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Dear Sir/Madam,

Brighton and Hove City Council is delighted to be writing to seek membership of the Age Friendly City network.

A city of approximately 270,000 Brighton and Hove is located on the south coast of Great Britain. The estimated population of those aged 60 and over is just over 48,000, with 2,200 of those over 90.

We are already unique within the UK having a democratically elected body, the Older People's Council (OPC), to represent the views of older people in the city. Indeed it was the OPC that spearheaded the campaign for this application. Supported by AgeUK Brighton & Hove, Pensioner Action, Community Service Volunteers (CSV), CVSF-FED, Carer's Group and the Alzheimer's Society this application represents a coming together of older people's groups and the council as we listen to our older residents and respond to their needs.

The age-friendly cities initiative would help provide the city of Brighton & Hove with expertise and advice as we seek to improve the city's offer to its older residents, something to which the council and partners are committed.

We are hopeful that you will consider our application favourably and look forward to working with you in the future.

Yours faithfully,



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