

# Brighton & Hove City Council

## Council

## Agenda Item 35

**Subject:** Petitions

**Date of meeting:** 24 October 2024

**Report of:** Corporate Director for Corporate Services

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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 Council notes the petition(s).

### 3. Context and background information

3.1 To receive the following petition signed by 6 people at time of publication:

#### **Dyke Close Parking Chaos**

We the undersigned petition Brighton & Hove Council to Introduce a light touch parking scheme into Dyke Close. Ever since parking restrictions were introduced in the surrounding areas, the number of cars parking in Dyke Close and blocking the road and our driveways has become unbearable and more importantly dangerous. The Close is used as a parking site and people that park, often do so without consideration and for lengthy stays -often cars are left for weeks.

Our bins are very often not collected because the bin lorry cannot get down the road due to badly parked cars- the bin and recycling drivers themselves have complained about this to their managers.

There was an incident where there was a fire on the corner house of Dyke Close and the fire engine was unable to get down - luckily no lives were lost but the damage was more extensive due to the delay in getting the fire truck down. What happens if this happens to another house and lives are lost?

3.2 To receive the following petition signed by 322 people at time publication:

#### **Save Our Green Spaces**

We the undersigned petition Brighton & Hove Council to draw up a specific set of guidelines/code of conduct, prepared in close collaboration with affected residents and businesses, and that they are adhered to in conjunction with the Council's Outdoor Events Policy.

Residents & businesses, in close proximity to Valley Gardens; Preston Park; Kemp Town; Madeira Drive; Hove Lawns and Hove Park, are not being sufficiently consulted to input into commercial and community events or the issuing of licenses/contracts, in advance of them being agreed. Residents rights, needs and safety must form a fundamental part of any outdoor events strategy. These rights must be upheld by elected council members; officers; council services; council leader and specifically, the outdoor events management team.

We the undersigned residents and businesses welcome outdoor events. However, we demand that changes are applied to the procurement and management of these outdoor events by drawing up a specific set of guidelines/code of conduct, in close collaboration with residents. The residents and businesses events guidelines must be adhered to in conjunction with the Council outdoor events policy.

These guidelines will be used to determine the most appropriate commercial and community events that are desired by the community. Importantly, events should be best suited to the location; venue structure; safety and well-being of residents as well as the surrounding environment.

Guidelines will cover the following topics:

- Procurement Process
- Declaration of Income
- Type of Event
- Environment
- Location
- Notification of Events
- Duration of Events
- Community Benefits
- Participation Numbers
- Responsibility & Safety
- Noise Levels
- Compensation
- License Agreement
- Business Case
- Charges & Fees
- Damage limitation
- Adherence to Outdoor Events Policy