TRANSPORT COMMITTEE	Agenda Item 16 (c)
2 OCTOBER 2012	Brighton & Hove City Council

## **DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting of the Council for the hearing of deputations from members of the public. Each deputation may be heard for a maximum of five minutes.

Three Deputations received:

- (iv) The Kemp Town Society objects to the route of City Sightseers through the Estate
  - 1. The construction of the buildings render them susceptible to vibration from heavy vehicles.
  - 2. The buildings cannot be painted with corrosive resistant paints.
  - 3. The parking bays narrow road too much for the regular passage of large vehicles safely.
  - 4. Elderly residents and young families are at serious risk from the frequent large vehicles.
  - 5. The route could include a Bus Stop in Marine Parade to allow tourists to appreciate the set piece design of the Estate.
  - 6. The route's application to the Transport Commission made no mention of the Estate.

(Spokespersons)- Derek De Young- CAG representative of the Kemp Town Society / Roger Amerena- CAG representative of the Ancient Monuments Society

(v) Support for the traffic development plans for the Old Town from a local business point of view

(Spokesperson)- Olivia Reid (Regency)

(vi) Deputation to postpone any changes to traffic regulations in Queens Place BN1

I am the freeholder of 16 Queens Place and have been renting the building as a warehouse and offices to my company George Rose Office Products Ltd for a period of over 20 years. In 1999 the Council introduced the present combination of single and double yellow lines including loading and unloading allowing us to use the warehouse. At the same time introducing restrictions on the warehouse of opening at 7am-6.30pm

Monday-Friday and no opening on Saturday or Sunday. Since 1999 there has only been 1 complaint from the Council to us in 2001 when a member of staff had unwittingly opened our shutter to the warehouse at 6.50am. That is until July of this year when a notice was posted on a lamppost proposing the changes of double yellow lines and no unloading or loading outside our warehouse. My points are as follows:-

- 1 No discussion prior to the notice allowing us time to plan and relocate the business and staff affected.
- 2 There is an obvious change of policy regarding mixed sites without any previous discussion or warning to local businesses. For example apart from
  - Ourselves the building opposite in Queens Place has just had a change of use and some £130,000 on refurbishment to become a Yoga studio.
  - There is another shop Brighthouse in London Road that is threatening closure if they cannot unload in Queens Place
- 3 If the proposals are implemented with no delay our business cannot survive.

## Summary

My main concern is for my own staff and business. I am therefore requesting a postponement of any changes for a period 18-24 months to allow us time to prepare/submit plans

For 16 Queens Place and to relocate the business with minimum loss of staff.

(Spokesperson)- Harry Nicholson (St Peter's & North Laine)