

COUNCIL ADDENDUM

4.30PM, THURSDAY, 13 DECEMBER 2012
COUNCIL CHAMBER, BRIGHTON TOWN HALL

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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 four written questions have been received from members of the public.

(a) Mr Tony Greenstein

"On 25th October an employment tribunal found that the Office & Finance Manager of Deans Youth Project had been automatically unfairly dismissed for making a protected disclosure by revealing to the Chair of Trustees that another employee had been falsifying invoices.

Instead the claimant was herself dismissed on the grounds of theft and dishonesty. This was reported to the Police who found there was no substance in the allegations.

What steps have been taken by the Council, as a major funder, to ensure that a new management is put in place and that the claimant is reinstated in her post?"

Councillor Shanks, Chair of the Children & Young People Commitee, will reply.

(b) Ms Valerie Paynter

"Important decisions are taken by officers under delegated powers which serving Administrations must carry the can for and I am not aware of the current Administration having any wish to take back responsibility for any of them. Indeed I wonder if councillors are sometimes taken unawares when one is implemented that they had no say in.

How many delegated decisions are first notified to or discussed with Councillors?"

Councillor J. Kitcat, Leader of the Council, will reply.

(c) Mr Dave Evans

"Why are the pelican crossings being downgraded without any specific reference to them on the questionnaire when we have many disabled and vulnerable people that use Seven Dials for their local shops, post office and chemist?

This question comes from the parents of a wheelchair user who know they are more secure with phased traffic lights on the existing crossing."

Councillor Davey, Chair of the Transport Committee will reply.

(d) Mr Nigel Jenner

"In light of the plethora of consultations being undertaken by the Green Administration, especially in relation to traffic proposals are Transport Consultations carried out in isolation of each individual case?"

Councillor Davey, Chair of the Transport Committee will reply.

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PETITION REPORT

LABOUR & CO-OPERATIVE GROUP AMENDMENT

Amend recommendation 2.1 with the addition of the wording 'and the committee is requested to ensure that the following measures have taken place:' and add a further three recommendations 2.1.1 - 2.1.3 as shown in bold italics:

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the petition is referred to the Transport Committee for consideration and the committee is requested to ensure that the following measures have taken place:
- 2.1.1 That in view of the large amount of concern expressed by residents living in the 7 Dials area as evidenced by this petition, the current proposals for the traffic and highway changes in their current form are reviewed.
- 2.1.2 That adequate traffic modelling is undertaken before any further proposals are brought forward in order to fully understand the potential for any increase in 'rat-running' traffic through side roads; and
- 2.1.3 That this work is followed by further public consultation on the detail of the scheme as it is proposed to affect pedestrians and any other changes in the plans to hopefully ensure good traffic flow.

Proposed by: Cllr Alan Robins Seconded by: Cllr Gill Mitchell

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WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

The following questions listed on pages 55-56 of the agenda have been received from Councillors and will be taken as read along with the written answers listed below:

(a) Councillor G. Theobald

"In view of the welcome changes to local government finance which mean that councils such as Brighton & Hove will retain half of any increase in business rate income from 1st April 2013, does the Leader of the Council agree with me that it is vitally important for council tax payers that the Council does all it can to ensure that all businesses in the city are paying their full business rates as assessed by the Valuation Office?

Would the Leader of the Council also please advise me what was the rateable value, and consequently business rate paid by the Co-op on their London Road store (a) for the last full financial year of operation prior to closure in 2007; and (b) during each of the financial years since 2007 that the property has been left vacant."

Reply from Councillor J. Kitcat, Leader of the Council.

We have an excellent foundation for Business Rates collection. Last year the collection rate was 98.56% and we are on target to increase collection further this year. Also, the Business Rates team is conducting a full review of processes, which will bring improvements both in customer service and collection.

Profiling the Business Rates taxbase itself is a core piece of work and is proving to be very complex. We do have concerns about the impact of ongoing appeals against Rateable Values. The government's Valuation Office Agency deals with these directly, but they do not provide us with full information. We therefore have limited knowledge of the quantity and identity of appellants, when they will be answered, or whether individual cases are likely to go up or down. I hope Cllr Theobald will join me in lobbying government to demand improvements in the performance and openness of the Valuation Office Agency in these regards.

Meanwhile, we have engaged the consultants Wilks Head and Eve to help us with our profiling in this area. They will also be advising us more generally about accurately maximising the properties that are listed for Business Rates.

Regarding the Co-Op, payment was made in full while the property was occupied. The Rateable Value was £220,000, translating to a £100,398.76 charge in 2005/6 and £85,081.53 for a partial 2006/7 year. After that, changes were made to the Rateable Value due to splitting of the property, and there is

currently a legally prescribed exemption in place due to Health and Safety issues. Our Revenues team continues to monitor the situation. More generally, we are looking at ways of encouraging empty properties back into use and have provisionally set funding aside in the budget for Business Rate incentives in this area.

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COUNCIL TAX DISCOUNTS AND EXEMPTIONS REFORM

RECOMMANDATIONS FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER:

The following recommendations are listed for Council to consider and are detailed below for clarification:

These are listed on page 64 of the Council agenda and differ slightly from those recommended by Policy & Resources due to further changes and information received from the Government after the Policy & Resources Committee.

- 2.1 That the Council abolishes the 10% Second Home Discount, meaning that those liable for Second Homes will pay full Council Tax from 1 April 2013.
- 2.2 That the Council retains the current arrangement for empty dwellings undergoing repair or structural work, namely that liable parties will receive a 100% discount for up to 12 months, or for 6 months after work is complete, whichever is sooner. This provision is currently known as a "Class A Exemption".
- 2.3 That the Council introduces a period of up to six weeks 100% discount for dwellings that are empty and unfurnished, to replace the current six month exemption known as Class C.
- 2.4 That officers will have discretion, (a) to give an additional period of up to six weeks 100% discount after a change of liable party and (b) in exceptional circumstances, to extend the six week 100% discount to an absolute maximum of three months.
- 2.5 That the Council introduces an Empty Home Premium at the maximum 50%, meaning that those liable for empty dwellings will have to pay 150% Council Tax after two years of the dwelling remaining empty.
- 2.6 Accordingly that the Council makes the formal determinations and decisions for the financial year commencing on 1 April 2013 and subsequent financial years as set out in Appendix 4.
- 2.7 That the Director of Finance and other relevant officers identified in the Council's Scheme of Delegations to Officers as responsible for local taxation services and revenues and benefits, be authorised to take all appropriate steps to implement and administer the recommendations, including publishing in accordance with statutory requirements.

2.8 That the Head of Law be authorised to amend the Council's constitution by the addition in Part 3.1 (Council Functions) of a new paragraph in section 3.01 after the paragraph relating to Policy and Budget: "Council Tax: Exercising any function which, under section 67 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, may only be discharged by the authority."

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COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT - PROPOSED FINAL SCHEME

RECOMMANDATIONS FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER:

The following recommendations are listed for Council to consider and are detailed below for clarification:

These are listed on page 116 of the Council agenda and differ slightly from those recommended by Policy & Resources due to further changes and information received from the Government after the Policy & Resources Committee.

- 2.1.1 To note the Overview and Scrutiny report at appendix 1, its recommendations and the Committee's responses at appendix 2.
- 2.1.2 To note the information about the government's October announcement of transition grant at appendix 3.
- 2.1.3 To note the feedback from consultation and the responses at appendix 5 and section 4 of the report.
- 2.1.4 To note the Equality Impact Assessment at appendix 6.
- 2.1.5 To agree that the proposals in the draft scheme published in July be adopted with the amendments necessary to satisfy the criteria for transition grant set out in the October announcement.
- 2.1.6 To agree the full text of the final scheme .
- 2.17 Accordingly to make the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (Pensioners) (Brighton & Hove City Council) 2013 and the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (Persons who are not Pensioners) (Brighton & Hove City Council) 2013 (which together make up the main scheme) as set out in Part 1 of appendix 4 and the Discretionary Council Tax Scheme (Brighton & Hove City (Council) 2013 (the discretionary scheme) as set out in Part 2 of appendix 4.
- 2.1.8 To authorise Director of Finance to take all appropriate steps to implement and administer the main scheme and the discretionary scheme, including (1) publishing the main scheme in accordance with statutory requirements, (2) applying for any funding for which the Council may be eligible, and (3) responding to any other government initiatives or consultation exercises.

2.1.9 To authorise the Head of Law to make suitable amendments to the Council's constitution to reflect the council's new functions in relation to council tax reduction schemes, in particular (1) to indicate in Part 3 (Council Functions) that only the Full Council can make, revise or replace its main scheme and (2) to replace in the Schemes of Delegation to Committees and Sub-committees and to officers any references to council tax benefit with references to council tax reduction schemes.

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REPORT TO COUNCIL ON 13 DECEMBER 2012 ITEM 63 - COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT - PROPOSED FINAL SCHEME

LIST OF AMENDMENTS TO APPENDIX 4

When Appendix 4 was circulated, it was mentioned that further checks of these documents were ongoing and additional regulations were expected shortly, so it might be necessary to circulate amendments. These are listed below and the Council is requested to agree to incorporate them in the text of the main scheme and discretionary scheme when it makes its decisions on the proposals.

In relation to the financial amounts in Annexes 4 and 5, these are based on the draft Regulations published this week. Council is requested to approve the scheme on the basis that if there are any changes in the Regulations as made, the amount in the Regulations as made will be substituted.

NB UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, PAGE REFERENCES BELOW ARE NOT TO THE OVERALL APPENDIX PAGE NUMBERS, BUT TO THE SECTION PAGE NUMBERING - WHICH IS ON THE LEFT AT THE BOTTOM OF EACH PAGE.

<u>Part 1 – The Main Scheme, Section 1 – The Council Tax Reduction</u> <u>Scheme (Pensioners) (Brighton & Hove City Council) 2013</u>

Part 1 Section 1 Various Pages – Alter the financial amounts to accord with the new amounts prescribed in amending regulations [see **Annex 4** below].

Part 1 Section 1 Page 6 – Renumber as "13" the second Part 4 item numbered "12";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 15 – In (3)(a) add "or 19B" after "17A";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 17 – In 4(2) amend "opposite sex" to "opposite sexes";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 26 – In 7(1) add "amount" after "maximum council tax reduction;

Part 1 Section 1 Page 33 – In (4) amend "will" to "must";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 48 – In (15)(b) delete "(if relevant)" and, before "statutory paternity pay" add "ordinary or additional";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 57 – In 37 add "calculated in accordance with this Part" after "The capital of an applicant";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 63 – In (4) add "authority's" before "scheme";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 63 – In (5)(b) amend "sub-paragraph (b)" to "paragraph (b)"

Part 1 Section 1 Page 72 – In (2)(a) add "and" after "award";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 75 – In 1 substitute for the start of the paragraph the wording in **Annex 2**;

Part 1 Section 1 Page 87 – In 9(1) amend "must" to "may";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 91 – In (g) amend "the application" to "an application";

Part 1 Section 1 Page 93 – Reinstate the omitted paragraph (3) [see **Annex 1** below];

Part 1 – The Main Scheme, Section 2 – The Council Tax Reduction Scheme (Persons who are not Pensioners) (Brighton & Hove City Council) 2013

Part 1 Section 2 Various Pages – Alter the financial amounts to accord with the new amounts prescribed in amending regulations [see **Annex 5** below].

Part 1 Section 2 Various pages –A number of amendments will be made to the footnotes, eg to correct date of Regulations from 2013 to 2012, but as the footnotes are not part of the scheme, the amendments are not listed here;

Part 1 Section 2 Page 6 – Move up the explanatory paragraph, currently after 2.16, so that it is between the main heading at 2.0 and the first sub heading at 2.1;

Part 1 Section 2 Page 8 – Correct the spelling of "separately" in the "Local Scheme Requirements paragraph";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 9 – Add "and revisions and replacement" at 2.0;

Part 1 Section 2 Page 9 – Under 2.4 delete "Citation, commencement and application";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 10 – Delete the heading at 39A;

Part 1 Section 2 Page 11 – In heading 47 add "amount" after "reduction";

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Part 1 Section 2 Page 11 – In heading 49 amend "G" to "F";
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Part 1 Section 2 Page 12 – In heading 95 amend "G" to "F"

Part 1 Section 2 Page 13 – In heading 100 add "F" after "to";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 13 – Delete heading 107;

Part 1 Section 2 Page 16 – In the definition of earnings, add at the end "or 59 as the case may be";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 17 – in the definition of "a guaranteed income payment" add after (c) "(injury benefits)" and after (a) "(death benefits)"

Part 1 Section 2 Page 24 – Add "(meaning of couple)" in 5(2) after "article 4";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 27 – In 9(2) substitute for paragraph (b) the paragraph in **Annex 3**:

Part 1 Section 2 Page 32 – In 16(1) substitute "may" for "must";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 46 – Amend 42(2) to read "Capital for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) is to be calculated in accordance with Parts 15 to 17.";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 49 – Add "amount" after "reduction" in the heading and in (1);

Part 1 Section 2 Page 50 – In 47B(1) add an "s" to paragraph";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 50 - In 48(1) delete paragraph (c)

Part 1 Section 2 Page 52 – In 48A(1) amend "38A" to "39";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 53 – In 49(2) delete "under article 47(1)"

Part 1 Section 2 Page 60 – In the definition of A amend "(treatment of student loans)" to "(costs of travel, books and equipment)";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 68 – In (k) amend "2002" to "2011";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 69 – In (h) delete "under section 71 of that Act"

Part 1 Section 2 Page 69 – In (12) amend "shall" to "is" and add "to" before "apply";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 70 – In (13) add "to" before "apply";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 70 – In (15) amend "woman" to "person"

Part 1 Section 2 Page 70 – In (15) and 15(a) amend "she" to "he";

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Part 1 Section 2 Page 70 – In 16(b) delete "(if relevant)";
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Part 1 Section 2 Page 80 – In 8(a)(i) and 8(a)(ii) amend "in council tax" to "under this scheme";

Part 1 Section 2 Pages 93, 94, 95, 96, & 97 – Amend all references to "D to G" to "D to F";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 98 – In the heading 100, add "F" after "to";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 99 – In (4) add "(discounts)" after "11A"

Part 1 Section 2 Page 100 – Amend heading "Part 24" to "Part 23";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 101 – In 1 amend "shall be" to "are";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 101 – In 3 delete "be";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 102 – In (2) amend "shall be" to "is";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 103 – In 5 delete "be";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 108 – In 12(3)(a) and (b) amend "64(11)(e)" to "64(11)(g)";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 113 – In 28(4) add at the end "(applicable amounts).";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 115 – In 2(b)(ii) add at the end "(statutory sick pay etc)";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 115 – In 4(1) amend "shall" to "does";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 116 - In (e) amend "shall" to "must";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 125 – In 40 amend "shall" to "must";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 127 – In (7) amend "shall" to "is to";

Part 1 Section 2 Page 130 – In 4 amend "shall" to "is to".

<u>Part 2 – The Discretionary Scheme - The Discretionary Council Tax</u> <u>Scheme (Brighton & Hove City Council) 2013</u>

Page 249 (of the overall Appendix numbering) – In paragraph 7.1 ("An application to the Council for a discretionary reduction must be made...") amend "must" to "may"

ANNEX 1

The reinstated paragraph (3) is as follows:-

(3) In any case where paragraph 5(1)(a) (date on which application made: state pension credit comprising guarantee credit) applies, sub-paragraph (2) does not entitle a person to apply for a reduction under an authority's scheme in respect of any day earlier than three months before the date on which the claim for state pension credit is made (or treated as made by virtue of any provision of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1987).

ANNEX 2

The substituted start to paragraph 1 (which relates to war disablement pensions, war widows' pensions and similar sums) is as follows:-

"1. In addition to any sum which falls to be disregarded in accordance with paragraphs 2 to 6, £10 [but note that by concession under section 13A(1)(c) of the 1992 Act the authority will allow the whole rather than just the specified £10 to be disregarded] of any of the following, namely:-"

ANNEX 3

The substituted paragraph (b) is as follows:-

- (b) if the applicant is polygamously married—
 - (i) where the applicant has (alone or jointly with his partner) an award of universal

credit, any—

- (aa) party to such a marriage other than the applicant's partner; and
- (bb) any child or young person who is a member of his household and for whom he or his partner or another party to the polygamous marriage is responsible; or
- (ii) in any other case, any partner of his and any child or young person who is a member of his household and for whom he or one of his partners is responsible;

ANNEX 4

The altered financial amounts of the Main Scheme, Section 1 – The Council Tax Reduction Scheme (Pensioners) (Brighton & Hove City Council) 2013 are:-

In paragraph 8 of Schedule 1 (non-dependent deductions)

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for "£9.90" substitute "£10.95";
- (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for "£3.30" substitute "£3.65";
- (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for "£183.00" substitute "£186.00";
- (d) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for "£183.00", "£316.00" and "£6.55" substitute "£186.00", "£322.00" and "£7.25" respectively;
- (e) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for "£316.00", "£394.00" and "£8.25" substitute "£322.00", "£401.00" and "£9.15" respectively.

In Schedule 2 (applicable amounts)

- (a) in column (2) of the Table in paragraph 1:-
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for "£142.70" substitute "£145.40";
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for "£161.25" substitute "£163.50";
 - (iii) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for "£217.90" substitute "£222.05";
 - (iv) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for "£241.65" substitute "£244.95";
 - (v) in sub-paragraph (3)(a) for "£217.90" substitute "£222.05";
 - (vi) in sub-paragraph (3)(b) for "£75.20" substitute "£76.65";
 - (vii) in sub-paragraph (4)(a) for "£241.65" substitute "£244.95";
 - (viii) in sub-paragraph (4)(b) for "£80.40" substitute "£81.45";
- (b) in column (2) of the Table in paragraph 2 for "£64.99" in each place in which it occurs substitute "£65.62";
- (c) in the second column of the Table in Part 4:-
 - (i) in paragraph (1)(a) and (b)(i) for "£58.20" substitute "£59.50";
 - (ii) in paragraph (1)(b)(ii) for "£116.40" substitute "£119.00";
 - (iii) in paragraph (2) for "£22.89" substitute "£23.45";
 - (iv) in paragraph (3) for "£56.63" substitute "£57.89";
 - (v) in paragraph (4) for "£32.60" substitute "£33.30".

In column (1) of the Table in paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 (amount of alternative maximum council tax reduction)

(a) in paragraph (b) (i) for "£180.00" substitute "£183.00";

(b) in paragraph (b) (ii) for "£180.00" and "£235.00" substitute "£183.00" and "£239.00" respectively.

In paragraph 19(2) of Schedule 5 (amounts to be disregarded in the calculation of income: applicant is parent of student in advanced education) for paragraph (b) substitute

"(b) £56.80 less the weekly amount of any award, bursary, scholarship, allowance or payment referred to in sub-paragraph (1)(b),".

ANNEX 5

The altered financial amounts of the Main Scheme, Section 2 –The Council Tax Reduction Scheme (Persons who are not Pensioners) (Brighton & Hove City Council) 2013 are:-

In paragraph 48 (non-dependant deductions)

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for "£9.90" substitute "£10.95";
- (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for "£3.30" substitute "£3.65";
- (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for "£183.00" substitute "£186.00";
- (d) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for "£183.00", "£316.00" and "£6.55" substitute "£186.00", "£322.00" and "£7.25" respectively;
- (e) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for "£316.00", "£394.00" and "£8.25" substitute "£322.00", "£401.00" and "£9.15" respectively.

In Schedule 1 (applicable amounts)

- (a) in column (2) of the Table in paragraph 1:-
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) and (b) for "£71.00" substitute "£71.70";
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (1)(c) for "£56.25" substitute "£56.80";
 - (iii) in sub-paragraph (2) for "£71.00" substitute "£71.70";
 - (iv) in sub-paragraph (3) for "£111.45" substitute "£112.55";
- (b) in column (2) of the Table in paragraph 3, for "£64.99" in each place in which it occurs substitute "£65.62";
- (c) in the second column of the Table in paragraph 17:-
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for "£30.35" substitute "£31.00";
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for "£43.25" substitute "£44.20";

- (iii) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) and (b)(i) for "£58.20" substitute "£59.50":
- (iv) in sub-paragraph (2)(b)(ii) for "£116.40" substitute "£119.00";
- (v) in sub-paragraph (3) for "£56.63" substitute "£57.89";
- (vi) in sub-paragraph (4) for "£32.60" substitute "£33.30";
- (vii) in sub-paragraph (5)(a) for "£22.89" substitute "£23.45";
- (viii) in sub-paragraph (5)(b) for "£14.80" substitute "£15.15";
- (ix) in sub-paragraph (5)(c) for "£21.30" substitute "£21.75";
- (d) in paragraph 23 for "£28.15" substitute "£28.45";
- (e) in paragraph 24 for "£34.05" substitute "£34.80".

In column (1) of the Table in paragraph 1 of Schedule 5 (amount of alternative maximum council tax reduction)

- (a) in paragraph (b)(i) for "£180.00" substitute "£183.00";
- (b) in paragraph (b)(ii) for "£180.00" and "£231.00" substitute "£183.00" and "£239.00" respectively.

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NOTICE OF MOTION GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT RUGBY WORLD CUP

To insert the words as shown in bold italics and delete the words as struck through.

This Council warmly welcomes the long listing of the AMEX Community Stadium to host matches in the 2015 Rugby World Cup. It notes that if should the bid, submitted with cross party support by Brighton & Hove Albion FC, is be successful this it will bring a significant boost to help increase tourism, inspire young people to take up the sport and significantly boost the economy in of our City. The bid has the full backing of from all elected members of Brighton & Hove City Council and we who will undertake to provide our their continued support throughout the selection process, and beyond, if successful."

Proposed by: Cllr Bowden Seconded by: Cllr. Jones

Supported by: Shanks, Buckley, Davey, Deane, Duncan, Follett, Hawtree, Jarrett, Mac Cafferty, Kennedy, A Kitcat, J Kitcat, Littman, Phillips, Powell, Rufus, Sykes, Wakefield and West.