

**BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY
COUNCIL MEETING**

4.30PM 13 DECEMBER 2012

COUNCIL CHAMBER, BRIGHTON TOWN HALL

AGENDA



**Brighton & Hove
City Council**

Council Meeting

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| Title: | Council |
| Date: | 13 December 2012 |
| Time: | 4.30pm |
| Venue | Council Chamber, Brighton Town Hall |
| Members: | All Councillors You are summoned to attend a meeting of the BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL to transact the under-mentioned business. |
| | Prayers will be conducted in the Council Chamber at 4.20pm by Sayed Tariq Jung of the Brighton & Hove Muslim Forum |
| Contact: | Mark Wall Head of Democratic Services 01273 291006 mark.wall@brighton-hove.gov.uk |



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51. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- (a) Disclosable of pecuniary interests not registered on the register of interests;
- (b) Any other interests required to be registered under the local code;
- (c) Any other general interest as a result of which a decision on the matter might reasonably be regarded as affecting you or a partner more than a majority of other people or businesses in the ward/s affected by the decision.

In each case, you need to declare

- (i) the item on the agenda the interest relates to;
- (ii) the nature of the interest; and
- (iii) whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest or some other interest.

If unsure, Members should seek advice from the committee lawyer or administrator preferably before the meeting.

52. MINUTES

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To approve as a correct record the minutes of the last Council meeting held on the 25th October 2012 (copy attached).

Contact Officer: Mark Wall
Ward Affected: All Wards

Tel: 29-1006

53. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS.

54. TO CONSIDER NOMINATIONS FOR (A) THE MAYOR-ELECT AND (B) THE DEPUTY MAYOR-ELECT

Note: The convention has been for the out-going Mayor to be nominated as the Deputy Mayor-Elect.

55. TO RECEIVE PETITIONS AND E-PETITIONS.

Petitions will be presented to the Mayor at the meeting.

56. WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

A list of public questions received by the due date of 12noon on the 6th December 2012 will be circulated separately as part of an addendum at the meeting.

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57. DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

A list of deputations received by the due date of 12noon on the 6th December 2012 will be circulated separately as part of an addendum at the meeting.

58. PETITIONS FOR COUNCIL DEBATE

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Petitions to be debated at Council. Report of the Monitoring Officer (copy attached):

(a) **Seven Dials Improvement Project.** Lead petitioner Mr. D. Evans.

59. WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS.

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A list of the written questions submitted by Members has been included in the agenda papers. This will be repeated along with the written answers received and will be taken as read as part of an addendum circulated separately at the meeting.

6.30 - 7.15PM REFRESHMENT BREAK

Note: A refreshment break is scheduled for 6.30pm although this may alter slightly depending on how the meeting is proceeding and the view of the Mayor.

60. ORAL QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

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A list of Councillors who have indicated their desire to ask an oral question at the meeting along with the subject matters has been listed in the agenda papers.

61. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Call over (items 62-64 and 66-68) will be read out at the meeting and Members invited to reserve the items for consideration.

(b) To receive or approve the reports and agree with their recommendations, with the exception of those which have been reserved for discussion.

(c) Oral questions from Councillors on the Committee reports which have not been reserved for discussion.

62. COUNCIL TAX DISCOUNTS AND EXEMPTIONS REFORM

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Extract from the proceedings of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on the 29th November 2012, together with a report of the Director of Finance (copies attached).

Contact Officer: *Nigel Manvell*

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Ward Affected: *All Wards*

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63. COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SYSTEM - FINAL SCHEME 111 - 216

Extract from the proceedings of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on the 29th November 2012, together with a report of the Director of Finance (copies attached).

Contact Officer: John Francis *Tel:* 29-1913
Ward Affected: All Wards

64. STATEMENT OF GAMBLING POLICY PURSUANT TO THE GAMBLING ACT 2005 217 - 244

Extract from the proceedings of the Licensing Committee (Licensing Functions 2003 Act) meeting held on the 22nd November 2012, together with a report of the Head of Planning and Public Protection (copies attached).

Contact Officer: Tim Nichols *Tel:* 29-2163
Ward Affected: All Wards

65. NOTICES OF MOTION. 245 - 256

The following Notices of Motion have been submitted by Members for consideration (copies attached):

- (a) **Impact of parking charges on the local economy.** Proposed by Councillor Cox.
- (b) **Rugby World Cup Bid.** Proposed by Councillor G. Theobald.
- (c) **Support properly funded Early Years Education and Childcare.** Proposed by Councillor Gilbey.
- (d) **Council Tax Benefit Support.** Proposed by Councillor Phillips.
- (e) **Free Childcare for disadvantaged Two-Year Olds.** Proposed by Councillor Shanks.
- (f) **Support Extra Funding for the Local Discretionary Social Fund.** Proposed by Councillor Fitch.

ITEMS REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR INFORMATION

66. TWO YEAR OLD FREE EARLY LEARNING ENTITLEMENT 257 - 270

Extract from the proceedings of the Children & Young People Committee meeting held on the 12th November 2012, together with a report of the Interim Director of Children's Services (copies attached).

Contact Officer: Vicky Jenkins *Tel:* 29-6110
Ward Affected: All Wards

Part Two

67. MINUTES - EXEMPT CATEGORY 3

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To approve as a correct record the part two minutes of the last Council meeting held on the 25th October 2012 (circulated to Members only).

Contact Officer: Mark Wall
Ward Affected: All Wards

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68. PART TWO PROCEEDINGS

To consider whether the items listed in Part Two of the agenda and the decisions thereon should remain exempt from disclosure to the press and public.

69. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Mayor will move a closure motion under Procedure Rule 17 to terminate the meeting 4 hours after the beginning of the meeting (excluding any breaks/adjournments).

Note:

1. *The Mayor will put the motion to the vote and if it is carried will then:-*

(a) *Call on the Member who had moved the item under discussion to give their right of reply, before then putting the matter to the vote, taking into account the need to put any amendments that have been moved to the vote first;*

(b) *Each remaining item on the agenda that has not been dealt with will then be taken in the order they appear on the agenda and put to the vote without debate.*

The Member responsible for moving each item will be given the opportunity by the Mayor to withdraw the item or to have it voted on. If there are any amendments that have been submitted, these will be taken and voted on first in the order that they were received.

(c) *Following completion of the outstanding items, the Mayor will then close the meeting.*

2. *If the motion moved by the Mayor is **not carried** the meeting will continue in the normal way, with each item being moved and debated and voted on.*

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3. *Any Member will still have the opportunity to move a closure motion should they so wish. If such a motion is moved and seconded, then the same procedure as outlined above will be followed.*

Once all the remaining items have been dealt with the Mayor will close the meeting.

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For further details and general enquiries about this meeting contact Mark Wall, (01273 291006, email mark.wall@brighton-hove.gov.uk) or email democratic.services@brighton-hove.gov.uk.

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We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

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