

Brighton & Hove City Council

Council

Agenda Item 70

Subject: Solidarity with our communities against hate

Date of meeting: 14 December 2023

Proposer: Councillor Earthey
Seconder: Councillor Fishleigh

Ward(s) affected: All

Brighton & Hove Independents Group Amendment

That deletions are made as shown with ~~strike through~~ below and additional recommendations are added as shown in **bold italics** below:

That this council notes:

- 1) Brighton and Hove's status as a City of Sanctuary for all those fleeing persecution, conflict, hatred, and discrimination.
- 2) Brighton and Hove's longstanding, cross-party commitment to stand against hatred in all its forms.

3) That The Geneva Academy records more than 114 armed conflicts currently taking place across the globe. <https://geneva-academy.ch/galleries/today-s-armed-conflicts>

4) The concerns raised with us by residents: Jewish, Muslim, people of all faiths and none, in regard to the loss of human life in Israel and in Palestine, *in numerous political, ethnic, and religious conflicts across the world* and the need to offer support to all residents *affected by these conflicts*. ~~by this conflict.~~

Therefore, resolves to:

5) Unequivocally condemn all forms of hate and intolerance expressed against minority ethnic, religious, political, gender, and sexual-orientation groups, ~~antisemitism and Islamophobia~~ and to reaffirm our position that hate **and intolerance** will not be tolerated **is not acceptable** in Brighton and Hove; further, to reaffirm our status as a City of Sanctuary **whilst recognising the City's housing crisis**.

6) Request that the council's communications department ~~considers publicising~~ **publicises** our stance against hatred and **intolerance, and provides** the contact details of organisations who can assist with the reporting of a hate crime, in liaison with the city's One Voice and Interfaith partners;

~~6) Request that the Chief Executive write to the Foreign Secretary urging the instigation of a refugee scheme designed to provide safe routes for all those fleeing~~

~~violence in Israel and in Palestine, and to call on the government to support the release of all hostages, and to join urgent calls for a permanent ceasefire to prevent more loss of life.~~

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Recommendations to read if carried:

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Therefore, resolves to:

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