

TOURISM, EQUALITIES, COMMUNITIES & CULTURE COMMITTEE ADDENDUM 1

4.00PM, THURSDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2022

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Brighton & Hove City Council

Tourism, Equalities, Communities & Culture Committee

Agenda Item 30 (b)

Subject: Public Questions

Date of meeting: 3 November 2022

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting for questions submitted by a member of the public.

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:

(1) Derek Wright – Valley Gardens

Residents and the Friends of Valley Gardens Group are requesting that they to be able to enjoy the grassed areas of Valley Gardens all year round and that the outdoor events be contained only to the purpose-built hard surface areas. Will the council ask for an officer's report to be made that considers rotating annual events to different open spaces around the city (to areas that would welcome open more outdoor events) allowing the green areas of Valley Gardens time to recover and the residents a season to use them uninterruptedly?

Date of meeting 3rd November 2022

LABOUR GROUP AMENDMENT

Freedom Leisure Contract – Response to Increased Energy Costs

That the relevant changes are made to the recommendations as shown below in strikethrough and ***bold italics***:

Recommendations

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- 2.1 Notes the contents of this report in relation to the increased costs faced by leisure operators across the UK linked to the energy supply crisis.
- 2.2 Agrees that it is necessary to support Freedom Leisure to ensure their continued viability and the delivery of the Sports Facilities Contracts.
- 2.3 Recommends to the Policy & Resources Committee that it authorises the Executive Director of Economy, Environment and Culture to implement the mitigation measures outlined in this report at paragraphs 3.18 and 3.23, ***with the exception of the caveat regarding parking charges outlined in 2.4.***
- 2.4 Recommends to the Policy & Resources Committee that it notes that the various measures will be reviewed by officers ~~every~~ ***over*** six months and ***a report will be brought to TECC by June 2023 on whether it is possible to revert back to standard contract arrangements.*** ~~that it~~ ***Committee*** authorises the Executive Director of Economy, Environment and Culture to make revisions and changes to the arrangements based on the ongoing impact, cost and potential changes to utility prices, ***but agrees that committee approval will be sought if car park charging is required at Withdean Sports Complex.***

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Proposed by: **Cllr Evans**

Seconded by: **Cllr Allcock**

Recommendations to read, if carried

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