

**For General Release**

<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b>COUNCIL 24 APRIL 2017</b>
<b>AGENDA ITEM NO:</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>THE CROYDON DEBATE: a) LOCAL PETITION DEBATE</b>
<b>LEAD OFFICER:</b>	<b>Stephen Rowan, Head of Democratic Services and Scrutiny</b>
<b>WARDS:</b>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT:</b> This report is prepared in keeping with paragraphs 3.11 to 3.13.6 of the Council Procedure Rules at Part 4A of the Constitution.	

**1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1.1 In accordance with Part 4A of the Council’s Constitution one borough-wide petition and one local petition can be debated under the Croydon Debate item. A local petition was received and the wording is presented below at para 2.1 in the body of this report.

**2. LOCAL PETITION**

2.1 A local petition was received by the Monitoring Officer. The wording of the petition received is detailed below:

*“Petition to Croydon Council calling for urgent action on major accident black-spot heading from the bend in Bridle Road, outside All Saints Church.*

*“We the undersigned call on Croydon Council to recognise the frequency and severity of these events and the significant risks they continue to pose of serious injury or death to residents, pedestrians, cyclists and other motorists and demand that the Council takes urgent steps to:*

- Review the circumstances under which these events occurred*
- Identify and evaluate interim and permanent corrective actions to address the underlying causes*
- Make a commitment to deliver appropriate actions in a meaningful timescale”*

2.2 The rules for debate for a local petition are set out in paragraph 3.13.6(b) and are set out below:

- i. The Lead Petitioner or their representative may address the Council on the Petition for up to three minutes from the public gallery;
- ii. A Member of the Majority Group may then speak for up to three minutes;
- iii. A Member of the Opposition Group may then speak for up to three minutes;
- iv. A Member of the Majority Group may then make a final response for up to one minute and summarise the next steps to be taken in the matter;
- v. No further debate shall take place on the Local Petition thereafter.

2.3 After the procedural steps stated in paragraph 2.2 have been completed, there shall be no further debate and no vote taken.

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**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:** None.