POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 53(b)

11 October 2012

Brighton & Hove City Council

Ms Catherine Vaughan
Acting Chief Executive
Brighton & Hove City Council

18th September 2012

Dear Catherine,

Request for review of political balance of council committees

I would request that this letter is placed on the agenda of the Policy and Resources Committee for its meeting on 11th October 2012.

Given that the Green Group of Councillors has voted by a majority to remove one of its members and has submitted the necessary notification to you, I am requesting that a review of the political balance of each of the council's committees is undertaken with a report to the next full council meeting on the outcome.

The Green Administration have taken the recent steps to remove a member from their group in the full knowledge of the implications that this may have for the political balance of decision making on council committees and it is important for all councillors to have full knowledge of the facts and to be able to take a decision on any new configuration of committee places.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Gill Mitchell Leader of the Labour & Co-operative Group