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31 January 2019	Brighton & Hove City Council

DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting of the Council for the hearing of deputations from members of the public. Each deputation may be heard for a maximum of five minutes following which one Member of the Council, nominated by the Mayor, may speak in response. It shall then be moved by the Mayor and voted on without discussion that the deputation be thanked for attending and its subject matter noted.

Notification of three Deputations has been received. The spokesperson is entitled to speak for 5 minutes.

(1) Deputation concerning Parking Restrictions within Westbourne Ward

Spokesperson Mr Ivan Lyons

Supported by:
Ivan & Nina Lyons
Tony & Patricia Mernagh-Thompson
Lucy & Adrian Egan
Louise Thomas
John & Julia Riches
Martin & Helen Green
Sarah & Matt Warren

Ward affected: Westbourne

Councillor Mitchell, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee will reply.

(2) Deputation concerning Climate Change

Spokesperson Claudia Fisher Representing Extinction Rebellion Brighton (Brighton resident and mother of five)

Supported by:
Paul Gape
Alison Plaumer
Daniel Fitzpatrick
Alice Doyle
Martin Osborne

Ward affected: All

Councillor Mitchell, Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee will reply.

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(1) Deputation concerning Parking Restrictions within Westbourne Ward

Thank you for the opportunity to speak to you today.

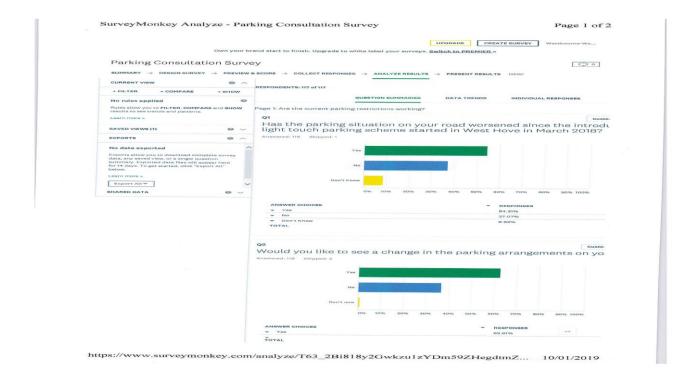
- 1. Overview of the issue Since the light touch parking scheme started in Est West Hove in March 2018 in Zone L, residents in Zone W (particularly in the eastern end) have found a large increase in parkers.
- 2. Residents have been mentioning the increasing problem on social media. Separately, residents have been complaining about the issue to Cllr Denise Cobb and Ivan Lyons & Charlie Nicholls (Westbourne Conservative Candidates). As a result an on-line survey for residents to express their views & opinions; together with a leaflet drop for those to complete (as an alternative). This was delivered to all residents in the above roads (Zone W) & Modena Rd (Zone R).
- 3. Feedback from residents in the above roads:
 - a. 62% of residents would like to see a change in the parking arrangements;
 - b. 52% of residents would like these roads to adopt Zone R restrictions
 - c. 56% of residents feel if nothing is done the parking problem will worsen;
 - d. 55% of residents feel let down by the Council in not making efforts in seeking their views:
 - e. 41% of respondents (48 households) live within Lawrence Rd.

119 survey responses, Supplementary information enclosed (as at 10/1/19)

4. Request – the main area of concern if for Lawrence Rd residents where drivers appear to shuffle vehicles to this road in the afternoon or at other times when there are parking restrictions (west). Residents are requesting that the council reviews the parking restrictions in this road – the preference being a Zone R situation (non light touch) – permit holders & pay & display only. 60% of Lawrence Rd responses request this & 64% of Raphael Rd.

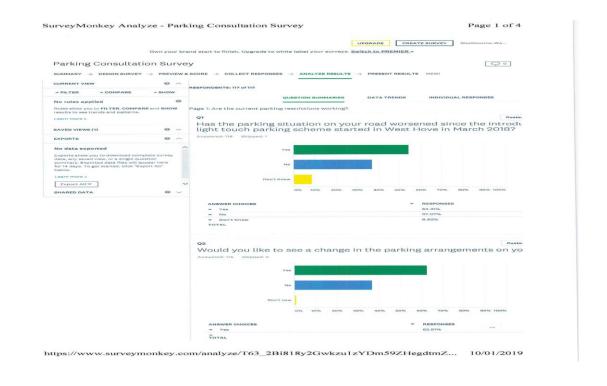
Spokesperson Ivan Lyons

Supporting Information:









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(2) Deputation concerning Climate Change - Spokesperson Claudia Fisher

All over the world, the climate is changing. Published towards the end of last year, the World Meteorological Organisation's report said that 2018 was on course to be the fourth warmest on record. The global average temperature for the first 10 months of 2018 was nearly 1C above the levels between 1850-1900. The WMO's State of the Climate report confirms that the 20 warmest years on record have been in the past 22 years, with the 2015-2018 making up the top four. If the trend continues, the WMO says temperatures may rise by 3-5C by the year 2100. WMO Deputy Secretary-General Elena Manaenkova explains:

Every fraction of a degree of warming makes a difference to human health and access to food and fresh water, to the extinction of animals and plants, to the survival of coral reefs and marine life. It makes a difference to economic productivity, food security, and to the resilience of our infrastructure and cities. It makes a difference to the speed of glacier melt and water supplies [...]. Every extra bit matters.

In Australia last month, extreme heat killed 23,000 of flying foxes in a matter of days. We are experiencing the largest period of species extinction in the last 60 million years. As well as biodiversity and the ecosystem, humans will suffer too. You will be aware of the devastating fires in Greece and California last year, the floods in Kerala and Japan. Millions were affected, hundreds lost their lives; homes and livelihoods were destroyed.

But climate disaster it is not just far away in distant lands, but right here. Here - on our Brighton and Hove doorsteps, quite literally! With polar ice caps melting at an alarming rate and the sea levels rising it is likely that, if temperatures are allowed to rise more than 1.5C above pre-industrial levels, parts of Brighton and Hove will be permanently under water, in only a few years.

The unrest and uncertainty of a no-deal Brexit are nothing in comparison to what society will have to deal with in the face of runaway climate change.ⁱⁱ Mass migration, unmanageable demands on the NHS, economic uncertainty; it is your public duty to protect citizens from this type of scenario. iii

According to the UN IPCC's October 2018 report we only have 11 years before the 1.5C 'guard rail' is exceeded. If warming increased to 2C or more the consequences for future generations of Brighton and Hove will be dire on so many levels. iv

If this has convinced you that we are on the brink of climate disaster, then supporting the climate emergency resolution in Brighton & Hove is the right thing to do right. Of course, as individual residents we can all do our bit; we can choose to line-dry clothes, install solar panels, swap to electric cars, eat less meat, use green energy and so on. But that is simply not enough.

Globally governments need to act, and to act fast. It is their duty to take measures that citizens cannot, that is why individual councils declaring a climate emergency is so powerful. So far, along with BHCC, several councils have taken this brave step and many more are in discussion about doing so in 2019. Our forward-thinking city should be at the forefront of this movement.

XR's mission is to put pressure on the UK Government to declare a climate emergency. Once the majority of councils across the UK have taken this step, the UK Government cannot stand back and do little, as they are now. They will have to act to save us all.

We trust the council will make the bold move of actioning and ensuring proper funding for this proposal, with the aim of reducing its carbon emissions to zero at the heart of everything done in BHCC's name. In the words of the World Meteorological Organisation's Secretary-General Petteri Taalas 'we are the first generation to fully understand climate change and the last generation to be able to do something about it'.