

Croydon Council

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| REPORT TO: | COUNCIL 2 DECEMBER 2013 |
| AGENDA ITEM NO: | 8 |
| SUBJECT: | PETITIONS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCILLORS TO COUNCIL |
| LEAD OFFICER: | Julie Belvir, Director of Democratic and Legal Services |
| WARDS: | ALL |
| CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT: This report is prepared in keeping with paragraphs 3.17 to 3.20 of the Council Procedure Rules at Part 4A of the Constitution. | |

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Council is asked to note the petitions presented by Councillors at the meeting and to agree to refer those petitions to Cabinet Members as indicated in paragraph 4 of the report.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 In accordance with Part 4A of the Council's Constitution, Members of the Council can present petitions to any ordinary meeting of the Council, with the exception of any meeting of the Council reserved for the setting of Council Tax.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Part 4A of the Constitution allows Councillors to present petitions to meetings of the Full Council.
- 3.2 The Constitution requires that a petition must contain "the signatures of at least 100 local people or 50% of the local people affected by the subject" in order to be presented at a Council meeting.
- 3.3 The Constitution further states that petitions presented to the Council will not be read out at the meeting and nor will the presenting Councillor be permitted to make a speech.

4. PETITIONS TO BE PRESENTED TO COUNCIL AT THIS MEETING

- 4.1 The Director of Democratic and Legal Services has received notice of the following petitions to be presented to this meeting of the Council:
- 4.2 A petition presented by **Councillor Susan Winborn** on behalf of residents:
“We, the undersigned, are concerned citizens who urge Croydon Council to act now to influenced the increased use of police foot patrols to vigorously enforce the no drinking zones and control anti-social behaviour and also for the Croydon Council Licencing Committee to review alcohol licences that have been given to local retail stores and which are now resulting in increased anti-social behaviour and daily drinking by individuals in the area including within no-drink zones.”
- 4.3 Council is recommended to refer this petition to the Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Public Protection.
- 4.4 A petition presented by **Councillor Gerry Ryan** on behalf of residents regarding traffic congestion in and around the Lodge Road area.
- 4.5 Council is recommended to refer this petition to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Environmental Services.

5. NEXT STEPS

- 5.1 The Constitution requires that a response to each petition presented at this meeting will be submitted to the next ordinary meeting of the Council for questions.

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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS: None