Council	Agenda Item 107(c)
24 March 2016	Brighton & Hove City Council

NOTICE OF MOTION USE OF PESTICIDES

Council resolves to:

- Request the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee to request officers to use the opportunity of the end of the current weed spraying contract in April 2017 to end the use of Glyphosate in our city; and
- 2. To request that the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee gives consideration to trying non-chemical and mechanical alternatives during the testing period due to start in July this year and asks officers to inform the Members of the Committee as to which alternatives are being trialled (by its meeting on 28 June) and report on the progress of those trials to the same Committee at its meeting on 29 November this year.

Supporting information:

Glyphosate, which is currently the key agent used in Brighton and Hove's biannual weed spraying programme, has been classified by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), an arm of the World Health Organisation (WHO), as "probably carcinogenic to humans" and that children are particularly vulnerable to its detrimental effects.

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