

Brighton and Hove City Council

Housing & New Homes Committee Agenda Item 21 (b)

Subject: **Member Questions**

Date of Meeting: **20 September 2023**

Councillor McLeay Questions to Chair of Housing Committee

- 1. Theobald House needs attention. Ahead of the May election I was led to understand that there is major investment capital proposed for the block's improvements this year. Is there a plan in place for when these major works will start, and if so, what will be involved, how will residents be involved and how will that apply to residents wanting a playground?*
- 2. As evictions are a major contributing factor to homelessness, we should strive to keep a closer eye on the numbers and trend indicators. Can there be a report on evictions in emergency accommodation to a future Housing & New Homes Committee, within the next 6 months?*
- 3. What rent collection rate is budgeted for 23-24 from council tenants and how much rent is this? What were the actual collection rates for 2022-23 and 21-22?*
- 4. When will the annual report for 22/23 of the homeless reduction board and homeless reduction operational board be presented to housing committee? Given the abolition of the homeless reduction board which was a key part of the homelessness and rough sleeping strategy agreed in June 2020, will it be revised and rewritten to reflect this?*

Councillor McLeay

