

Brighton & Hove City Council

Transport & Sustainability Committee

Agenda Item 61(a)

Subject: Petitions

Date of meeting: 6 February 2024

Report of: Executive Director for Governance, People & Resources

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Ward(s) affected: All

1. Purpose of the report and policy context

- 1.1 To receive any petitions submitted directly to Democratic Services or any e-Petition submitted via the council's website.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the committee responds to the petition either by noting it or where it is considered more appropriate, calls for an officer report on the matter.

3. Context and background information

- 3.1 To receive the following petition signed by 4 people at the time of publication:

(1) Parking permits for residents of Ansty Close BN2 5GL

We the undersigned petition Brighton & Hove Council to Resident parking only for residents of Ansty Close BN2 5GL Permit parking for residents of Ansty Close BN2 5GL

There are 16 houses in the cul de sac and 16 parking spaces. 2 parking spaces are disabled. The surrounding areas are permitted, as we do not live in the zone we are unable to buy a permit. One resident in the cul de sac buys and sells cars from his home address, he has had up to 9 cars parked in the cul de sac. A member of the public that does not live in the cul de sac park all of their 3 work Brighton & Hove Council repair vans, their B&H council taxi and their 4x4 car. Why can't these vehicles be left in the depot? Or why can't they park their vehicles in the zones as they have permits? When they go on holiday all 5 vehicles just sit there, not being used, usually parked outside my home taking full advantage of our security cameras. It's beyond selfish. As it's free parking the hospital staff also park here despite there being a park and ride at the race course. Vehicles are often left for months at a time, currently a people carrier has been here for 1 month,

not moved and owner lives somewhere else. There's no respect from the non residents, they take up more space than needed, they dump their rubbish and cig ends by the kerb. Cars are being damaged, double parked, very limited access for emergency services to attend, 1 resident had a nasty fall and her immediate care was not possible due to emergency services not being able to gain access to her property. Bin men are not able to manoeuvre. It is impossible for residents to find parking. The parking is getting worse by the day.

(2) Stop removing parking spaces from Zone M

3.2 To receive the following petition signed by 32 people:

We the undersigned petition Brighton & Hove Council to 1) Stop removing parking spaces from Zone M 2) Seek to replace all parking bays removed by the council in the last 5 years. 3) Reduce the price of Zone M residents and visitors permits so they are the same price across the city

Ten years ago it was easy finding a parking space in Zone M. Due to the effect of successive new council policies it is now becoming almost impossible to find a parking space at certain times of the day. The council as well as removing our parking spaces has now decided to charge residents in Zone M a premium for our residents and visitor permits. In addition to this the council is now trying to remove many more Zone M bays in 2024. Enough is enough and we are asking the council to reverse this anti-car policy.