

NOTICE OF MOTION**The development of 'green industries' in Brighton and Hove**

This council notes:

- (1) The critical importance of an expansion of 'green' industries as part of the move to a low-carbon economy in the UK.
- (2) The large-scale 'green collar' employment opportunities offered by any expansion.
- (3) The publication in September of the Government's new industry strategy, *Manufacturing: new challenges, new opportunities*, which promises almost £150 million of medium term support for UK manufacturing to develop skills and to target the opportunities created by the move toward a low carbon economy.
- (4) The conclusion in the *Brighton and Hove City Employment and Skills plan 2008/2011* that 16,000 additional jobs must be created in the city during the next ten years, if we are to get close to reaching the national aspiration of an employment rate of 80 per cent.
- (5) The success of our city in embracing new ideas and new technologies to build and sustain a thriving creative industries sector.

The council therefore:

Requests the executive to consider the potential for supporting and encouraging the development of 'green industries' in Brighton and Hove in the context of the city's new *Business Retention and Inwards Investment Study*, which will be published shortly.

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