LICENSING COMMITTEE (NON LICENSING ACT FUNCTIONS)

Agenda Item 28(a)

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Petitions

Date of Meeting: 6 March 2014

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Ward Affected Brunswick & Adelaide

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

1.1 To receive any petitions presented at Council, any petitions submitted directly to Democratic Services or any e-Petition submitted via the council's website. Please note in this instance the petition has been forwarded to this Committee by the Environment, Transport and Sustainability Committee.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.2 That the Committee responds to the petition either by noting it or writing to the petition organiser setting out the Council's views, or where it is considered more appropriate, calls for an officer report on the matter which may give consideration to a range of options, including the following:
 - s taking the action requested in the petition
 - s considering the petition at a council meeting
 - § holding an inquiry into the matter
 - § undertaking research into the matter
 - § holding a public meeting
 - § holding a consultation
 - § holding a meeting with petitioners
 - s referring the petition for consideration by the council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - s calling a referendum

3. PETITIONS

(i) Brunswick Place Taxi Rank – Winter 2013-14

"We the undersigned petition Members of the Environment and Sustainabilty Committee of Brighton and Hove Council to acknowledge ongoing disturbance associated with the taxi rank on Brunswick Place, Hove, near the junction with Western Road. These issues include noise disturbance, pollution from idling diesel engines and road safety as a result of over ranking. We request that all efforts be made by this Committee to address the matter, including consideration of taxi relocation to the central reservation of Brunswick Place, and/or locating

the taxi rank somewhere other than one of the most populous residential streets in Europe. We request also that a written response be given to this petition." (14 signatures)