Council	Agenda Item 133
25 March 2021	Brighton & Hove City Council

NOTICE OF MOTION

GREEN GROUP

CLIMATE AND ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY BILL

Council notes that we have cross party, declared a climate and ecological emergency, hosted the city's first climate assembly and youth climate assembly and have published our first Carbon Neutral programme. Council also notes that there is a Bill before Parliament—the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill (published as the "Climate and Ecology Bill")—according to which the Government must develop an emergency strategy to limit global temperature increase to 1.5 degrees C above pre-industrial levels. [1]

Council therefore resolves to:

• Support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill, through encouraging local MPs to support this bill in Parliament, and through writing to the CEE Bill Alliance,

Further, council also resolves to:

- Continue cross party work on climate by pledging to join the UK100, the alliance of local government leaders for cleaner, more powerful communities. This pledge asks councillors to:
 - pledge to assess our largest impacts on climate change, prioritise where action needs to be taken and measure and monitor progress towards targets.
 - reduce our emissions at source and limit the use of carbon offsets as part of the global effort to avoid the worst impacts of climate change;
- Continue cross party work to ensure Carbon Neutrality by 2030, including through joining lobbying calls of the UK100 partnership of local government.

Proposed by: Cllr Heley Seconded by: Cllr Mac Cafferty

Supporting Information

- [1] The CEE Bill requires that the UK plays its fair and proper role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions consistent with limiting global temperature increase to 1.5 degrees C above pre-industrial temperatures; and
 - ensures that all the UK's consumption emissions are accounted for:
 - protects and restores biodiverse habitats along overseas supply chains;
 - restores and regenerates the UK's depleted soils, wildlife habitats and species populations to healthy and robust states, maximising their capacity to absorb CO₂ and their resistance to climate heating;
 - sets up an independent Citizens' Assembly, representative of the UK's population, to engage with Parliament and Government and help develop the emergency strategy.

[2] https://www.uk100.org/

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