ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Agenda Item

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Items referred from the Council meeting held on

the 13 August 2020

Historic Motoring Events on Madeira Drive -

Notice of Motion

Litter Reduction - Notice of Motion

Date of Meeting: 29 September 2020

Report of: Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance

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Wards Affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

1.1 To receive the following Notices of Motion which were debated at and referred from the full Council special meeting held on the 13 August 2020.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.1 That the Committee responds to the motion concerning Historic Motoring Events on Madeira Drive either by noting it or where it is considered more appropriate, calling for an officer report on the matter as requested, which may give consideration to a range of options; and
- 2.2 That the Committee responds to the motion concerning Litter Reduction either by noting it or where it is considered more appropriate, calling for an officer report on the matter as requested, which may give consideration to a range of options.

3. CONTEXT / BACKGROND INFORMATION

3.1 The following resolution from the full council meeting held on the 13 August 2020 for the committee to consider is detailed below:

SPECIAL COUNCIL

4.30pm 13 AUGUST 2020

VIRTUAL MEETING - SKYPE

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Robins (Chair), Mears (Deputy Chair), Allcock, Appich, Atkinson, Bagaeen, Barnett, Brennan, Childs, Clare, Deane, Druitt, Evans, Fishleigh, Fowler, Gibson, Hamilton, Heley, Hill, Hills, Hugh-Jones, Janio, Knight, Lewry, Littman, Lloyd, Mac Cafferty, McNair, Miller, Moonan, Nemeth, Nield, O'Quinn, Osborne, Peltzer Dunn, Phillips, Pissaridou, Platts, Powell, Shanks, C Theobald, Wares, West, Wilkinson and Williams

PART ONE

35. NOTICES OF MOTION

(4) HISTORIC MOTORING EVENTS ON MADEIRA DRIVE

- 35.24 The Notice of Motion as listed in the agenda was proposed by Councillor Nemeth on behalf of the Conservative Group and formally seconded by Councillor Miller.
- 35.25 Councillor Appich moved an amendment on behalf of the Green Group which was formally seconded by Councillor Evans.
- 35.26 Councillors Theobald and Lloyd spoke on the motion and the amendment and expressed their support.
- 35.27 Councillor Nemeth thanked everyone for their comments and the support for the aims of the motion and stated that he would accept the amendment.
- 35.28 The Mayor noted that the amendment had been accepted and that the Council was happy to move to a vote on the motion as amended, and therefore put the revised motion to the vote:

This council resolves to:

- Recognise the huge financial and cultural contribution to the local tourist economy of the many motoring events that take place in the city and on Madeira Drive in particular;
- (2) Recommends to ETS Committee that any post-Covid changes to the layout of Madeira Drive do not prevent historic motoring events from taking place; and
- (3) Recommends to TECC Committee that urgent confirmation is given that historic motoring events will be given permission to take place.
- 35.29 He then called on each of the Group Leaders to confirm their position as well as the Groups in turn and each of the Independent Members:

Councillor Mac Cafferty stated that the Green Group were against the motion as amended and this was confirmed by the Green Group Members;

Councillor Platts stated that the Labour Group were in favour of the motion as amended and this was confirmed by the Labour Group Members;

Councillor Wares stated that the Conservative were in favour of the motion as amended and this was confirmed by the Conservative Group Members;

Councillor Fishleigh confirmed that she was voting in favour of the motion as amended;

Councillor Knight confirmed that she wished to abstain from voting on the motion as amended.

- 35.30 The Mayor confirmed that the motion had been carried.
- 3.2 The following resolution from the full council meeting held on the 13 August 2020 for the committee to consider is detailed below:

(6) LITTER REDUCTION

- 35.35 The Notice of Motion as listed in the agenda was proposed by Councillor Littman on behalf of the Green Group and stated that he wished to make a textual change by inserting the word 'suitable' after next in the first line of the motion and sought the council's acceptance to the change.
- 35.36 The Mayor noted that Members were happy to accept the textual change.
- 35.37 Councillor Lloyd formally seconded the motion.
- 35.38 Councillor Wares moved an amendment on behalf of the Conservative Group which was formally seconded by Councillor Nemeth.
- 35.39 Councillors Fowler and Theobald spoke on the motion and the amendment and expressed their support.
- 35.40 Councillor Littman thanked the councillors for their comments and confirmed the he was happy to accept the amendment.
- 35.41 The Mayor noted that the amendment had been accepted and that the Council was happy to move to a vote on the motion as amended, and therefore put the revised motion to the vote:

This Council requests that:

- A report is commissioned for the next suitable meeting of the ET&S
 Committee, outlining a further strategic response to the problem of littering, including:
- joint working between the council, supermarkets and hospitality industry that can stem the flow of rubbish at the source
- the development of a voluntary scheme, whereby businesses can be supported to develop a 'return/refund' system for disposable items, to help minimise littering among customers; and where participation is rewarded

- e.g. through promotional materials / stickers for businesses who join the scheme:
- details on how any strategy aligns with the council's unnecessary single-use plastics pledge
- an update on the council's food waste trial
- the strategy to deal with seasonal increases in littering especially on the beaches to avoid unnecessary build-up of waste by bins whilst also not impacting on general residential household waste and recycling collection services through-out the city
- the potential to increase the number of Civil Enforcement Officers employed by the council
- the potential to increase the number of staff and support equipment (including vehicles) that can be dedicated to litter picking throughout the city on a planned or response basis.
- 2. That the Chief Executive writes to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, requesting:
- that the Government urgently provide an update on the status of their 'Litter Strategy', which suggests that a 'Reducing Litter caused by Food on the Go:
 A Voluntary Code of practice,' scheme will be rolled out in 2020/21; and asks that schemes of this type be made mandatory;
- the immediate introduction of the proposals in the Government's Litter Strategy, to ensure packaging is more clearly labelled, to allow local councils to identify and record major sources of litter;
- 3. That the Chief Executive also writes to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government requesting that government introduce an 'Excessive Packaging Levy', to generate funds to help councils deal with the £800m costs of cleaning up litter in the UK annually.
- 35.42 He then called on each of the Group Leaders to confirm their position as well as the Groups in turn and each of the Independent Members:

Councillor Mac Cafferty stated that the Green Group were in favour of the motion as amended and this was confirmed by the Green Group Members;

Councillor Platts stated that the Labour Group were in favour of the motion as amended and this was confirmed by the Labour Group Members;

Councillor Wares stated that the Conservative were in favour of the motion as amended and this was confirmed by the Conservative Group Members;

Councillor Knight confirmed that she was hed to abstain from voting on the motion as amended.

35.43 The Mayor confirmed that the motion had been carried.