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NOTICE OF MOTION

CONSERVATIVE GROUP

IMPROVEMENTS TO EDUCATION PROVISION IN BRIGHTON & HOVE

"This Council warmly welcomes recent developments around schools and education provision in the City. These include:

- The acquisition of the Connaught Centre in Hove to form part of a new 3 form entry primary school in the City.
- The expansion of Davigdor, Somerhill, West Blatchington, Goldstone, Westdene, Benfield, Balfour and Queen's Park Schools.
- The opening of the new Brighton Aldridge Community Academy in September 2010, with the brand new campus due to open in September 2011, representing a £25 million investment in young people for one of the most deprived areas of the City.
- The City's best ever GCSE results, with the number of students gaining five or more A*-C grades including English and Maths, going from 44.5% to 49.1%. Three schools in particular – Hove Park, Portslade Community College and Varndean – improved their results by more than 10%.
- 28% of the City's nursery, infant, primary and junior schools have obtained an outstanding Ofsted rating compared to a national figure of 19%
- 80% of the City's childcare providers have a good / outstanding rating compared to a national average of 68%.

Therefore, this Council would like to place on record its thanks to all the pupils, parents / carers, teachers, childcare providers, officers and partners across the City who have made these successes possible.

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