Mr Geoff Raw - Chief Executive Brighton & Hove City Council Kings House

13th June 2016

Dear Geoff,

We are jointly submitting the following letter under Council Procedure Rule 23.3 to be included on the agenda for the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee meeting of 28 June 2016.

In the Council Budget this year, the Labour Administration proposed a large cut to the money spent on toilets across the city. The Conservative amendment added money back into the Budget, trying to save our much valued toilets, but the Labour Administration has now announced a £40,000 reduction on spending which will mean the much needed toilets in Greenleas will be shut during the winter. This facility is much used by local residents, including our local football teams. The Labour Administration says that there are alternative toilets in Sainsbury's - which we think is a shameful excuse.

Added to this, the Administration is also shutting the toilet at the Grenadier Parade because, they say, there are private toilets available in the area. In the real world, private owners, faced with increased usage, will soon not allow the use of their toilets.

The toilets at The Grenadier Parade are used frequently, for example by the elderly whilst out shopping and by children returning home from school, and we think that by shutting them The Administration is letting down the most vulnerable in our community.

We are pleading with the Administration to reverse these cruel cuts and 'Save Hangleton Toilets'.

What is a council for if it can't keep our toilets open?

Cllrs. Tony Janio, Dawn Barnett, Nick Lewry