Council	Agenda Item 100
28 January 2021	Brighton & Hove City Council

## NOTICE OF MOTION GREEN GROUP AND LABOUR GROUP

## **COP 26 & WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS**

Council notes that this year the UK is hosting COP26, a key forum focusing on climate change and actions that will affect the wellbeing of future generations. Council also notes the progress of the Wellbeing of Future Generations Bill, following the adoption of a similar Bill in Wales, that confers a statutory duty on councils in Wales to consider how decisions will impact upon wellbeing now and into the future

## Council therefore resolves to:

- express its support for a Wellbeing For Future Generations Act and associated impact locally, that would require public bodies to consider how decisions made now affect future needs, and tackle persistent problems such as poverty, health inequalities and climate change;
- further to the government's 10 point Environment Plan, to ask the Chief Executive to write to government to request that local councils are given the funding and powers needed to take action on the wellbeing of future generations, by implementing climate and ecological emergency action by 2030, further to the meeting of COP 26 in the UK this year.

And further, calls on Policy & Resources Committee to address the wellbeing of future generations in our city, through:

- Agreeing to commission a report to review options for how council can ensure, through cross-party and city-wide collaboration, that the impact of decisions on future generations are adequately understood, risk assessed and analysed;
- that as part of this work, councillors agree to review, through the annual KPI
  report and other processes, a yearly appraisal of long-term economic, social,
  environmental and cultural trends, and to use these trends to publish additional
  'future generations' impact assessments' in council reports for decision;

Proposed by: Cllr Phillips Seconded by: Cllr Platts

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