Brighton & Hove City Council

Council Agenda Item 60

Subject: Petitions

Date of meeting: 30 January 2025

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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 82 people at time of publication:

Light Touch Parking Permits for Rottingdean Village

We the undersigned petition Brighton & Hove Council to improve road safety by creating a 'Light Touch' Controlled Parking Zone in the residential area of Rottingdean including the streets and roads east of the confluence of Nevill Road and the A259 fully inclusive of the area East of Newlands Road and bounded in the North by the intersection of The Green and Falmer Road.

Parking of vehicles in Rottingdean is becoming increasingly difficult for residents as available parking is now being used as an unofficial park and ride into Brighton and surrounds with people parking here and getting the bus to and from the city. This being a far cheaper option than parking within Brighton itself. A wide range of vehicles are being dumped or kept here by non residents forcing residents to park a long way from their homes.

The challenges developing are particularly evident as schools empty for the day and, as no casual parking is available, pick up parking is being made illegally increasing congestion and making the roads even more unsafe.

3.2 To receive the following petition signed by 1065 people at time publication:

Brighton & Hove Recycling

The Brighton and Hove wasteful recycling issues aren't going to be successfully tackled without a unified local approach. No politics and no

profiteering. For the city and owned by the city. For households and for local businesses.

There are alternative city made solutions being overlooked intentionally, or, deliberately. These are due a rational explanation of why they've been shunned and sabotaged.

There are residents funding their own solutions who are not supported for being the community champions they are.

Greenboxes carefully used and carefully collected around Brighton and Hove for this the 3oth year are one such trusted local environmental service. Trusted by households, businesses and institutions. Recycling at a peak rate of 80% is amazing given the council services real recycling rate is 20%. A sad way to count to 100%.

Based on publicly available data from the Environment Agency:

First quarter 2023. 700 tonnes out of 3000 for recycling was incinerated

Final quarter also around 1/3 burnt

Real recycling rate less than 20%!

Don't publicly blame the householders, workers, equipment or the weather. Better to claim the issues and work in partnership to be better.

This is not a call to conflict. It's as important to be honest about the problems as it's important to celebrate solutions.

The mission so far is to show what can be done ourselves. Now is the time for what more can be done as one.

We, the people, undersigned ask

- 1) Brighton and Hove City Councillors to fully and responsibly consider all the community owned proposals delivered to officers and councillors.
- That this is to begin with a public meeting such as a forum or an assembly to establish the best endeavours for a better city environment of Cleaner Air and Cleaner Streets