ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 73

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Items referred from 31 January Full Council

meeting

Date of Meeting: 19 March 2019

Report of: Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance

& Law

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Wards Affected: Various

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1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

1.1 To receive the following deputations referred from the full Council meeting held on the 31 January 2019.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

2.1 That the Committee responds to the deputations either by noting them or where it is considered more appropriate, calls for an officer report on the matter which may give consideration to a range of options and writes to the deputation spokesperson setting out the committee's decision(s).

3. **DEPUTATIONS**

3.1 To receive the following extract from the minutes of the full council meeting setting out the deputation and any supporting papers are set out in Item 73 (c) (i).

(1) Deputation concerning Parking Restrictions within Westbourne Ward

Spokesperson Ivan Lyons

Supported by:

Nina Lyons

Tony & Patricia Mernagh-Thompson

Lucy & Adrian Egan

Louise Thomas

John & Julia Riches

Martin & Helen Green

Sarah & Matt Warren

Ward affected: Westbourne

3.2 To receive the following extract from the minutes of the full council meeting setting out the deputation and any supporting papers are set out in Item 73 (a) (ii).

(2) Deputation concerning Climate ChangeSpokesperson Ms. Claudia Fisher

Supported by: Paul Gape Alison Plaumer Daniel Fitzpatrick Alice Doyle Martin Osborne

Ward affected: All

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BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL

4.30pm 31 JANUARY 2019

COUNCIL CHAMBER - BRIGHTON TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Simson (Chair), Phillips (Deputy Chair), Allen, Atkinson,

Barford, Bell, Bennett, Bewick, Brown, Cattell, Chapman, Cobb, Daniel, Deane, Druitt, Gibson, Greenbaum, Hamilton, Hill, Horan, Hyde, Janio, Knight, Lewry, Littman, Mac Cafferty, Marsh, Meadows, Mears, Miller, Mitchell, Moonan, Morris, Nemeth, A Norman, K Norman, O'Quinn, Page, Peltzer Dunn, Platts, Robins, Sykes, Taylor, C Theobald,

G Theobald, Wares, Wealls, West and Yates.

PART ONE

62 DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

(1) PARKING RESTRICTIONS WITHIN WESTBOURNE WARD

- 62.1 The Mayor reported that two deputations had been received from members of the public and invited Mr. Lyons as the spokesperson for the first deputation to come forward and address the council.
- 62.2 Mr. Lyons thanked the Mayor and stated that he was putting forward the deputation on behalf of the residents of Lawrence Road and the surrounding area in the hope that the council would review the parking arrangements for Westbourne. He stated that residents in parking Zone W had suffered from changes to Zone L which had led to people moving their into the area and shuffling between spaces outside of the

restricted hours. As such and following a survey of the affected residents, the deputation asked for the parking restrictions to be reviewed and the residents consulted with a view to introducing a full parking scheme in Zone W. He referred to the outcome of the survey as detailed in the deputation and hoped that action could be taken to improve the residents' situation.

- 62.3 Councillor Mitchell thanked Mr. Lyons for attending the meeting and speaking on behalf of the deputation. She stated that she would be happy to carefully consider the deputation at the committee meeting and determine what action should then be taken.
- 62.4 The Mayor thanked Mr. Lyons for attending the meeting and speaking on behalf of the deputation. She explained that the points had been noted and the deputation would be referred to the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee for consideration. The persons forming the deputation would be invited to attend the meeting and would be informed subsequently of any action to be taken or proposed in relation to the matter set out in the deputation.

Deputation:

(1) Parking Restrictions within Westbourne Ward

"Thank you for the opportunity to speak to you today."

- Overview of the issue Since the light touch parking scheme started in Est West Hove in March 2018 in Zone L, residents in Zone W (particularly in the eastern end) have found a large increase in parkers.
- 2. Residents have been mentioning the increasing problem on social media. Separately, residents have been complaining about the issue to Cllr Denise Cobb and Ivan Lyons & Charlie Nicholls (Westbourne Conservative Candidates). As a result an on-line survey for residents to express their views & opinions; together with a leaflet drop for those to complete (as an alternative). This was delivered to all residents in the above roads (Zone W) & Modena Rd (Zone R).
- 3. Feedback from residents in the above roads:
- a. 62% of residents would like to see a change in the parking arrangements;
- b. 52% of residents would like these roads to adopt Zone R restrictions
- c. 56% of residents feel if nothing is done the parking problem will worsen;
- d. 55% of residents feel let down by the Council in not making efforts in seeking their views:
- e. 41% of respondents (48 households) live within Lawrence Rd.

119 survey responses, Supplementary information enclosed (as at 10/1/19)

4. Request – the main area of concern if for Lawrence Rd residents where drivers appear to shuffle vehicles to this road in the afternoon or at other times when there are parking restrictions (west). Residents are requesting that the council reviews the parking restrictions in this road – the preference being a Zone R situation (non light touch) – permit holders & pay & display only. 60% of Lawrence Rd responses request this & 64% of Raphael Rd."

Subject: Climate Change – Deputation:

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(2) CLIMATE CHANGE

- 62.5 The Mayor invited Ms. Fisher as the spokesperson for the second deputation to come forward and address the council. The Mayor also noted that the first petition listed for debate under Item 63(1) on the agenda related to the same subject as the deputation. She stated that she was therefore inclined to take the deputation and the petition together before calling on Councillor Mitchell to respond to both and then opening the matter up for debate.
- 62.6 Ms. Fisher thanked the Mayor and stated that she represented Extinction Rebellion which was an interest group of ordinary people who wanted to ensure a world fit for generations to come. She noted that average global temperatures were increasing and that without any action being taken it was likely to lead to the extinction of species across the world. It also meant that a climate disaster was literally on the city's doorstep, an increase of 1.5 degrees would see areas of Brighton and Hove under

water in a matter of years. It was the Council's duty to protect its citizens and there were approximately 11 years left to make a difference and to encourage governments globally to act. If the Council declared a climate emergency then other authorities and governments would have to take notice and look to reduce carbon emissions and support actions to address climate change. She hoped that the Council would support her deputation.

- 62.7 The Mayor thanked Ms. Fisher and stated that she would take the petition for debate listed as Item 63 (1) on the agenda (see separate extract).
- 62.8 Following the debate on the petition presented by Mr. Gunbie, the Mayor thanked Ms. Fisher for attending the meeting and speaking on behalf of the deputation. She stated that the deputation would be referred to the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee for consideration at its meeting on the 19th March, 2019. The persons forming the deputation would be invited to attend the meeting and would be informed subsequently of any action to be taken or proposed in relation to the matter set out in the deputation.

Deputation: Climate Change

"All over the world, the climate is changing. Published towards the end of last year, the World Meteorological Organisation's report said that 2018 was on course to be the fourth warmest on record. The global average temperature for the first 10 months of 2018 was nearly 1C above the levels between 1850-1900. The WMO's State of the Climate report confirms that the 20 warmest years on record have been in the past 22 years, with the 2015-2018 making up the top four. If the trend continues, the WMO says temperatures may rise by 3-5C by the year 2100. WMO Deputy Secretary-General Elena Manaenkova explains:

Every fraction of a degree of warming makes a difference to human health and access to food and fresh water, to the extinction of animals and plants, to the survival of coral reefs and marine life. It makes a difference to economic productivity, food security, and to the resilience of our infrastructure and cities. It makes a difference to the speed of glacier melt and water supplies [...]. Every extra bit matters.

In Australia last month, extreme heat killed 23,000 of flying foxes in a matter of days. We are experiencing the largest period of species extinction in the last 60 million years. As well as biodiversity and the ecosystem, humans will suffer too. You will be aware of the devastating fires in Greece and California last year, the floods in Kerala and Japan. Millions were affected, hundreds lost their lives; homes and livelihoods were destroyed. But climate disaster it is not just far away in distant lands, but right here. Here - on our Brighton and Hove doorsteps, quite literally! With polar ice caps melting at an alarming rate and the sea levels rising it is likely that, if temperatures are allowed to rise more than 1.5C above pre-industrial levels, parts of Brighton and Hove will be permanently under water, in only a few years.

The unrest and uncertainty of a no-deal Brexit are nothing in comparison to what society will have to deal with in the face of runaway climate change. Hass migration, unmanageable demands on the NHS, economic uncertainty; it is your public duty to protect citizens from this type of scenario.

According to the UN IPCC's October 2018 report we only have 11 years before the 1.5C 'guard rail' is exceeded. If warming increased to 2C or more the consequences for future generations of Brighton and Hove will be dire on so many levels. iv

If this has convinced you that we are on the brink of climate disaster, then supporting the climate emergency resolution in Brighton & Hove is the right thing to do right. Of course, as individual residents we can all do our bit; we can choose to line-dry clothes, install solar panels, swap to electric cars, eat less meat, use green energy and so on. But that is simply not enough.

Globally governments need to act, and to act fast. It is their duty to take measures that citizens cannot, that is why individual councils declaring a climate emergency is so powerful. So far, along with BHCC, several councils have taken this brave step and many more are in discussion about doing so in 2019. Our forward-thinking city should be at the forefront of this movement.

XR's mission is to put pressure on the UK Government to declare a climate emergency. Once the majority of councils across the UK have taken this step, the UK Government cannot stand back and do little, as they are now. They will have to act to save us all.

We trust the council will make the bold move of actioning and ensuring proper funding for this proposal, with the aim of reducing its carbon emissions to zero at the heart of everything done in BHCC's name. In the words of the World Meteorological Organisation's Secretary-General Petteri Taalas 'we are the first generation to fully understand climate change and the last generation to be able to do something about it'."