is needed in addition to this. We will be reseeding any grassed areas that contractors are using for parking associated with current work on the estate.

The block does have an up to date aerial system that is available for residents to receive both television and broadband services. Following your question I have asked officers to check the system is operating correctly. We don't have any issues currently listed with the operation of the system. If there are any problems residents can contact our Housing Repairs Help Desk and a repair will be raised to our aerial contractor.

I am sorry to hear about the issues with anti-social behaviour in the block. Our officers will look into this and review what actions we can take to address any issues arising.

Residents who do have any concerns with the block can access Housing support through either the Housing Customer Services team or the Housing Repairs Help Desk. Both services are operating and are the quickest way for residents to report any issues. We have found that this approach offers a more responsive and comprehensive way of dealing with issues that may arise than a named housing officer being responsible for each block. In particular, should that officer not be available or move on as often happens.

(2) Councillor Platts:

Parking at Black Rock and on Madeira Drive - Can the Council confirm the amount of car parking spaces in Black Rock car park; to what extent these spaces have been under-used since the re-opening of Madeira Drive for car parking and the amount of parking on Madeira Drive itself?

Can you list separately the amount of revenue generated by use of on street parking in Madeira Drive and the Black Rock car park for the same period plus the parking charges per hour?

Reply from Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

There are 61 spaces in the Black Rock Car Park and although this is underused since mid-October 2020 when Madeira Drive reopened this is consistent, seasonal behaviour.

Since reopening Madeira Drive currently has approximately 230 paid parking spaces which was reduced from 300 paid spaces following the introduction of the cycle lane on the south side. The parking on the north side is currently being reviewed as phase two of the reopening.

Income from Black Rock Car Park is £3,528 from 1,445 transactions since 18th October to the end of the first week of December while Madeira Drive is £57,175 income from 12,203 transactions. The parking charges are outlined in the Parking Annual report 19/20 which can be found on the Council website. It's a very useful read. Changes made for this financial year and implemented in April / May 2020 were outlined at Budget Council in February 2020 and can be found in the Committee papers.

(3) Councillor Allcock:

Labour was pleased to work cross party with the Greens to include School Streets as part of the Emergency Traffic Measures introduced during the Covid pandemic and we welcome the Administrations continuation of this scheme. The Council has said that the scheme will be reviewed after six months and that the impact of the measures will be monitored. Please can you provide details on:

- What form the review will take and what factors will be used to assess future viability;
- What plans are in place to move to a more permanent School Street arrangement at the schools where the scheme is judged to be successful; and
- How the schools involved and the fantastic School Street volunteers who work in all weathers are being updated on progress.

Reply from Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

Through the Emergency School Streets Programme, nine closures have been implemented outside the city's schools since September, with the fantastic support and goodwill of parents, carers and community volunteers. Of those nine schools, four are currently continuing, having secured enough regular volunteers to operate a closure with limited council support.

The wider project was paused at the October half term so that we could assess the trial closures and look at how to deliver School Streets closures over the long term. To date, Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders have been used to close roads during the school run and physical barriers have supported enforcement of the closure. This has meant that volunteers have been required to put in place and then marshal barriers at school closures during drop off and pick up times.

While we are extremely grateful to the local community for volunteering their time to support these closures, we recognise that for School Streets to be sustainable in the long term, we also need to look at where physical measures could work. Plans are already underway for physical measures to be implemented at Brunswick Primary, Downs Junior and St Luke's Primary schools by the end of March 2021.

We know that there is demand across the city for School Streets closures and are committed to delivering it to as many schools as possible. Officers are now looking at how closures can be implemented using physical measures, with the support of volunteers, as part of a future programme. Assessment criteria for School Streets is already in place and this would be used in any future programme to assess the viability of closures.

We will make sure that any changes to the way School Streets is being implemented is communicated to schools and to volunteers at the appropriate time.

(4) Councillor Fishleigh:

E-Scooters on the Undercliff between The Marina and Saltdean

Please will the council erect large signs at all five access points onto the undercliff as well as by the three cafes on the seafront so that everyone knows that it is against the law to ride e-scooters down there.

There are two access points in Saltdean, one in Rottingdean, one in Roedean and one at the marina.

Reply from Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

Scooters are still illegal in the UK on the public highway except on private land or in licensed trials where Local authorities are working with hire operators. BHCC is not taking part in these because of their potential for misuse in areas where they are prohibited as well as concerns around safety, access, street clutter and sustainability. Misuse of e-scooters by private owners is a matter for Sussex Police who will prioritise enforcement according to available resources as they see fit.

As you will be aware, the Council introduced additional signing along the Undercliff two years ago following requests from ward members, and any additional signing would be counterproductive and increase clutter to what is a very scenic environment. Further sign clutter won't resolve the issue of the illegal use of scooters.

**(5) Councillor Fishleigh:
Cityclean Service over Christmas and New Year.**

What measures have been put in place to ensure that both communal and household recycling and general waste bins will be emptied on a regular basis over Christmas and New Year and that we will not see a repeat of the overflowing bins and non-collections experienced last December, January and February?

Reply from Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

Changes have been made to collection dates this year to account for collections affected by Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

These changes were published in Argus Christmas TV Guide at the weekend. A news release detailing these changes will be published shortly and will be available on the council website. It has been published in Homing In and will be shared on social media platforms.

Arrangements will be made to empty on-street bins on Christmas Eve to provide capacity for the festive period.

We encourage residents to manage their waste responsibly and minimise the additional waste produced by thinking about their purchasing.

If a resident has too much waste to fit in their bin, they can take it to a recycling point (if it's recyclable), take it to one of the Household Waste Recycling Sites, or hang on to it until their next collection.

Fly-tipping of waste is illegal, and anyone caught will be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice.

**(6) Councillor Fishleigh:
Additional Communal Recycling and General Waste Bins**

Please can we have extra communal general waste and recycling bins in the following areas in Rottingdean Coastal over Christmas and New Year?

These are areas with hundreds of flats and fewer car users: Sussex Square, The Arundels, Rottingdean recycling point, Saltdean recycling points x 2.

Reply from Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

I appreciate more waste is generated at Christmas.

However, we cannot provide additional bins as it is not possible to provide extra bins to all areas of the city – extra staff, vehicles and bins will be required.

As I have already mentioned, people need to manage their waste responsibly and minimise the additional waste produced by thinking about their purchasing.

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**(7) Councillor Barnett:
Benfield Valley**

Brighton & Hove City Council's Property Team, after extensive research, has advised the following:

That there is nothing to suggest from the property register that the lease dated 27/10/92 made between Hove Borough Council & Sainsbury Plc has been varied or that a sublease for 7 years or more has been granted (there is no requirement to register a lease for 7 years or less at the land registry).

The 1992 lease includes the following provisions of note:

(13) COVENANT TO KEEP VACANT LAND IN PROPER ORDER

To keep the land not occupied by buildings in a clean well cultivated and proper condition so far as is appropriate to the actual use of the Premises and so as not to cause injury to the environment of the area or any adjoining land and to forthwith comply at its own expense with any notice of a relevant authority whether served on the Tenant or the Landlord reasonably requiring the abatement of any such injury.

(14) TO PRESERVE TREES ETC

To keep trees shrubs and hedging on the Premises in good order and condition so far as reasonably possible and properly tended cultivated in accordance with

the principles of good husbandry and pruned or trimmed and to replace all losses PROVIDED that so to do shall not interfere unreasonably with the use of the Premises for outdoor recreational and leisure purposes AND PROVIDED FURTHER that the same quantities of trees shrubs and hedging as at the date hereof shall be maintained hereafter and any revised layout thereof shall (before removal of the existing trees and shrubs and hedging) first be agreed with the Landlord which shall act reasonably in reaching such agreement with the Tenant

(16) NOT TO MAKE ALTERATIONS OR ADDITIONS

Not to erect any new or additional buildings on the Premises or any part thereof or make any alteration or addition whatsoever to the exterior of the buildings without the Landlord's written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) PROVIDED that it shall be unreasonable for the Landlord to withhold consent with regard to any application for consent to build or to make alterations or additions to buildings used for or ancillary to a use permitted by Clause 3(8) hereof.

(18) NOT TO ASSIGN ETC WITHOUT CONSULTATION/CONSENT AND ASSIGNMENT ETC TO A COMPANY

The Tenant covenants with the Landlord not to share possession or occupation or grant licence to use or grant third party rights over the Premises or any part or parts thereof

According to the official copy of register of title (Land Registry) the following information relating to the current tenants Benfield Investments Limited regarding the title absolute:

- (27/09/2004) PROPRIETOR: BENFIELD INVESTMENTS LIMITED (Co. Regn. No. 5121561) of 73 Church Road, Hove E Sussex BN3 2BB.
- RESTRICTION: Except under an order of the registrar no disposition of the land edged blue on the filed plan or any part thereof made before **12 May 2080** is to be registered without the consent of Capital and Regional Estates Limited or their successors in title in accordance with clauses 7.1 and 7.2 of the Transfer dated 12 May 2000 referred to in the Charges Register.
- The price stated to have been paid on 10 September 2004 was £625,000 According to an Option Agreement lodged with the Land Registry dated 25/07/2016:
- Benfield Investments Limited signed an Option Agreement with Futureform Global Investments Limited offering the land for development of **814 dwellings** with a purchase price of **£25,236,750**

Given the information above, including the confirmation that the 1992 lease is still in effect, I have the following questions:

1. Has the Tenant Benfield Investments Limited broken section 3 clause 14 of the lease above by clearing a large area of land, as reported by the Argus on 5 April 2017? <https://www.theargus.co.uk/news/15203948.amp/>

2. Has the Tenant Benfield Investments Limited broken section 3 clause 16 of the lease by signing an option agreement with Futureform Global Investments in 2016?
3. Has the Tenant Benfield Investments broken section 3 clause 18 of the lease by subletting the land to Brighton Footgolf?

Reply from Councillor Mac Cafferty, Leader of the Council

The works undertaken in 2017 were at the request of the council to ensure that the demised area was maintained and well cultivated in accordance with the provisions of the lease. The works were discussed in advance with council officers with regard to the lease and also council planning officers to ensure compliance with planning requirements. The tenant did not breach the lease when undertaking these works.

With reference to clause 18(b) an option to purchase would be a third party right, however, the option agreement [a copy of which is attached for your records, please refer to clause 10] does make clear that any sale/assignment of the lease, which is what the option guaranteed, would be subject to the prior consent of the Landlord. The landlord in this context is the council. Therefore, we do not consider that the courts would consider this to be a material breach of the lease as the developer was aware that the council would need to give final consent to enable the option to be effective. In addition, the option to purchase has expired. Had the developer wished to proceed with the option, they would have needed to do so by 1st January 2020, which was the long stop date for the agreement [see clause 4.5].

There has been no subletting and therefore no breach of the lease. Brighton Footgolf are contracted run the operation on behalf of Benfield Investments. There has been no passing of responsibilities to Brighton Footgolf – all responsibilities and rights remain with Benfield Investments.

**(8) Councillor Barnett:
Benfield Valley**

At the last council meeting I asked you the following oral question:
I refer to the council land comprising Benfield Valley Golf Course that I understand is currently on a long-lease.

Residents in my ward have since 2006 had to fight against proposal after proposal for housing developments on this land.

I recently met with one of the leaseholders who said he would be happy to enter negotiations with the council to discuss the council potentially buying back the long-lease.

Will the Leader of this Green Council consider buying back the long-lease and making the land part of the South Downs National Park to end these perpetual battles and protect it for ever from development for the benefit of our City.

Thank you.

In your response you said you would investigate the matter and write back to me. I have not yet received the response promised.

Please could you write back to me so that I can advise residents in my ward?
Please can we have extra communal general waste and recycling bins in the following areas in Rottingdean Coastal over Christmas and New Year?

These are areas with hundreds of flats and fewer car users: Sussex Square, The Arundels, Rottingdean recycling point, Saltdean recycling points x 2.

Reply from Councillor Mac Cafferty, Leader of the Council

Following the question above Council officers contacted the long lessees to establish whether they were willing to enter into discussions on the surrender of the lease.

My apologies for the delay in providing a response, the long lessee has only recently responded. The long lessee is committed to retaining their interest in the site in the short term and therefore discussions with the council regarding the surrender of whole or part will not be progressed at this stage.

**(9) Councillor Simson:
South Down Riding School**

Please can I have the information asked of the Chief Executive of the Council on the 8th October with a reminder sent on the 19th October? Has Southdown Riding School, at the top of Bear Road, been informed by the council, as the landlord, that they have to vacate the premises next year and is this with the intention of building on the land as one of the urban fringe sites that residents are fighting so hard to stop the development of in City Plan part 2?

Reply from Councillor Mac Cafferty, Leader of the Council

Our agents Savills have held discussions and onsite meetings with the tenant of South Downs Riding School following a complaint about the premises being used for and as an illegal waste transfer station. The expiry date of the lease is 29th September 2021 and given the ongoing review of land use management policy and the need to incorporate changes an early indication was given to the tenant that the council might seek to terminate the lease, albeit formal notice has not yet been served. No consideration has been given to the future use of the site beyond tidying up the yard and allowing regeneration of the land. Any longer-term options will be presented to the Asset Management Board and/or any future advisory panel borne out of the council's Whole Estate Plan.

**(10) Councillor Simson:
Empty Council Houses**

Please can you tell me how many empty council homes there are in the city currently, how long the longest one has been empty for, and why the Council is ripping out perfectly good fittings from vacated homes at enormous expense when it was agreed several years ago this wasn't going to be done anymore?

Reply from Councillor Gibson, Joint Chair of the Housing Committee

As of 9 December, there are currently 254 empty council homes, 95 of these need major work, and 72 have been advertised on Homemove. The longest empty property has been vacant since 01/03/20.

I would be concerned if we were ripping out perfectly good fittings at enormous expense and would welcome more information on situations where it has been reported that this has happened so I can look into this in more detail.

There are some circumstances where we may take out fittings.

Fittings may be removed from an empty property where they are non-standard and will have significant implications for future maintenance. This can include where a tenant has carried out work themselves, for example non-compliant doors, or where we can't maintain or ensure health & safety standards are have been met, for example decking or fitted appliances.

Going forward, as part of achieving our commitment to net zero carbon by 2030 we will re-examine the balance between repairs and replacement while of course adhering to the council's Decent Homes Standard.

(11) Councillor Mears: Update on Re[airs & Maintenance to Council Housing Stock

Following on from a report - *Update on Repairs & Maintenance to Council Housing Stock* - that went to the Housing Committee on the 16th September 2020, why was the internal Audit report presented to Audit and Standards committee on the 27th November 2020 never been shown to the Housing Committee on the 16th September or the 18th November committee meeting?

The Housing Committee has Delegated Powers under the Council's Constitution. Therefore, this also raises a number of other questions:

1. After spending £9.3m the procurement reports states that Service Management has identified that it requires additional resources to deliver a full service. How much extra is needed, and when will this be reported to Housing committee as this is paid from the HRA Budget?
2. The conclusion in the October 2020 report states that only Partial Assurance can be given on the operation of the new service and related systems. When will Full Assurance be given for the service?
3. Audit found that the service has not yet contracted with enough subcontractors to meet the needs of the service. When will this be put in place?
4. The internal Audit report includes eight high priority actions for improvement, which have been agreed with management. Please give details of all eight actions needed.

Please give details of the medium priority actions needed for improvement with the service.

Reply from Councillor Hugh-Hugh-Jones, Joint Chair of the Housing Committee

A summary of each audit report undertaken is reported to Audit and Standards Committee as soon as it is practical to do so. Reports do not routinely go to other committees, but this does happen in some cases. The report considered at Audit & Standards committee on 27 November is available on the council website. We will also circulate the link to this report to all Housing Committee members. A report updating Housing Committee on the Housing Repairs & Maintenance service, including an update on the Internal Audit will be presented to our next Housing Committee in January.

In terms of response to your specific questions:

1. Any additional resources needed for the service over and above the current budget for 2020/21 will be included within the HRA budget report going to January's Housing Committee.
2. A follow-up audit will be included in the 2021/22 Internal Audit Plan. This audit will follow-up on the findings and the agreed actions reported in the audit report dated October 2020. It will also consider any changes in the service and emerging risks in the intervening period. Following the audit a revised audit opinion will be given which will be one of the four opinions agreed with the Audit & Standards and Committee. These are "Substantial", "Reasonable", "Partial" and "Minimal" "Assurance. Until the completion of this piece of work it is not practical for the Internal Audit Service to provide a revised audit opinion. In the meantime, I would just like to point out that if your colleagues on Audit & Standards had had any concerns about this, they did have the option of requesting housing management officers attend a future meeting of Audit & Standards.
3. We have continued to directly engage contractors where required over the course of this year. We will be commencing further work for our contractor supply chain for Repairs & Maintenance early in 2021 ahead of the current arrangements ending in 2022.
4. and 5. We will provide these details to Housing Committee in the January update report.

(12) Councillor McNair: Mobile Phone Masts

Through what mechanism, for example a supplementary planning document, could 5G mast developers with prior approval be required to provide suitable camouflaging of cabinets and base stations, and would you support the implementation of such a mechanism?

Reply from Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

Masts, cabinets and base stations are often 'permitted development' – this means they don't require prior approval or a planning application. Where, the installation of a mobile phone mast still requires prior approval – the decision needs to be made within 56 days and only 'siting and appearance of the development' can be considered as part of making the decision.

The council therefore has limited control this type of development. Given this, and the Government's published intention to extend permitted development to allow 5G Masts and equipment without even prior approval, the request to prepare Supplementary Planning Guidance can't be supported. It couldn't be used by officers and it wouldn't be a good use of officer time.

**(13) Councillor Theobald:
Patcham Roundabout**

The Patcham roundabout (London Road) is the gateway to the City for many visitors and residents of the City.

The roundabout is in a very poor condition and has been for many years now. It is not a good advert for our City and disappointing for residents who want to see our city kept well presented.

Patcham Councillors were promised that work would start this year on landscaping the roundabout to improve the visual amenity of this entry point to the City.

This hasn't happened to date.

Please provide an update on the status of this work.

Reply from Councillor Heley, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

Work is in progress to reach an agreement between Highways England, the council and a contractor for these works to go ahead. The roundabout is owned by Highways England and therefore a 3-way contractual arrangement is required which is agreed by all parties. Negotiations and due diligence and progressing and we hope this will be finalised shortly so that works can start in the New Year.

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Agenda Item 72

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: AN UPDATE ON THE ECONOMIC STRATEGY FOR BRIGHTON & HOVE – Extract from the proceedings of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on 3 December 2020

Date of Meeting: 17 December 2020

Report of: Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance & Law

Contact Officer: Name: Lisa Johnson Tel: 01273 291228
E-mail: lisa.johnson@brighton-hove.gov.uk

Wards Affected: All

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

That the report and recommendations of the Policy & Resources Committee be considered and approved.

Recommendation: That the Economic Strategy is amended to remove the Productivity Commission as a priority action and that it be noted the objectives of the Commission will be pursued in other ways, as set out in Priority Action PA4 in Appendix 1 to the report.

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL
POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

4.00pm 3 DECEMBER 2020

VIRTUAL
MINUTES

Present: Councillor Mac Cafferty (Chair) Druitt (Joint Deputy Chair), Gibson (Joint Deputy Chair), Platts (Opposition Spokesperson), Bell (Group Spokesperson), Allcock, Clare, Miller, Yates and Williams

Also present: Dr A Sasidharan

PART ONE

MINUTE EXTRACT

PART ONE

107 AN UPDATE ON THE ECONOMIC STRATEGY FOR BRIGHTON & HOVE

107.1 The recommendations in the report were agreed without discussion.

107.2 RESOLVED: That the Committee –

- (i) Noted the progress to date on delivery of the of the priority actions in the Economic Strategy for Brighton & Hove;
- (ii) Recommends to Full Council that the Economic Strategy is amended to remove the Productivity Commission as a priority action and notes that the objectives of the Commission will be pursued in other ways, as set out in Priority Action PA4 in Appendix 1.

Council

17 December 2020

Agenda Item 73

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: COVID-19 RECOVERY & RENEWAL PROGRAMME UPDATE – Extract from the proceedings of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on 3 December 2020

Date of Meeting: 17 December 2020

Report of: Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance & Law

Contact Officer: Name: Lisa Johnson Tel: 01273 291228
E-mail: lisa.johnson@brighton-hove.gov.uk

Wards Affected: All

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

The report has been referred from the Policy & Resources Committee for information.

Recommendation: That the report is noted.

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL
POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

4.00pm 3 DECEMBER 2020

VIRTUAL

MINUTES

Present: Councillor Mac Cafferty (Chair) Druitt (Joint Deputy Chair), Gibson (Joint Deputy Chair), Platts (Opposition Spokesperson), Bell (Group Spokesperson), Allcock, Clare, Miller, Yates and Williams.

Also present: Dr A Sasidharan

PART ONE

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PART ONE

93 COVID-19 RECOVERY & RENEWAL PROGRAMME UPDATE

- 93.1 The Committee considered the report of the Executive Director Economy Environment & Culture which provided an update on the progress of the Covid-19 Recovery & Renewal Programme.
- 93.2 Dr Sasidharan asked a number of questions: with regard to the citywide recovery for children and young people what the preliminary lessons learned were; noted that medically appropriate food would be provided and asked if that would be culturally appropriate food; asked if the communications would be provided in an easy to read format which could be particularly beneficial for those whose first language was not English; and asked why staff were encouraged to wear face masks rather than it being mandatory; The Executive Director Economy Environment & Culture said that work was being done with the Food Partnership to look at how we think about food as a whole system for the City, but it was early days and staff would be recruited to do that, and work was also being done with the Greater Brighton Economic Board as a lot of the food economy covers the wider region, as far as he was aware culturally appropriate food was available but there were different providers such as the food provided by national government and some provided from local community food hubs etc and so would provide a more detailed answer after the meeting; with regard to communications he would consult with the Communications Team and provide a written response, and with regard to the preliminary lessons learned he would consult with colleagues and provide a written response; with regard to face coverings the majority of staff were working from home but those who weren't would be required to wear them.

93.3 Councillor Platts referred to paragraph 3.3 and asked what the governance arrangements were for the working groups and if there were member involvement; noted that there was funding for individuals who were self-isolating and in poverty to buy food and essentials and asked how that was publicised, and if a breakdown could be provided of Wards where claims were made and subsequently paid out and how the £300k was allocated; and noted that the University of Sussex had attended the Food Working Group to share intelligence and asked what that was. The Executive Director Economy Environment & Culture said that the working groups were working at different levels depending on what was required with some dealing with more reactive issues and were meeting weekly and some looking at longer-term issues but there was no member involvement. With regard to the funding available for food the Revenues and Benefits Team would provide a report on the payments made. With regard to the £300k grant, a report had come to this committee and a copy would be provided. With regard to the University of Sussex he did not have that information but would find out and provide a written response.

93.4 Councillor Platts proposed the following amendment to the recommendations (changes bold):

2.1 That the committee notes this progress update report

2.2 That the committee also calls for a further report that gives due consideration to paid positions at key food hubs around the city, that are currently reliant on volunteers alone;

2.3 That the committee further calls for more detailed reports on the recovery areas covered by the working groups, to the next meeting of the P&R Recovery (Sub) Committee due to take place on 6th January.

93.5 Councillor Williams seconded the proposed amendment.

93.6 The Committee voted and agreed the amendment.

93.7 **RESOLVED:** That the Committee -

(1) Noted this progress update report;

(2) Called for a further report that gives due consideration to paid positions at key food hubs around the city, that are currently reliant on volunteers alone;

(3) Called for more detailed reports on the recovery areas covered by the working groups, to the next meeting of the P&R Recovery (Sub) Committee due to take place on 6th January.

Council

17 December 2020

Agenda Item 74

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject:	BREXIT RESILIENCE & PLANNING – Extract from the proceedings of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on 3 December 2020		
Date of Meeting:	17 December 2020		
Report of:	Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance & Law		
Contact Officer:	Name:	Lisa Johnson	Tel: 01273 291228
	E-mail:	lisa.johnson@brighton-hove.gov.uk	
Wards Affected:	All		

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

The report has been referred from the Policy & Resources Committee for information.

Recommendation: That the report is noted.

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL
POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

4.00pm 3 DECEMBER 2020

VIRTUAL

MINUTES

Present: Councillor Mac Cafferty (Chair) Druitt (Joint Deputy Chair), Gibson (Joint Deputy Chair), Platts (Opposition Spokesperson), Bell (Group Spokesperson), Allcock, Clare, Miller, Yates and Williams.

Also present: Dr A Sasidharan

PART ONE

MINUTE EXTRACT

PART ONE

106 BREXIT RESILIENCE & PLANNING

- 106.1 The Committee considered the report of the Executive Lead Strategy Governance & Law which provided an overview of Brighton & Hove City Council's preparations for the UK's withdrawal from the EU and related issues as overseen by the Brexit Working Group. The report was introduced by the Brexit Coordination Officer.
- 106.2 Councillor Clare thanked the Communications Team for their work and the video and postcard that had been produced and which had been shared with other external groups. As the Government were still in negotiations there was still a huge amount of uncertainty on what would happen with Brexit.
- 106.3 Dr Sasidharan said that there was nervousness expressed by community members on the rise of hate crime and they were looking for reassurance and asked how many BAME groups had been contacted about community tensions. The Brexit Coordination Officer said that the Communities Team had been engaging with groups on how Brexit may impact on BAME communities.
- 106.4 Councillor Miller referred to recommendation 2.2 and was concerned that broad power would be given to the Chief Executive and presumed that any decision would be made with the Leader of the Council to ensure there was a democratic oversight. He noted that longer-term opportunities for businesses were only briefly mentioned in the report and thought that it would be useful to provide information on how businesses could benefit after Brexit. The Executive Lead Strategy Governance & Law said that recommendation 2.2 came from the Cross Party Brexit Working Group who were concerned that there were so many unknown issues such as problems with the supply of medicines, food etc and if

the current scheme of delegation to officers were used it could become fragmented and it would be better to have one person who could make decisions quickly in response to events. If the decision involved significant financial expenditure the Chief Executive would of course discuss the matter with Group Leaders.

106.5 **RESOLVED:** That the Committee -

- (1) Noted the contents of this report and appendix, which provide an overview of the preparations made by the Council across its areas for the UK's withdrawal from the EU;
- (2) Authorised the Chief Executive to take any steps necessary or incidental to protecting the interests of the Council and the city in response to emerging issues connected with Brexit.

GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT

NOTICE OF MOTION
SUPPORT UNITED NATIONS TPNW: ICAN CITIES APPEAL

That the motion be amended as shown below in ***bold italics***.

This Council notes:

- 1) That any nuclear weapon detonation by accident or intent would constitute a major humanitarian catastrophe, with consequences transcending national borders and having grave implications for the health and survival of current and future generations;
- 2) That the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons negotiated under United Nations auspices and adopted by 122 UN Member States on 7 July 2017, will gain international legal force on January 22nd 2021, 90 days after being signed and ratified by the first fifty governments;
- 3) The important security, peace-building, safety and educational roles and responsibilities of local authorities worldwide, including through 'Nuclear Free Local Authorities' (NFLA) and 'Mayors for Peace', of which BHCC is a member;
- 4) That Mayors for Peace works with the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN, 2017 Nobel Peace laureate) and other partners in over a hundred countries to encourage cities to support the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons;

This Council resolves;

- 1) To declare its support for the obligations and full implementation of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons ***and the decommissioning of the UK's Trident nuclear weapons system;***
- 2) To call on the UK government ***and all parliamentary parties*** to commit to working for global peace in a world free of nuclear weapons by signing and ratifying the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and working alongside other UN Member States for its full implementation. ***This requires the UK to decommission and eliminate all British nuclear weapons and facilities.***
- 3) To ***request that the Chief Executive*** inform the Prime Minister, UN Secretary-General, Mayors for Peace and International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons of the Council's adoption of this resolution.

Proposed by: Cllr Clare

Seconded by: Cllr Hugh-Jones

Motion if carried to read:

This Council notes:

- 1) That any nuclear weapon detonation by accident or intent would constitute a major humanitarian catastrophe, with consequences transcending national borders and having grave implications for the health and survival of current and future generations;
- 2) That the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons negotiated under United Nations auspices and adopted by 122 UN Member States on 7 July 2017, will gain international legal force on January 22nd 2021, 90 days after being signed and ratified by the first fifty governments;
- 3) The important security, peace-building, safety and educational roles and responsibilities of local authorities worldwide, including through 'Nuclear Free Local Authorities' (NFLA) and 'Mayors for Peace', of which BHCC is a member;
- 4) That Mayors for Peace works with the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN, 2017 Nobel Peace laureate) and other partners in over a hundred countries to encourage cities to support the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons;

This Council resolves;

- 1) To declare its support for the obligations and full implementation of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and the decommissioning of the UK's Trident nuclear weapons system;
- 2) To call on the UK government and all parliamentary parties to commit to working for global peace in a world free of nuclear weapons by signing and ratifying the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and working alongside other UN Member States for its full implementation. This requires the UK to decommission and eliminate all British nuclear weapons and facilities.
- 3) To request that the Chief Executive inform the Prime Minister, UN Secretary-General, Mayors for Peace and International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons of the Council's adoption of this resolution.

LABOUR GROUP AMENDMENT

NOTICE OF MOTION
POWER OF YOUTH CHARTER

That the motion be amended to insert the text as shown below in ***bold italics*** and *delete the text as struck through*.

That this council:

- agrees the importance of ~~the~~ including ***young people's*** voices ~~of young people~~ in decision-making and commends the recent work on a 'youth engagement' action plan ~~for our city's young people~~, which was created with the young people themselves ***who worked hard on this initiative to ensure young voices have greater influence***
- ***commends the work of young people at the forefront of the Black Lives Matter movement, the Youth Climate Strikes, and in organising the Youth Climate Assembly***
- thanks Brighton and Hove Youth Council, ***YouthWise and Children in Care Council*** for their *ir* work ~~in they do to~~ formally representing ***ing*** the city's young people within council structures and recognises ~~the~~ ***their*** importance of the ~~Youth Council as a body~~
- reaffirms its ~~previously agreed~~ ***prior*** commitment to votes at 16

This council therefore:

- ~~a~~Agrees, subject to the approval of the Children, Young People & Skills Committee ***approval***, to sign up to the 'Power of Youth Charter', using the aforementioned youth engagement report as a basis for showing how we will meet its aims
- ~~r~~Requests that the Children, Young People & Skills Committee receive a yearly report on actions taken against the Charter across the council
- ~~c~~Commits to using our ~~own~~ communication channels as councillors and political parties to support the work of young people, as per the ~~'R'~~ in the charter:
- ***calls for a report to Children, Young People & Skills Committee, no later than April 2021, that:***
 - ***assesses the methods the Council uses to engage with young people;***
 - ***seeks to improve our communication with young people through a collaborative process; and***
 - ***explores how young people are consulted and their views considered in all local policy decisions that impact them.***

Proposed by: Cllr Allcock

Seconded by: Cllr Williams

Motion if carried to read:

That this council:

- agrees the importance of including young people’s voices in decision-making and commends the recent work on a ‘youth engagement’ action plan, which was created with young people themselves who worked hard on this initiative to ensure young voices have greater influence
- commends the work of young people at the forefront of the Black Lives Matter movement, the Youth Climate Strikes, and in organising the Youth Climate Assembly
- thanks Brighton and Hove Youth Council, YouthWise and Children in Care Council for their work in formally representing young people within council structures and recognises their importance
- reaffirms its prior commitment to votes at 16

This council therefore:

- agrees, subject to Children, Young People & Skills Committee approval, to sign up to the ‘Power of Youth Charter’, using the youth engagement report as a basis for showing how we will meet its aims
- requests the Children, Young People & Skills Committee receive a yearly report on actions taken against the Charter across the council
- commits to using our communication channels as councillors and political parties to support the work of young people, as per the charter
- calls for a report to Children, Young People & Skills Committee, no later than April 2021, that:
 - assesses the methods the Council uses to engage with young people;
 - seeks to improve our communication with young people through a collaborative process; and
 - explores how young people are consulted and their views considered in all local policy decisions that impact them.

LABOUR GROUP AMENDMENT

NOTICE OF MOTION
PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE FUNDING

That the motion be amended to insert new second and third bullet points as shown in ***bold italics below***.

Council asks the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Health, requesting:

That ministers reconsider spending review proposals that offer no new funding for public health teams during this public health crisis; requesting long-term, sustainable public health funding, and includes further public health spending in the local government financial settlement, expressing concern that public health funding has reduced by over £700m in real-terms in the past five years;

- this should include a budget to promote local take up of vaccination. While vaccines are delivered by the NHS, council recognises the vital role played by public health teams in promotion of immunisation against disease, and requests funding to support public health promotion work to ensure resources are available to deliver the broadest possible community engagement and take-up of a Covid19 vaccine;
- ***this should further include specific measures to address the stark, systematic health inequalities that have negatively impacted Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic communities, that Covid has clearly highlighted;***
- ***this should also include specific measures to address the health inequalities that have negatively impacted upon low-income groups;***
- that Government publish a long-term strategy for Adult Social Care as part of a comprehensive service alongside the NHS to ensure security in old age.

Proposed by: Cllr Evans

Seconded by: Cllr Moonan

Motion if carried to read:

Council asks the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Health, requesting:

That ministers reconsider spending review proposals that offer no new funding for public health teams during this public health crisis; requesting long-term, sustainable public health funding, and includes further public health spending in the local government financial settlement, expressing concern that public health funding has reduced by over £700m in real-terms in the past five years;

- this should include a budget to promote local take up of vaccination. While vaccines are delivered by the NHS, council recognises the vital role played by public health teams in promotion of immunisation against disease, and requests

funding to support public health promotion work to ensure resources are available to deliver the broadest possible community engagement and take-up of a Covid19 vaccine;

- this should further include specific measures to address the stark, systematic health inequalities that have negatively impacted Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic communities, that Covid has clearly highlighted;
- this should also include specific measures to address the health inequalities that have negatively impacted upon low-income groups;
- that Government publish a long-term strategy for Adult Social Care as part of a comprehensive service alongside the NHS to ensure security in old age.

LABOUR GROUP AMENDMENT

NOTICE OF MOTION
REGISTER OF HERITAGE ASSETS

That the motion be amended to insert the text as shown below in ***bold italics*** and to delete the text as struck through.

Council asks the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Health, requesting:

This Council

1. Expresses regret over recent incidents relating to the loss of historic lanterns from the Brighton seafront;
2. Praises the actions of local investigative journalists for identifying said missing items; and
3. Calls for an officer report to the Tourism, Equalities, Communities & Culture Committee to explore options for setting up an independent group ***of volunteers to assist the relevant officers in the work of*** with the aim of establishing a list of all heritage assets – including those in situ, in storage and undergoing repair elsewhere – for which the Council has responsibility;
4. ***For that report to explore:***
 - ***the option of valuing and certifying items that for any reason would require replacing, first offering them to Brighton or Hove Museum, then either for display in an alternate Council setting or for sale via a dedicated Council website;***
 - ***for local residents to be offered a prior chance to purchase these items before they go on general sale;***
 - ***the enhanced value that certification of these items can ensure;***
 - ***ring-fencing the funds raised from these sales to be allocated for the restoration of items in the public domain and to fund the storage space for such items and items which may be put up for sale.***

Proposed by: Cllr Grimshaw

Seconded by: Cllr O'Quinn

Motion if carried to read:

Council asks the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Health, requesting:

This Council

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2. Praises the actions of local investigative journalists for identifying said missing items; and
3. Calls for an officer report to the Tourism, Equalities, Communities & Culture Committee to explore options for setting up an independent group of volunteers to assist the relevant officers in the work of establishing a list of all heritage assets – including those in situ, in storage and undergoing repair elsewhere – for which the Council has responsibility;
4. For that report to explore:
 - the option of valuing and certifying items that for any reason would require replacing, first offering them to Brighton or Hove Museum, then either for display in an alternate Council setting or for sale via a dedicated Council website;
 - for local residents to be offered a prior chance to purchase these items before they go on general sale;
 - the enhanced value that certification of these items can ensure;
 - ring-fencing the funds raised from these sales to be allocated for the restoration of items in the public domain and to fund the storage space for such items and items which may be put up for sale.

REGISTER OF HERITAGE ASSETS**NOTICE OF MOTION
GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT**

To amend the notice of motion with the deletion of the text as shown in ***bold italics*** below:

This Council

1. Expresses regret over recent incidents relating to the loss of historic lanterns from the Brighton seafront;
2. Praises the actions of local investigative journalists for identifying said missing items; and
3. Calls for an officer report to the Tourism, Equalities, Communities & Culture Committee to explore options for ***setting up an independent group with the aim of*** establishing a list of all heritage assets – including those in situ, in storage and undergoing repair elsewhere – for which the Council has responsibility.

Proposed by: Cllr Ebel

Seconded by: Cllr Littman

Motion if carried to read:

This Council

1. Expresses regret over recent incidents relating to the loss of historic lanterns from the Brighton seafront;
2. Praises the actions of local investigative journalists for identifying said missing items; and
3. Calls for an officer report to the Tourism, Equalities, Communities & Culture Committee to explore options for establishing a list of all heritage assets – including those in situ, in storage and undergoing repair elsewhere – for which the Council has responsibility.

