# ENVIRONMENT CABINET MEMBER MEETING

# Agenda Item 106

**Brighton & Hove City Council** 

Subject: Petitions

Date of Meeting: 19 February 2009

Report of: Acting Director of Strategy & Governance

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**Key Decision:** No

Wards Affected: Various

#### FOR GENERAL RELEASE

## 1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 To receive the following petitions presented at Council on 29 January and any petitions presented directly to the Environment Cabinet Member Meeting.
- **106. (i)** To receive the following petition presented at Council on 29 January by Councillor Kemble and signed by 109 people:

We the undersigned call upon Brighton & Hove City Council to seek to re open the public right of way located to the East of Blue Lagoon public house, which has existed for in excess of 60 years.

**106. (ii)** To receive the following petition presented at Council on 29 January by Councillor Davis and signed by 372 people:

Traffic speed at the eastern end of Goldsmid Ward.

We the undersigned urge the Council to implement measures to reduce the speed limit to 20 mph and stop dangerous and speeding cars driving through our roads.

**106.** (iii) To receive the following petition presented at Council on 29 January by Councillor Davis and signed by 29 people:

The Residents of Shirley Street in Hove would like the following issues addressed:

- Not being able to park with a residents permit on our street after 6pm
- Speeding cars and motorbikes
- Flooding at the Sackville Road end of Shirley Street

**106. (iv)** To receive the following petition presented at Council on 29 January by Councillor McCaffery and signed by 77 people:

I wish to register my objection to the proposal to insert double yellow lines at the junction of Southdown Avenue and Grantham roads together with markings for a loading bay on Grantham Road.

#### **Double Yellow Lines**

There is a dire shortage of residential parking in this area and the addition of so large a run of yellow lines will remove approximately 24 car parking spaces. I do not believe that this is justified.

## The Loading bay

Southdown Avenue is in a conservation area. I cannot see that the addition of a loading bay or commercial vehicles can be seen as enhancing the residential area. I am not aware of any other loading bays in the area.

**106. (v)** To receive the following petition presented at Council on 29 January by Councillor McCaffery and signed by 30 people:

The undersigned residents of Preston Mansions, Preston Park Avenue are opposed to controlled parking in Preston Park Avenue for two major reasons listed below:

- 1. We are not eligible for residents parking permits. Each apartment has only one off street parking space. Other cars would be subject to extortionate parking costs £2.50 for every 4 hours. Also 4 hour parking restriction is totally impractical and would impact on surrounding streets and the environment
- 2. Removing the double yellow lines from outside Preston Mansions and replacing them with residents parking would place pedestrians, park users, cyclists and drivers at a high risk of accidents because of the size of the road and the traffic systems which feed into the road.
- **106. (vi)** To receive the following petition presented at Council on 29 January by Councillor Davey and signed by 29 people:

We, the undersigned residents of Stroudley Road In the New England Quarter Brighton request that the council replace some of the existing disabled parking bays with visitors bays. Whilst of course we do support the provision of disabled bays we feel that in this instance there is a need to address what is clearly an imbalance that does not serve the best interests of any residents.

**106.** (vii) To receive the following petition presented at Council on 29 January by Councillor Bennett and signed by 28 people:

We, the undersigned, call upon Brighton & Hove City Council to introduce parking restrictions in our part of Stanford Ward instead of imposing the Council's proposed parking scheme.

The restrictions would include a single yellow line with parking prohibited for one hour each day on weekdays only. The restrictions would therefore be

very similar to those already successfully operating in Hove Park Road and adjacent roads to the south.

We want this restriction to be extended to include Shirley Avenue and the remainder of Shirley Drive, Tredcroft Road and Bennet Drive and Benett Avenue.

In addition, there would be a reasonable number of parking bays allowing parking for up to 11 hours a day.

The Council's consultation documentation did not offer parking restrictions as an alternative to the Council's permit scheme and this petition is therefore to request parking restrictions and it over-rides my consultation response.