Council

Agenda Item 46

Subject: Stop the attack on nature

Date of meeting: 20 October 2022

Ward(s) affected: All

Proposer: Councillor Allbrooke Seconder: Councillor Hills

NOTICE OF MOTION Green Group

This council notes:

- a. Recent government plans to amend or scrap crucial environmental laws which protect some of our most vulnerable nature and wildlife protections across the UK.
- b. Broken promises and commitments from Government to ban harmful practices like the importing of Foie Gras and of fur
- c. the extraordinary number of environmental charities that have called out the governments attack on nature, including the RSPB and The Wildlife Trusts [1]

This council resolves to:

- 1. Request the Chief Executive write to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs outlining this council's wish for strong animal welfare and nature protection legislation
- 2. Request a report to the Tourism, Equalities, Communities and Culture committee exploring a ban on the product 'foie gras' made by force-feeding animals at events organised on council-owned land
- 3. Call for restaurants and retailers who still sell foie gras to cease, securing Brighton & Hove as a 'Foie Gras Free City'
- 4. Endorse Animal Equality UK's campaign to ban Foie Gras
- 5. Request a report to a future meeting of the Children, Young People and Skills committee outlining the progress made the 'Our City, our World' environmental education programme in expanding young people's knowledge and access to nature and the environment

Supporting Information:

[1] <u>Green charities urge millions of members to oppose Tories' 'attack on nature'</u> <u>Environmental activism | The Guardian</u>