

Annual Council17th May 2018**Agenda Item 2**

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject:	Mayoral Report 2017-18		
Date of Meeting:	17 May 2018		
Report of:	Chief Executive		
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Ward(s) affected:	All		

FOR GENERAL RELEASE**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT**

- 1.1 This report informs Council of the activities of the Mayor, Councillor Mo Marsh during the civic year 2017-18.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the report be noted.

3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The Mayor is the first citizen of Brighton and Hove and carries out a range of civic and ceremonial duties, representing the council at hundreds of events across the city and around the region.
- 3.2 Many organisations contact the Mayor's office to request mayoral presence at their events. The Mayors presence helps raise profile, generates publicity and increases opportunities for fund raising.
- 3.3 In addition, during their year of office the Mayor supports local charities; raising funds and boosting profile.
- 3.4 The Mayor of Brighton and Hove is not directly elected, holds no direct power and is politically neutral during their term of office. The role is purely civic and ceremonial.
- 3.5 The Mayor undertakes many different duties including:
- Chairing meetings of Full Council, including the council's budget setting meeting;
 - Supporting the main aims of the council;
 - Representing the council at public, civic and ceremonial events both in and outside of the city;
 - Acting as an ambassador for the city and working with a wide range of local organisations.

- 3.6 This year the Mayor chose to offer her support to 5 charities that were able to use the Mayoral name to promote events and to encourage support for the mayoral charities.
- 3.7 During her Mayoral year (2017-18) the Mayor carried out in excess of three hundred and eighty seven engagements of which approximately;
- 52 were events or receptions in the Mayor's Parlour
 - 25 involved Faith or Faith Communities
 - 11 involved sport or sporting activities
 - 53 were traditional or heritage events
 - 45 were meetings
 - 29 involved the Arts or creative communities
 - 40 were charity, fundraising or volunteer events
 - 20 involved aspects of health, age or well-being
 - 32 involved young people
 - 17 supported the economy
 - 63 were in support of neighbourhoods, inclusion, communities and equalities
- 3.8 The Mayor was particularly pleased to have been able to attend and take part in a number of the events:
- Remembrance Day Commemorations,
 - The Children Parade,
 - Citizenship Ceremonies,
 - Pride
 - The B Right On LGBT Community Festival
 - School visits
 - The Brighton Marathon, Half Marathon
 - University Graduation Ceremonies
 - Events to raise funds for the Mayors chosen charities,
 - Brighton & Hove Albion V Leicester City Game and charity collection
- 3.9 The Mayor's Parlour has been used on many occasions throughout the year, including;
- Civic Receptions
 - All Meetings of the Mayors Charity Committee
 - All meetings of the Brighton Fund
 - Meetings of the Police Cells Museum Committee
- 3.10 The Mayor wishes to thank the Charity Committee for their support. Funds raised for charity are yet to be confirmed but are expected to exceed a total 45K, with the proceeds of the Brussels2Brighton Cycle Ride contributing in excess of £24k of the total raised to date.
- 3.11 The Mayor wishes to thank Father Robert Norbury for his work as Chaplain and support throughout the year.

- 3.12 The Mayor wishes to thank Councillor Dee Simson (Deputy Mayor) for deputising at many events; and for her support and flexibility.
- 3.13 The Mayor would like to extend particular thanks to Robert Brown MBE for his support as her Consort. She also wishes to thank friends, family and fellow councillors for their support.
- 3.14 The Mayor is grateful for the support of officers and particularly wishes to thank the staff in the Civic Office and those involved in helping to manage the council meetings.

4. ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 4.1 As this is an annual report of the Mayor there is no need for any consideration of alternative options.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION

- 5.1 There has been no other consultation required.

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 That the information contained in the report should be noted.

7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

- 7.1 There are none arising from this report.

Legal Implications:

- 7.2 There are none arising from this report.

Equalities Implications:

- 7.3 There are none arising from this report.

Sustainability Implications:

- 7.4 There are none arising from this report.

Any Other Significant Implications:

- 7.5 There are none arising from this report.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

None

