ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT & SUSTAINABILITY CABINET MEMBERS MEETING

Agenda Item 51A(i)

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Extract from the Proceedings of the Council Meeting

held on the 20th October 2011

Date of Meeting: 29 November 2011

Report of: Strategic Director: Resources

Cabinet Member Councillor Davey, Cabinet Member for Transport &

Responsible: Public Realm

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Wards Affected: All

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

4.30pm 20th October 2011 COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Councillors: Meadows (Chair); Wells (Deputy Chair), Barnett, Bowden, Brown, Buckley, Carden, Davey, Deane, Duncan, Farrow, Follett, Gilbey, Hamilton, Hawtree, Janio, Jarrett, Jones, Kennedy, J Kitcat, Lepper, Littman, MacCafferty, Marsh, Mears, Mitchell, A. Norman, K. Norman, Oxley, Peltzer Dunn, Phillips, Pidgeon, Pissaridou, Powell, Randall, Robins, Rufus, Shanks, Simson, Smith, Summers, Sykes, C Theobald, G Theobald, Wakefield, Wealls and West.

PART ONE

23(B). BLAKERS PARK ROAD SAFETY

- 23.14 The Mayor stated that under the Council's petition scheme, if a petition contained 1,250 or more signatures, it could be debated by the Full Council and such a request had been made in respect of an e-petition concerning Blakers Park Road Safety.
- 23.15 The Mayor invited Mr. C. Bull to present the petition on behalf of Ms. O'Riordan Booth.
- 23.16 Mr. Bull thanked the Mayor and stated that a total of 1,880 people had signed the combined paper and e-petition which read as follows:

"We the undersigned petition the council to improve the safety of pedestrians and cyclists on the roads surrounding Blakers Park; to introduce traffic calming measures and to put the safety of people before the car. Clearly marked pedestrian or raised paving crossings at Preston Drove, Cleveland Road and Southdown Road, a blanket 20mph limit extending to surrounding roads and the narrowing of Cleveland Road at

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the Southern (Stanford Avenue) end are necessary to improve the safety of our park's visitors. Please sign if you wish to make your view known."

- 23.17 Mr. Bull stated that he hoped the council would take account of the number of people who had signed the petition and agree to undertaken the action requested.
- 23.18 Councillor Davey noted the petition and thanked Mr. Bull for putting forward the arguments. He stated that there was a need to review the priority areas for such improvements, including pedestrian crossings and he hoped to receive a report in the New Year.
- 23.19 Councillor Jones stated that he supported the request for improvements to be made for the safety of all users of the park; however he did have concerns over the need for an island crossing and felt that a pelican one may be a more suitable alternative.
- 23.20 The Mayor congratulated Councillor Jones on his maiden speech.
- 23.21 Councillor Davey noted the comments and stated that road safety was an important issue and he would ensure it was given full consideration.
- 23.22 The Mayor then put the recommendation to the vote which was carried.
- 23.23 **RESOLVED:** That the petition be referred to the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Cabinet Member Meeting for consideration.