

# Brighton & Hove City Council

**Council**

**Agenda Item 29**

**Subject: Weed Removal**

**Date of meeting: 11 July 2024**

**Proposer: Cllr Alistair McNair**  
**Seconded: Cllr Anne Meadows**

**Ward(s) affected: All**

## **Notice of Motion**

### **Conservative Group**

This Council:

- 1) Acknowledges the use of glyphosate was agreed in February 2024;
- 2) Notes the high volume of complaints Councillors in north Brighton receive about lack of weed removal; the danger of not cutting verge sightlines; the hazard of broken pavements; the risk dogs are exposed to by seeds in long grass; the risk to hay fever sufferers; the unsightly state of the city;
- 3) Notes that mowing is inadequate and that insufficient resources have been allocated to this key election pledge;

This council therefore resolves to call for a report to Cabinet which considers options in relation to the following issues:

- 4) Regular grass-cutting and de-weeding of pavements, sightlines, verges and twittens;
- 5) Clear timelines for weed removal so residents know when their streets will be cleared;
- 6) Prioritizing residential areas where elderly live who are at risk of tripping over weeds and broken paving slabs;
- 7) The prioritisation of the elderly, the disabled, and hay fever sufferers ahead of an ineffective rewilding policy.

