PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

(B) WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

(I) Submitted by Mr John Wood

Can the council confirm that 10 extra units for Housing First will be available from 1 April 2019?"

(II) Submitted by Madeleine Dickens

Given the imminent merger of the HWB with the city CCG, and the proposed Integrated Care Partnership, are councillors aware of the acceleration of NHS privatisation being carried out by the CCG? The latest CCG Contracts Log reveals well over £100 million in private contracts including many £millions in payments to private hospitals. Does HWB agreement to the joint arrangements indicate acceptance of the fragmentation and dismantlement of the NHS which such levels of privatisation are bringing about?

(III) Submitted by Ken Kirk

Trusts for our local health services are under immense financial stress, with record deficits. Primary care services are at breaking point. Demand for healthcare outstrips funding. The only way that "sustainability" can be achieved is by more cuts, limiting the service to Brighton and Hove; to suggest otherwise is deception. Is it not right that the HWB committee set up to represent the people be honest and admit that the pretence that's conveyed in STP plans, that a comprehensive health and social care system can be created by integrating them, isn't possible? Isn't it time that you are straight with us?