Council	Agenda Item 75(e)
30 January 2014	Brighton & Hove City Council

NOTICE OF MOTION

LABOUR AND CO-OPERATIVE GROUP

ETHICAL CARE CHARTER

"This council resolves to recommend the Adult Care and Health Committee to sign up to UNISON's Ethical Care Charter setting minimum standards to protect the dignity and quality of life for people who need homecare.

The charter will commit Brighton and Hove City Council to commission care solely from providers who:

- Give workers the freedom to provide appropriate care and be given the time to talk to their clients.
- Allocate clients the same homecare worker(s) wherever possible.
- Do not use zero hour contracts.
- Pay the Brighton and Hove Living Wage rate of £7.65 an hour
- Match the time allocated to visits to the particular needs of the client. In general, 15-minute visits will not be used as they undermine the dignity of the clients.
- Pay homecare workers for their travel time, their travel costs and other necessary expenses such as mobile phone use.
- Schedule visits so that homecare workers are not forced to rush their time with clients or leave their clients early to get to the next one on time.

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Supporting Information:

In December 2013, the London Boroughs of Islington and Southwark were the first Local Authorities in England to sign up to the Ethical Care Charter

http://www.unison.org.uk/content/conNewsArticle/4616

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