

# BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

4.30PM 14 MAY 2020

**VIRTUAL MEETING - SKYPE** 

AGENDA

Brighton & Hove City Council

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Title:	Council		
Date:	14 May 2020		
Time:	4.30pm		
Venue	Virtual Meeting - Skype		
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 Reverend Helen Rose		
Contact:	Mark Wall Head of Democratic Services 01273 291006 mark.wall@brighton-hove.gov.uk		
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# AGENDA

#### Part One

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#### 1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- (a) Disclosable pecuniary 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 Monitoring Officer or Democratic Services Officer preferably before the meeting.

#### 2 MAYORAL REPORT 2019/20

To receive the report of the Chief Executive.

Contact Officer: Mark Wall Wards Affected All Wards Tel: 01273 291006

#### 3 MAYOR'S THANKS

The Mayor will give thanks for her year in office.

#### 4 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR OF BRIGHTON AND HOVE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2020/21

The Mayor will seek nominations for the new Mayor for the municipal year 2020/21.

It is proposed that Council elects Councillor Robins as Mayor for the municipal year 2020/21 and that he be re-elected in May 2021 as Mayor for the municipal year 2021/22 (serving a total of a 2 year term.)

#### 5 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR

The Mayor will call on Councillor Mac Cafferty to move a vote of thanks for the retiring Mayor.

## 6 APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR BRIGHTON AND HOVE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2020/21

The Mayor will move the appointment of the Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2020/21.

It is proposed that Council elects Councillor Mary Mears as Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2020/21 and that she be re-elected as Deputy Mayor in May 2021 for the municipal year 2021/22 (serving a total of 2 year term.)

### 7 APPOINTMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2020/21

The Mayor will seek nominations for the appointment of the Leader of the Council for the municipal year 2020/21.

## 8 APPOINTMENTS FOR 2020/21

The Mayor will move the following appointments for 2020/21:

- (a) To approve the appointment of the Deputy Leader of the Council, Councillor Allcock;
- (b) To approve the appointment of the Leader of the Official Opposition; Councillor Mac Cafferty;
- (c) To note the appointments of the following positions as agreed by the respective Groups represented on the Council:
  - (i) Leader of the Labour Group Councillor Platts;
  - Deputy Leaders of the Labour Group Councillor Allcock and, Councillor Yates (Finance);
  - (iii) Convenor of the Green Group Councillor Mac Cafferty;
  - (iv) Deputy Convenors of the Green Group Councillor Clare (External) and, Councillor Shanks (Internal);
  - (v) Leader of the Conservative Group Councillor Bell;
  - (vi) Deputy Leaders of the Conservative Group Councillor Mears and, Councillor Wares.

## **REPORTS FOR DECISION**

## 9 REVIEW OF POLITICAL BALANCE 2020-21

Report of the Chief Executive (to follow).Contact Officer:Mark WallWards AffectedAll Wards

10 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

Extract from the proceedings of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020 (to follow), together with a report of the Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance & Law

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## 11 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.
- 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.

**To Follow** 

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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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# PROCEDURAL RULES AIDE MEMOIRE

Point of Order	A Member claiming to speak on a point of order or in personal explanation shall be entitled to be heard forthwith. The point of order shall relate only to an alleged breach of a specified statutory provision or a specified Procedure Rule, and the way in which the Member raising it considers that it has been broken. Personal explanation shall be confined to some material part of the speech by him/her which may appear from the current debate to have been misunderstood.	P.R. 15.10
	The ruling of the person presiding on a point of order or on the admissibility of a personal explanation shall not be open to discussion except on a motion of which due notice has been given.	P.R. 15.11
Extensions of Speaking Times	Any extension of time for speeches consented to by the Council shall be limited to 5 minutes. Where necessary the Mayor will call for a show of hands to ensure there is a majority in favour of the extension.	P.R. 16.4
End of meeting Closure Motion	Without prejudice to 17.2 below, when a period of four hours excluding adjournments has elapsed since the commencement of a meeting of the Council, the Mayor shall move, without comment, that the meeting ends and that business be concluded in accordance with Procedure Rule 17.5. Should the closure motion be carried, the Mayor will put any unfinished business to the vote without discussion. Any Member moving a report or a Notice of Motion may withdraw the report or Notice of Motion.	P.R. 17.1
	<ul> <li>If the motion under 17.1 or 17.2 is passed then immediately after the vote (in the case of a motion under 17.1) or when the time specified in the motion arrives (in the case of a motion under 17.2):</li> <li>(a) no further points of order shall be raised except by the Mayor;</li> <li>(b) the Mayor shall then interrupt the discussion of the question then before the meeting;</li> <li>(c) unless the mover of the motion then under discussion seeks leave to withdraw that motion, the Mayor shall allow him/her to reply to the debate for not more than three minutes;</li> <li>(d) unless the motion then under discussion is withdrawn, the Mayor shall put, without further discussion, all the questions necessary to dispose of that motion;</li> <li>(e) the Mayor shall put, without discussion, all the questions necessary to complete consideration of any reports which remain on the agenda for the meeting, unless the relevant Cabinet Member or Committee Chair (or a person on his/her behalf) indicates a wish to the contrary;</li> <li>(f) the Mayor shall call each Member who gas given notice of a motion to be moved at the meeting to move (unless previously withdrawn) without comment, shall permit any motions so moved to be seconded without comment, and shall forthwith put any motions to the vote;</li> <li>(g) finally, the Mayor shall close the meeting.</li> </ul>	P.R. 17.5
	At a time when a period of not less than four hours excluding adjournments has elapsed since the commencement of the meeting of the Council a Member of the Council may move, without comment, that the meeting shall end at a time to be specified in the motion.	P.R. 17.2
	Subject to the Mayor's discretion to refuse a Member's closure motion under PR17.2 (Mayor may refuse to accept the motion if a similar motion has been	P.R. 17.3

	rejected earlier in the same meeting), any Member has the right to move a closure motion under Council Procedure Rule 17.2	
Quorum	1/4 of whole number of Councillors (14).	P.R. 6.1
Interpretation of Procedural Rules	The ruling of the Mayor or person presiding at the meeting as to the construction or application of any of these Procedure Rules shall not be challenged at any meeting.	P.R. 1.4
Cameras / Recording	Without prejudice to any power of exclusion to suppress or prevent disorderly conduct or the power to deal with other misbehaviour or interference with proceedings at a meetings, any person shall be permitted to film, video or photograph the proceedings at Council meetings except for that part of the meeting where the public are excluded pursuant to a resolution passed in accordance with Section 100A(2) or (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).	P.R. 29.1
Councillor Written Questions	Written questions can be submitted in accordance with the set deadlines and will be taken as read along with the answer given in the addendum papers which are circulated at the meeting.	P.R. 9.3 P.R. 9.5
Councillor Oral Questions	A period of not more than 30 minutes shall be allowed for oral questions from Members. Oral questions are limited to general policy matters and only the Member asking the question may ask one supplementary question.	P.R. 9.7
	Members will be restricted to one oral question per meeting.	P.R 9.14
Timing of speeches	Councillor moving proceedings or Motion 5 minutes. A Member moving an amendment is not moving a motion and therefore has 3 minutes as do all other speakers.	P.R. 16.4
Right to Reply	3 minutes to mover of proceedings or Motion at the end of the debate prior to the vote. The mover of an amendment shall have no right of reply to the debate on the amendment.	P.R. 16.6
Amendment of proceedings or Motions	More than one amendment may be moved and discussed at any one time and will be dealt with at the discretion of the Mayor or Chair. If an amendment is not carried, other amendments may be moved to the original motion. If an amendment is carried, the motion as amended shall take the place of the original motion and shall become the motion to which any further amendment may be moved.	P.R. 15.5
Notices of Motion	Councillor moving Notice of Motion has right to reply at close of debate. If amendment moved, mover of original Motion also has right to reply at close of debate on amendment. Councillor moving an amendment has no right of reply.	P.R. 16.6
Seconding	When seconding a motion or amendment, a Member may reserve his/her speech until a later period of the debate by declaring his/her intention to do so.	P.R. 15.3
Recorded vote	Support of not less than 1/5 of whole number of Councillors needed (11). Voting may be by roll call or by an electronic method.	P.R. 27.3
Question be now put	Straight majority vote.	P.R.13.1 (f)