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Dear John,

Older People's Council & Changes to Governance Arrangements

We understand that Brighton and Hove City Council is likely to be moving to new governance arrangements in May 2012.

As you are aware the Older People's Council is a directly elected body representing older people within Brighton, Hove and Portslade.

I am writing to request that the OPC is granted a non-voting co-opted place on each of the policy committees relevant to older people established under the new system and also on the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee if retained.

Giving the OPC a seat on each committee would allow the voice of older people to be heard during the decision-making process. This can only be a good thing for the council, older people and the quality of decision-making in the city.

I am sure that you will wish to consult with the political groups on the council, but look forward to a prompt response.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair, Older People's Council

