

**POLICY & RESOURCES
COMMITTEE**

Agenda Item 169 (c)(i)

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Notice of Motion : Integrating a Financial and Digital Inclusion Strategy

Date of Meeting: 1 May 2014

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Wards Affected: All

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NOTICE OF MOTION

INTEGRATING A FINANCIAL AND DIGITAL INCLUSION STRATEGY

“This council resolves:

To request the Policy & Resources Committee to consider implementing a warning system about pay day lenders on all council computers and via publically accessible internet connections provided by the Council, including libraries. This would ensure a warning about pay day lenders is displayed if a user attempts to access a known pay day lending site, and the suggestion made that they instead access information on the Money Advice Service and East Sussex Credit Union and other responsible lenders. There should remain an option on the page for users to choose to continue to the requested site if they wish.”

Supporting Information:

Several local authorities have already banned access to pay day lenders websites via their computers, including

- Blackpool
(<http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/News/Articles/2013/October/Blackpool-Council-bans-access-to-payday-loans-websites.aspx>)
- Bolton
(http://www.theboltonnews.co.uk/news/10634734.Payday_loan_websites_banned_from_council_computers/)
- Durham(http://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/10833280.Council_bans_internet_access_to_payday_loans_from_its_computers/)
- Nottingham
(<http://m.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=25533>)