CABINET

Agenda Item 120(b)

Brighton & Hove City Council

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Brighton & Hove City Council King's House Grand Avenue Hove BN3 2LS

Councillor Mary Mears Leader Brighton & Hove City Council King's House Grand Avenue Hove BN3 2LS Date: 26/11/10 Our Ref: CTEOSC09 Your Ref:

Dear Cllr Mears

PUBLIC REALM IN BRIGHTON & HOVE

I am writing to you in my capacity as the Chair of the Culture, Tourism and Enterprise Overview and Scrutiny Committee (CTEOSC).

At our meeting in September, the Committee had an excellent presentation on the city's Legibility Study including the Streetscape Design Guidelines.

The Committee were impressed both by the depth and breadth of consultation behind the guidelines, as well as by the content of the guidelines themselves. We were informed that in order to successfully police the guidelines, the Public Space Public Life Study had recommended that two dedicated Public Realm posts were needed, one to lead realisation, and the other to enforce the standards of the Public Realm vision.

Given the benefits of the guidelines to the city, including attracting more people into the city, improving safety and sustainability and reducing the amount of money spent unnecessarily, the Committee agreed that I should write to you as Leader of the Council welcoming the guidelines and urging that the issue is included as part of the current restructuring process.

I enclose a copy of the minutes from the CTEOSC meeting for your information and I would welcome your comments on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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