

Council	Agenda Item 20(a)
19 July 2012	Brighton & Hove City Council

NOTICE OF MOTION

LABOUR & CO-OPERATIVE GROUP

EQUAL MARRIAGE

“This Council notes the current national consultation on allowing same sex marriage between couples in England and Wales.

This Council also notes the considerable social and economic benefit to the city resulting from the Civil Partnership Act 2004, with Brighton and Hove being the most popular place in the UK for civil partnership ceremonies.

This Council believes that same sex couples should now have equal marriage rights under law, and calls upon the Government to:

1. Change the law to allow same-sex couples to get married.
2. Allow religious bodies to conduct same-sex marriages.
3. End the requirement that transgender people divorce before attaining Gender Recognition.
4. Enable mixed-sex couples to register a civil partnership.”

Proposed by: Cllr Warren Morgan Seconded by: Cllr Gill Mitchell

Supported by Cllrs: Marsh, Turton, Lepper, Pissaridou, Fitch, Farrow, Gilbey, Robins, Meadows, Carden, and Hamilton.

