

# Brighton & Hove City Council

## Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

## Agenda Item 23(2)

**Subject:** Failure to Keep Pavements Safe and Tidy  
Notice of Motion amendment from the Labour Group

**Date of meeting:** 20 September 2022

**Proposer:** Councillor Gary Wilkinson  
**Seconder:** Councillor Nancy Platts

**Ward(s) affected:** All

That the relevant changes are made to the recommendations as shown below in bold italics and as strikethrough:

This Committee resolves to:

1. Note the ineffectiveness of the Council's current **efforts in** ~~policy of~~ keeping pavements free of weeds;
3. **Notes Labour's budget amendments that secured additional funding to tackle weeds on pavements across the city;**
4. Requests an officer report ~~which considers reversing the Administration's unilateral decision of 27th June 2019, and subsequent ETS Committee decision of 26th November 2019 to stop weeding the pavements effectively,~~ with options for a new **alternative methods of weed removal** policy that **are** both cost-effective and environmentally friendly that can be developed and trialled around the city, **and for ongoing consideration of other methods.**

Recommendations to read if carried:

This Committee resolves to:

1. Note the ineffectiveness of the Council's current efforts in keeping pavements free of weeds;
2. Recognise that the Council has a statutory duty to keep pavements free of weeds; and
3. Notes Labour's budget amendments that secured additional funding to tackle weeds on pavements across the city;
4. Requests an officer report with options for alternative methods of weed removal that are both cost-effective and environmentally friendly that can be developed and trialled around the city, and for ongoing consideration of other methods

