POLICY RESOURCES & GROWTH COMMITTEE

11 October 2018

Brighton & Hove City Council

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.

(ii) Discretionary Fund -

Given that free meals and wheels are no longer delivered to vulnerable malnourished people whilst the new charging system is prohibitive and given also that the discretionary fund can support nutritional needs (but currently does not fund meals on wheels) and ARCH (Morely St), Just Life and Occupational therapists have identified a small number of people experiencing malnutrition of whom it is estimated around 10 would benefit greatly from free meals on wheels. Given also that the discretionary fund has been underutilised, it is requested that, as a matter of urgency, a report is commissioned from officers exploring implications and costs of a policy of using discretionary payments to fund meals on wheels for homeless people that need them who are living in Emergency and Temporary Accommodation.

Mr J Deans (Spokesperson)

Dave Croydon (Treasurer BHHC) Peter Sutcliffe (Practice manager, Arch Healthcare) Nichole Brennan (Acting chair(ETHRAG) Homeless Campaigner) David Thomas Dr Tim Worthley Clinical Lead, Arch Healthcare