## CULTURE, RECREATION AND TOURISM CABINET MEMBER MEETING

## Agenda Item 89

**Brighton & Hove City Council** 

From: Jason Kitcat [jason.kitcat@brighton-hove.gov.uk] Sent: 03 February 2009 09:14 To: David Smith Cc: Caroline De Marco; Mailing List: Councillors Green Subject: Culture, Recreation & Tourism: Letter for Cabinet Member Meeting 24th March 2009

Dear Councillor David Smith

I am writing to ask to be able to address your Cabinet Member Meeting on 24th March 2009 to discuss a proposal for the city's libraries.

With the economic difficulties the country is currently experiencing, the cold weather we have been having and energy bills remaining high, I would like to propose a simple measure which could help local residents reduce their energy use. This would also help them to save money and reduce their carbon footprint.

I would like to ask that you consider providing energy meters for loan from our city's public libraries. These meters are cheap, durable and very portable. They could be provided on loan from our libraries for residents to better understand which patterns of use and which of their appliances use the most energy.

This is already being done in other public libraries, such as those in Ottawa, Canada.

I hope you will consider this idea and I look forward to discussing it with you at your meeting.

Sincerely

**Cllr Jason Kitcat** 

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