

DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting of the Council for the hearing of deputations from members of the public.

Each deputation may be heard for a maximum of five minutes following which one Member of the Council, nominated by the Mayor, may speak in response. It shall then be moved by the Mayor and voted on without discussion that the deputation be noted and referred to the appropriate decision-making body for consideration.

Notification of three Deputations has been received. The spokesperson is entitled to speak for 5 minutes.

(a) Deputation to allow Motorcycles, Scooters (Powered 2 Wheelers) legal access to the Brighton and Hove controlled bus lanes.

Mr Simon Frampton (Spokesperson)

“The Motorcycle Action Group or, MAG as we are widely known, is an association of Motorcyclist’s and Scooter riders who lobby; Members of Parliament, Members of the European Parliament, Local Councillors, County Councils, Transport Associations, on matters that, directly or indirectly affect motorised 2 and 3 wheel transport. MAG would like to help Brighton and Hove on its path to ‘Sustainable’ status by helping to ease congestion on the City Centre routes.

If, Motorcycles, Scooters and all powered two wheelers were allowed to use the bus lanes this would remove them from the normal flow of traffic, help the users and owners to get into the City Centre quicker therefore reducing emissions. We can supply evidence to support this.

Extensive studies have been done showing time saved, reduced emissions and accident rates. Stakeholders will need to be consulted in this process, Cyclists, Buses, Taxis, and Pedestrians. We are happy to supply historic evidence for these consultations that have been untaken before. Generally the outcome of these consultations is positive but we still have stakeholders that are not in favour. Slowly the majority of these are being won over with the passage of time. Cost; the cost to a council is generally £100 per traffic order along with the placing of the Motorcycle profile to the bus lane signs. Opening 1 x bus lane equates to 1 x traffic order. The Motorcycle decal is now readily available so signs do not need replacing.

Advantages; help with reducing emissions in and around the City centres, safer faster travel for motorcycles and scooters, reduction of cars entering and parking in the City Centres. If 8 car drivers are encouraged on to Motorcycles and / Scooters you could fit those 8 into 1 car bay! Code of Conduct; there is an established code of conduct issued to every motorcyclist and scooter rider for them to adhere to.”

Councillor Davey, Cabinet Member for Transport and Public Realm will respond.

Note: Supporting evidence attached as appendix 1.

(b) Deputation concerning Saltdean Lido

Mr Tony Frisby (Spokesperson)

“Saltdean Residents Association wishes to express its concern for the future of Saltdean Lido and the poor community facilities that currently exist and to ask that the Council takes action to resolve these concerns.”

Councillor Bowden, Cabinet Member for Culture, Recreation and Tourism will respond.

(c) Deputation concerning Saltdean Lido

Simon Kirby MP (Spokesperson)

“The Future of Saltdean Lido is a critical issue amongst my constituents and I would like the council to address the following points:

- The leaseholder has publicly stated on the record for well over 7 years that he wishes to build flats and houses on the site which local people strongly oppose.
- The Save Saltdean Lido’s Campaign vision for the future of the building.
- Action which the Council could undertake to resolve the issues at Saltdean Lido.
- The future of Saltdean Lido is to ensure it becomes the hub of the community as it was always intended.”

Councillor Bowden, Cabinet Member for Culture, Recreation and Tourism will respond.

Note: Supporting evidence attached as appendix 2.