Statement of Case

Brighton Marina

Planning Application Reference BH2007/03454

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Submitted on behalf of the

Brighton and Hove Economic Partnership 8-11 Pavilion Buildings Brighton BN1 1EE The Brighton and Hove Economic Partnership (BHEP) is an independent partnership of 38 individuals representing the various sectors of the local economic in the city of Brighton & Hove.

BHEP devises the economic strategy for the city in consultation with a wide range of stakeholders and represents the business community on the city's Local Strategic Partnership, Public Service Board, Business Retention & Inward Investment Board and the Strategic Housing Partnership.

BHEP will in evidence set out the economic merits of the proposals by Explore Living to regenerate the western sector of Brighton Marina. In doing so, it will examine the economic benefits having regard to:

- Policies contained within the South East Plan (May 2009)
- Policies contained within the Local Plan (2005)
- The Regional Economic Strategy (RES)
- The Brighton & Hove City Region or Functional Economic Area; what the Regional Development Agency (RDA) terms the "Diamond for Growth and Investment"
- The city of Brighton & Hove
- Brighton Marina District Centre

BHEP's evidence will draw upon the following documents:

- The South East Plan (May 2009)
- The Local Plan (2005)
- The Regional Economic Strategy
- Brighton and Hove Strategic Housing Market Assessment (DTZ, 2008)
- Brighton and Hove Housing Needs Survey (DCA 2005)1991 and 2001 Census data
- Brighton and Hove Employment & Skills Plan 2007/8 2010/11 (Brighton and Hove City Council, 2007)
- Brighton and Hove Employment Land Study (Roger Tym & Partners, August 2006)

Other applicable surveys, background documents and policy documents will also be drawn upon within evidence where appropriate.

BHEP's evidence will demonstrate that the Brighton Marina Regeneration Project will make an important contribution to the economic growth of the City and the region and as such, should be granted planning permission on appeal.

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