CABINET

Agenda Item 6

Brighton & Hove City Council

WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting for questions submitted by a member of the public who either lives or works in the area of the authority.

The question will be answered without discussion. The person who asked the question may ask one relevant supplementary question, which shall be put and answered without discussion. The person to whom a question, or supplementary question, has been put may decline to answer it.

The following written questions have been received from members of the public.

(a) Ms Claire Blakemore

"On 22/03/2011 Care Leavers were removed from 'priority need' category for housing allocations. It appears there was no consultation of Care-Leavers or consideration of this group in the Equalities Impact Assessment.

In the minutes of Housing Cabinet Meeting 22/03/11 the Green Party state "the policy is in serious danger of being discriminatory of those most in need".

In future we request a full consultation with service users and any change in policy to be presented to the Corporate Parenting Board for scrutiny and ratification.

Can you assure us that this matter will be given the highest priority and resolved immediately?"

*This question has been presented by the Youth Advocacy Project on behalf of Showan Omar, Ryan Hill and Charlie Hornsbury (Care-Leavers of Brighton and Hove). 26/05/2011.