

NOTICE OF MOTION

GREEN GROUP

SPACE FOR CYCLING

The Committee notes:

- The benefits cycling brings and the investments made in the city supporting cycling that have led to a rise in cycling and gained national and international recognition;

The Committee requests:

- that the Chief Executive sign-up Brighton & Hove City Council to the Space for Cycling campaign
- that the Chief Executive write to the Secretary of State for Transport calling for increased funding to support cycling;
- Ask all Members to consider joining the campaign;
- That improvement to cycle infrastructure be identified as a priority in the Local Transport Plan.

Proposed by: Councillor West

Seconded by: Councillor Greenbaum

Supporting Information:

Increased levels of cycling are bringing wide benefit to the city: improving health; strengthening our economy and communities; tackling traffic congestion, air quality and climate change.

Investment in supporting cycling plays an important role in increasing uptake and unlocking the potential of cycling. Recent improvements include: introduction of contra-flow cycle lanes; development of a high quality cycle lane network including Lewes Road, Old Shoreham Road and Edward Street; reducing speed limits; junction improvements e.g. 7 Dial; creating cycle hubs at stations; a shared bike scheme; more on-road cycle parking and improved shopper cycle parking in London Road.

The CTCs national Space for Cycling campaign aims to create the conditions where anyone can cycle anywhere, stating: "Cycle-friendly streets are the life-blood of safe, pleasant and healthy communities. They are good for everybody's quality of life, whether or not they chose to cycle... Cycling needs to become a safe, convenient and enjoyable option for people of all ages and backgrounds, for any local journey".

