

# Brighton & Hove City Council

**Cabinet**

**Agenda Item 179(b)**

**Subject: Public Questions**

**Date of meeting: 14 May 2026**

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

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

**(1) Working towards cleaner air for Brighton & Hove through improved smoke control areas– Rob Whittingdon**

“Given that Smoke Control Area legislation specifically permits the use of significantly lower emitting DEFRA-exempt appliances and DEFRA authorised smokeless fuels, and given the differing public messages Brighton residents have received in recent years regarding solid fuel use, how does the council intend to ensure that residents are provided with clear and balanced guidance, not only about what will be prohibited under the expanded SCA rules, but also about the lawful and lower-emission forms of solid fuel use that remain permitted?”

