



**Brighton and Hove**

# Community Engagement in the City

The members of the 2020 Community Partnership want to hear what you have to say about how community engagement can be improved in the City.

## **Who are the members of the 2020 Community Partnership?**

Brighton and Hove City Council, Sussex Police, Brighton and Hove Primary Care Trust, the Community and Voluntary Sector Forum, Jobcentre Plus and the East Sussex Fire & Rescue Service amongst many others.

## **What do we mean by community engagement?**

There are many different activities that we think are engagement. These include giving information in newsletters and press releases and carrying out consultation via focus groups and surveys. It also includes communities and service providers like the City Council working together on projects such as local park improvements. It is also when final decisions are made by communities for example through local community chests.

## **Why should I fill in this form?**

We think community engagement is important because it gives people and communities in Brighton and Hove the opportunity to discuss with the Council and other organisations how services could be changed to better meet their needs.

We want to improve engagement in the City but we need you to tell us what engagement you've been involved with, what was good about it and what we could have done better. So.....

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## **Please tell us:**

Question 1: What does being involved/engaged in your community mean to you?

Question 2: What are the benefits of being engaged?

Question 3: What makes it possible for you to be engaged?

Please tick as many of the below as you feel applies to you.

- Having information
- Training and learning opportunities
- Support to get involved
  - transport to a meeting venue
  - BSL signer
  - Caring support
  - Support from a worker
- Other please specify.....

Question 4: Are there any other comments about community engagement you would like to make?

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**What will you do with my comments?**

All returned comments will be used by the 2020 Community Partnership to write a Framework for community engagement in the City.

All members of the 2020 Community Partnership will be expected to sign up to the Framework.

The Framework will act as a reference guide. It will include the standards that all organisations should achieve when carrying out any engagement activity. It will also include the range of engagement activity that the City should have and definitions of what these are. Finally, it will list the priority actions that should be taken to improve engagement.

A more detailed consultation document is available from the 2020 Community Partnership website – [www.2020community.org/cef](http://www.2020community.org/cef) or from the City Council on 01273 293944 or 295053.

If you have any queries please contact the staff managing the development of the Framework:

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### **How do I return my comments?**

Please send:

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**No stamp required**

We would be grateful if you would give us your contact details in order that we can send you a copy of the feedback report.

Name:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone number:

Email:

Please let us know if you are responding as:  
Please tick only one

- A representative of a group
- An individual member of a group
- An individual

Please would you tell us the name of your group, if applicable:.....

**MONITORING FORM**

Whilst the City Council is committed to monitoring all aspects of diversity, it is acknowledged that some people may be unwilling to disclose their details. Therefore we would be grateful if you would complete our monitoring form.

**Question 1:** Are you  Male  Female  Transgender  
(please tick if you also identify as Transgender)

**Question 2:** Do you consider yourself to be disabled or to have a long-standing illness or health condition? (long standing means anything that has troubled you over a period of time or that is likely to affect you over a period of time for example 12 months)  
 Yes  No

**Question 3:** How old were you on your last birthday? .....

**Question 4:** To which of these ethnic groups do you consider you belong? Please tick only one

**White**  
 British  
 Irish  
Other White background (please state)  
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**Black or Black British**  
 Caribbean  
 African  
Other Black background (please state)  
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**Mixed**  
 White & Black Caribbean  
 White & Black African  
 White & Asian  
Other mixed background (please state)  
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**Asian or Asian British**  
 Indian  
 Pakistani  
 Bangladeshi  
Other Asian background (please state)  
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**Chinese**  
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**Other ethnic group** (please state)  
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**Question 4:** What is your religion/belief?

- None
- Christian
- Buddhist
- Hindu
- Jewish
- Muslim
- Sikh
- Other (please state).....

**Question 5:** Sexual orientation, are you

- Heterosexual
- Bisexual
- Gay
- Lesbian
- Other (please state).....