

Brighton & Hove City Council

Children, Families & Schools Committee

Agenda Item 18(b)

Subject: Public Involvement – Written Questions

Date of meeting: 11 September 2023

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting for questions submitted by a member of the public.

The question will be answered without discussion. The person who asked the question may ask one relevant supplementary question, which shall be put and answered without discussion. The person to whom a question, or supplementary question, has been put may decline to answer it.

The following written questions have been received from members of the public:

1. Sharing curriculum material with parents

"In a recent letter to headteachers and school leaders (1), the secretary of state for education stated:

"... I have become aware of an increasing number of cases where parents have had concerns about the materials used to teach their children. Some have been prevented from viewing those curriculum materials because their children's schools believed they were unable to do so for commercial reasons. The Department is clear that parents should be able to view all curriculum materials".

Does the Chair agree with me that it is reasonable our schools abide by this requirement when parents have grave concerns?" [99 words]

Notes:

1. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/secretary-of-state-letter-to-schools-about-sharing-curriculum-resources-with-parents>

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