Council	Agenda Item 107
21 January 21	Brighton & Hove City Council

NOTICE OF MOTION

POWER OF YOUTH CHARTER

That this council:

- agrees the importance of including young people's voices in decision-making and commends the recent work on a 'youth engagement' action plan, which was created with young people themselves who worked hard on this initiative to ensure young voices have greater influence
- commends the work of young people at the forefront of the Black Lives Matter movement, the Youth Climate Strikes, and in organising the Youth Climate Assembly
- thanks Brighton and Hove Youth Council, YouthWise and Children in Care Council for their work in formally representing young people within council structures and recognises their importance
- reaffirms its prior commitment to votes at 16

This council therefore:

- agrees, subject to Children, Young People & Skills Committee approval, to sign up to the 'Power of Youth Charter', using the youth engagement report as a basis for showing how we will meet its aims
- requests the Children, Young People & Skills Committee receive a yearly report on actions taken against the Charter across the council
- commits to using our communication channels as councillors and political parties to support the work of young people, as per the charter
- calls for a report to Children, Young People & Skills Committee, no later than April 2021, that:
 - o assesses the methods the Council uses to engage with young people;
 - seeks to improve our communication with young people through a collaborative process; and
 - explores how young people are consulted and their views considered in all local policy decisions that impact them.

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