

Councillors Gill Mitchell and Emma Daniel
Chairs, Environment, Transport and Sustainability
Committee and NICE Committee,
Brighton & Hove City Council
Hove Town Hall
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16th July 2018

Dear Councillors Mitchell and Daniel

Re: Enforcement in George St of Byelaw Banning Touting

Further to discussions I have been having with the Council's Head of Law, please consider this a formal request that a report is brought to the next appropriate committee (ET&S or NICE Committee) regarding the practical implications of enforcing the following clause of the attached byelaw as follows;

'5. No person shall in any street or public place for the purpose of selling or advertising any article or obtaining custom tout or importune to the annoyance or obstruction of passengers.'

My request is in order to deal with complaints from businesses in George St, Hove, where charity 'chuggers' are obstructing members of the public and in some instances accused of intimidating passers-by. Given George St is a challenging retail business environment, any help we can give in making sure shoppers and visitors are not put off by charity fund collectors will be welcomed.

Should there be alternative means of deterring chuggers in George St (such as a new bye-law or PSPO), please do include them for consideration.

Thank you in advance.

Yours sincerely,



Councillor Andrew Wealls

Cc Councillors Moonan and Wares
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