

Brighton & Hove City Council

Cabinet

Agenda Item 52(a)

Subject: Petitions

Date of meeting: 15 October 2026

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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 Cabinet note the petition.

3. Context and background information

- 3.1 To receive the following petition signed by 51 people at the time of publication:

(1) Parking Petition to Brighton & Hove City Council: Review and Reverse Changes to Parking Restrictions on Hallyburton Road, Hove.

We, the undersigned residents, call on Brighton & Hove City Council to urgently review and reverse the recent changes to the parking restrictions on Hallyburton Road, Hove, at the Carlton Terrace end. This affects about 10 bays but many people in the area. Previously, the parking bays operated under a limited controlled parking scheme, with restrictions from 11:00am–12:00pm and 6:00pm–7:00pm. This was agreed on by residents and allowed those with a resident permit, visitors, carers, and tradespeople to park, while still preventing long-term commuter parking from Portslade Station. New restrictions have changed to charge a fee from 9:00am–8:00pm and no longer allowing parking for those who have already purchased a resident permit in good faith. This is a significant change that has a substantial impact on residents' daily lives, particularly those with greater dependence on a car or have visiting carers. We support fair parking management, but significant changes should be based on transparent consultation and reflect the needs of the community they affect.

We are particularly concerned because none of the residents on our local WhatsApp Group were aware of proposed changes (at least 25 households). Of course, we would have objected to this restriction if we had known as it seriously disadvantages us.

- We were recently made aware that a notice appeared briefly in the Argus, over the Christmas period, when many households are away and not reading local papers. This minimal requirement did not reach the attention of any residents on our street.
- Residents confirm there were no consultation letters or notification of proposed changes.
- We did not see any notices displayed on the street informing the residents.

This is clear evidence that an appropriate notification process was not followed. Without adequate consultation, residents were denied opportunity to object before the decision was made. We believe that the council contravened its own publicised process to enable fair opportunity to comment and object to changes. This change undermines the needs of local residents without clear evidence that extensive controls are required.

These changes risk:

- Disadvantaging families with small children, or those with a disability that rely on their car and on street parking.
- Creating problems for carers, health professionals and tradespeople who need to park nearby.
- Making it more difficult for residents to receive visits from family and friends.
- Reducing flexibility for residents who rely on visitor parking.
- Introducing unnecessary restrictions

We therefore ask Brighton & Hove City Council to:

1. Remove this restriction from those with resident permits, we should be allowed to park at any time for any length of time outside our own property, if we have paid for this privilege.
2. Suspend new parking restrictions on Hallyburton Road while concerns are investigated.
3. Undertake meaningful consultation with residents before changes are made.
4. Reinstate the previous parking arrangements unless the council have clear evidence, supported by fair consultation with residents, that alternative restrictions are necessary.