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Brighton & Hove
Strategic Partnership

Creating the City of Opportunities
A sustainable community strategy for the City of Brighton & Hove

Summary document

A wide-angle photograph of a snowy landscape. In the foreground, a line of sheep is walking across a snow-covered field. The middle ground shows a valley with patches of snow and some buildings. In the background, a city skyline is visible under a bright, hazy sky. The overall scene is peaceful and rural.

This is the summery version of the newly refreshed edition of the Council's Sustainable Community Strategy; 'Creating the City of Opportunities'. This strategy explains how Brighton & Hove's Strategic Partnership will work together to improve, in a sustainable way, quality of life in Brighton & Hove

Brighton & Hove's Strategic Partnership is responsible for the strategy's development and implementation. It comprises a broad mix of people who work hard together to get things done. There are representatives from the community and voluntary sector, businesses and the major public agencies such as the health service, the police, the environment agency and the city council, including elected councillors.

All these partners are working together to achieve the vision outlined in this document over the next few years. We hope you share our vision.

Chair's foreword



This is a snapshot of our updated Sustainable Community Strategy for the city of Brighton and Hove. It's our vision for how we want the city to be for the benefit of all who live and work here as well as the millions who come and visit us.

The Strategy is like a recipe which when cooked to perfection by all the many masterchefs working together will create the most deliciously tasting food. This summary highlights just some of the vital ingredients. For the full recipe please see a copy of the Strategy document either in printed form or on-line at www.B&HSP.co.uk

We live in challenging times with significant organisational changes being introduced to ensure every pound is being spent wisely. There has never been a more important time to work together.

My thanks as always to colleagues from all the partnerships and organisations who work so hard to achieve the best for the city.

Roger French

Roger French OBE DL, Chair, Brighton & Hove Strategic Partnership



01 Promoting enterprise and learning

We want a vibrant, socially and culturally diverse city with a wide range of job opportunities supported by accessible child care. A city that supports businesses to grow, encourages investment, innovation and a healthy and sustainable economy, and actively promotes learning and training opportunities for people of all ages.

We will do this by

- creating a wide range of job opportunities
- supporting businesses to grow
- encouraging investment
- promoting learning
- promoting training





02

Reducing crime and improving safety

We want a place in which children, young people and adults can be and feel safe by the fair enforcement of the law and preventing and reducing crime and fear of crime.

We will do this by

- addressing the root causes of Crime
- reducing crime in public places and alcohol related disorder
- encouraging diversification of the night time economy
- reducing offending by priority and prolific offenders
- improving the safety of children
- reducing race, hate, domestic violence, anti social behaviour
- improving the physical environment, infrastructure and quality of life



03

Improving health and well-being

We want a place where there is a shared vision to improve health, care and well-being for everyone living and working in the city and for generations to come, by improving the conditions which influence our health, and by promoting healthy lifestyles, treating illnesses, providing care and support and reducing inequalities in health.

We will do this by

- improving conditions that improve health
- promoting healthy lifestyles
- treating illnesses
- improving care and support



04 Strengthening communities and involving people

We want a place where communities are strong, inclusive and cohesive and have opportunities to get involved and influence decision making. A place where individuals are able to take advantage of opportunities to improve their quality of life. A place where the third sector is thriving to enable and support community engagement and provide services to diverse communities.

We will do this by:

- supporting community cohesion
- strengthening community engagement
- deepening involvement of local communities
- promoting active citizenship
- supporting our thriving third sector



05 Improving housing and affordability

We want to enable healthy homes, healthy lives and a healthy city that reduces inequality and offers independence, choice and a high quality of life.

We will do this by:

- improving housing supply
- improving housing quality
- improving housing support



06 Living within environmental limits and enhancing the environment

We aspire to a healthy, just society, living within environmental limits by achieving a sustainable economy, promoting good governance and using sound science responsibly.

We will do this by:

- cutting city greenhouse gas emissions
- preparing for climate change
- reducing pollution and waste
- improving recycling and planning
- working towards a sustainable food system
- ensuring a secure water supply for the city in the future
- getting Brighton & Hove designated as a Biosphere Reserve to enhance the city and its surroundings for people and wildlife





07 Promoting sustainable transport

We want an integrated and accessible transport system, that enables people to travel around and access services as safely and freely as possible while minimising damage to the environment and contributing to a safer, cleaner, quieter and healthier city.

We will do this by:

- reducing carbon emissions
- improving physical and mental well-being, community safety, air quality and reducing noise pollution
- providing access to quality services
- using resources more efficiently by addressing these through a sustainable and equitable transport system



08 Providing quality advice and information services

We want a place where residents can readily access free advice and information that they can rely on in order to help them to deal with difficult situations, avoid dependency on services and achieve their aspirations.

We will do this by

- empowering residents to understand their rights and responsibilities and solve their problems
- enabling residents to advance, achieve their aspirations and realise their potential
- preventing social exclusion, financial exclusion, child poverty, family breakdown, domestic abuse, housing need and homelessness through early intervention
- promoting positive change by evidencing the barriers residents face to equality, inclusion and employment

