EXTRACT FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 1 OCTOBER 2008

Present: Councillor Hyde (Chairman)); Councillors Barnett, Carden (OS), Davey, Hamilton, McCaffery, Mrs A Norman, K Norman, Randall, Smart, Steedman and Wells (Deputy Chairman).

Co-opted Members: Mr J Small, Conservation Advisory Group (CAG); Mr R Pennington, Brighton and Hove Federation of Disabled People.

PART ONE

94   CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS

Blue Badge Holders Scheme

94.4   The Chairman referred to the fact that the Committee received and welcomed comments from Mr Pennington on behalf of the Brighton & Hove Federation of Disabled People. On a number of occasions these related to the issue of parking provision for blue badge holders in association with applications for housing schemes without off- street parking and Traffic Regulation Orders. Each application had always been discussed and decided upon on its merits and the advice of the relevant officers taken into account when those decisions were made.

94.5   The Chairman went of to state however that this matter clearly remained an area of concern for the Federation . Given that the administration of the Council had a clearly stated priority of "reducing inequality by increasing opportunity" and had a commitment to delivering "equalities and inclusion" she was of the view that this now warranted some further consideration in terms of providing further alternatives and choices for people. She therefore recommended that the Cabinet Member for Environment be requested to review the relevant policy / policies in the terms set out below .

94.6   A vote was taken and Members voted unanimously that this matter be carried forward in the manner suggested by the Chairman.

94.7   **RESOLVED -** That the Committee requests that the Environment Cabinet Member reviews the policy or policies related to the allocation of resident parking permits for blue badge holders in association with housing without off- street parking, and how this is incorporated into Traffic Regulation Orders."