# EXTRACT FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENVIRONMENT CABINET MEMBER MEETING HELD ON 30 JULY 2009

### **ENVIRONMENT CABINET MEMBER MEETING**

#### 4.00PM 30 JULY 2009

## **COMMITTEE ROOM 1, HOVE TOWN HALL**

## **MINUTES**

**Present**: Councillor G Theobald (Cabinet Member)

**Also in attendance**: Councillors McCaffery (Opposition Spokesperson, Labour) and Davey (Opposition Spokesperson, Green)

**Other Members present**: Councillors Barnett, Bennett, Janio, Kennedy, Kitcat, Lepper, Pidgeon, Randall and Rufus

#### 18 LETTERS FROM COUNCILLORS

## 18(a) Letter – downland mowing policy

- 18.1 A letter was received from Councillor Morgan, on behalf of the Environment & Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Committee, calling for review of the downland mowing policy on a site by site basis (for copy see minute book).
- 18.2 Councillor Rufus, member of the Environment & Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Committee, and specialist ecologist spoke on behalf of the committee.
- 18.3 The Cabinet Member explained he had met with some of the members of 'Friends of' groups and appreciated the support they gave the council in managing the green spaces for wildlife; he would be meeting with them again in coming months.
- 18.4 The Cabinet Member offered Councillors Rufus and Morgan a meeting with the Assistant Director for City Services to discuss the issue further.
- 18.5 **RESOLVED** That the letter be noted.