

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

HOUSING COMMITTEE

4.00pm 15 MARCH 2023

COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL

DECISION LIST

Part One

70 PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING: DISCRETIONARY LICENSING EVIDENCE

Contact Officer: Diane Hughes

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Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED:

- 2.1 That Housing Committee notes the findings of the Private Sector Housing: Housing Stock Condition & Stressors Report that evidences the need for a citywide approach to discretionary licensing (Appendix 1).
- 2.2 That Housing Committee approves Option 3 (see 3.31), which will be subject to 12 weeks of consultation (to commence once a revised fee structure is agreed by Members). This is:
 - (1) Citywide Additional HMO Licensing covering properties which have two or more storeys, and three or more tenants are living there as more than one household.
 - (2) Selective Licensing on all non-HMO private rented sector homes in four wards where the evidence demonstrates a clear link between poor property conditions, deprivation and private rented homes. These wards ⁽¹⁾ are: Kemptown, Moulsecoomb & Bevendean, Queen's Park and Whitehawk & Marina. With a further option in 13 wards in the city on the grounds of poor property conditions. These wards are: Brunswick & Adelaide, Central Hove, Goldsmid, Hanover & Elm Grove, Hollingdean & Fiveways, Preston Park, Regency, Rottingdean & West Saltdean, Round Hill, South Portslade, West Hill & North Laine, Westbourne & Poets Corner and Wish.

- 2.3 That Housing Committee notes that the Budget Review Group has provided £100,000 to fund non-recoverable costs (such as consultation) needed in developing a scheme and that budget council has allocated a further £20,000.
- 2.4 That Housing Committee requests the findings of the consultation and appropriate recommendations be brought back to a future committee for Member decision.

⁽¹⁾ New Brighton & Hove wards from May 2023

71 HOUSING REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE – PROCUREMENT OF MATERIALS SUPPLY CHAIN

Contact Officer: Laura Turner
Ward Affected: All Wards

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RESOLVED:

That Housing Committee delegates authority to the Executive Director of Housing, Neighbourhoods and Communities to:

- 2.1 Take all steps necessary to procure and award a contract for the materials supply chain for the Housing Repairs & Maintenance Service, with a contract term of 5 years.
- 2.2 To approve an extension to the contract referred to in 2.1 above for a period of up to 5 years following the initial 5 year term, subject to satisfactory performance.

72 HOUSING MANAGEMENT AREA PANEL REVIEW

Contact Officer: Sam Warren
Ward Affected: All Wards

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RESOLVED:

- 2.1 Approves the revised Terms of Reference for Housing Area Panels in Appendix 1.
- 2.2 Recommends to Policy & Resources Committee:
- i) that it agrees the revised Terms of Reference as set out in Appendix 1
 - ii) that the revised Terms of Reference come into force on 25th May (Annual Council).
 - iii) that the Monitoring Officer be authorised to amend and re-publish the Council's constitutional documents to incorporate the revised

Terms of Reference.

2.3 That Policy & Resources Committee:

- i) agree the revised Terms of Reference as set out in Appendix 1
- ii) agree that the revised Terms of Reference come into force on 25th May (Annual Council).
- iii) that the Monitoring Officer be authorised to amend and re-publish the Council's constitutional documents to incorporate the revised Terms of Reference.

73 HOMES FOR BRIGHTON & HOVE – EXTERNAL COMMUNAL AREA MANAGEMENT AT COLDEAN LANE, BRIGHTON.

Contact Officer: Diane Hughes Tel: 01273 293159
Ward Affected: Hollingdean & Stanmer

RESOLVED:

That Housing Committee:

- 2.1 Recommends to Policy & Resources Committee that it delegates authority to the Executive Director of Housing, Neighbourhoods and Communities to enter into a 250 year head lease of the HBH site at Denman Place, Coldean Lane, Brighton.

That Policy & Resources Committee:

- 2.2 Delegates authority to the Executive Director of Housing, Neighbourhoods and Communities to enter into a 250 year head lease of the HBH site at Denman Place, Coldean Lane, Brighton.

74 DEVELOP A POLICY TO INCENTIVES HOUSEHOLDS TO RELINQUISH COUNCIL TENANCIES AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO RIGHT TO BUY

Contact Officer: Justine Harris Tel: 01273 293772

RESOLVED:

- 2.1 That Housing Committee note this report.
- 2.2 That Housing Committee agree to a full report coming back to a future Housing Committee which will consider options for a policy.

75 HOUSING COMMITTEE WORKPLAN PROGRESS UPDATE AND HOUSING PERFORMANCE REPORT QUARTER 3 2022/23

Contact Officer: Diane Hughes Tel: 01273 293159

Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED:

2.1 That Housing Committee notes the report.