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

NOTICE OF MOTION

LABOUR & CO-OPERATIVE GROUP

ASSET REVIEW AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

“This council notes the ongoing difficulty in relation to funding its capital programme over the next three years and commits to taking action to increasing its available capital.

In particular it notes that £34m will be needed to complete the back-log of repairs to the city’s schools and expresses deep regret that the recent bids to the Government’s Priority School Building Programme were refused.

It notes the practice of other councils such as LB Camden that have launched a large-scale Community Investment Programme that will renew school buildings and homes from the disposal of unwanted council assets following widespread public consultation.

It supports the current ‘Workstyles’ programme that has the potential to unlock money from council assets and reduce costs.

Accordingly, this council requests that as soon as possible a report is brought to the Policy & Resources Committee setting out the following:

- A comprehensive plan to demonstrate which further suitable assets, including all or part of King’s House, could be considered for sale based on the council’s Value for Money principals.
- Priorities for the investment from any such sales into public and community facilities. Specifically, covering the shortfall in Coalition Government funding for local school buildings in order to make them fit for a modern education.
- The acceleration of the council’s ‘Workstyles’ programme whilst ensuring that decent working facilities are provided.”

Proposed by: Cllr Meadows

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

