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# SUBJECT: PETITIONS UPDATE

Wards affected: Borough wide

## 1.0 PURPOSE OF ARTICLE

1.1 To provide an update on the petitions received under the Council's Petition Scheme in 2013/14.

#### 2.0 PETITIONS RECEIVED

2.1 Details of those petitions received and dealt with under the petitions scheme are contained in Appendix 1 to the report. A copy of the Scheme can be found at Section 18.2 of the Council's Constitution.

#### 3.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS/COMMUNITY STRATEGY

3.1 Petitions are another method to enable local people to raise concerns with the Council providing a feedback mechanism for the community and improving access for all.

# 4.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no financial or resource implications arising from the Article other than officer time in dealing with these matters.

# 5.0 RISK ASSESSMENT

5.1 The Council is no longer required to produce a Petition Scheme, however providing a formal mechanism for the public and interested parties to submit petitions could be considered as good practice.

## **Background Documents**

There are no background documents (as defined in Section 100D(5) of the Local Government Act 1972) to this Report.

## **Equality Impact Assessment**

This article is for information only and does not have any direct impact on members of the public, employees, elected members and/ or stakeholders. Therefore no Equality Impact Assessment is required.

## **Appendices**

1. Petitions received - 2013/14