

**For General Release**

<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b>COUNCIL</b> <b>3 December 2018</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>MEMBER PETITIONS</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 3.26 to 3.31 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 as listed in paragraph four of the report.

**2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 2.1 In accordance with Part 4A of the Council’s Constitution up to three 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 up to three 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 full petition wording of each of the three Member petitions to be received will be included in the Council agenda (see paragraph four below). The Member petitions will be received but shall not be the subject of a debate or questions at that or a subsequent Council meeting.
- 3.4 Where possible, the Cabinet Member shall provide a response at the Council meeting at which the Member’s petition is received. Where a response is not

provided at the meeting, a written response shall be provided within three weeks of the meeting.

#### **4. PETITIONS TO BE PRESENTED TO COUNCIL AT THIS MEETING**

4.1 The Monitoring Officer has received notice of the following petitions to be presented to this meeting of the Council:

a) Petition presented by **Councillor Stranack** on behalf of residents:

*“Council Tax Refund Petition*

*We call on the Council to make Council Tax refunds to residents who have suffered weeks of missed bin collections, ensuring at the very least that all penalties paid by Veolia as a result of missed collections are passed on to the residents affected.”*

#### **5. NEXT STEPS**

5.1 Where possible the Cabinet Member will respond to the petition at the meeting.

5.2 Where a more detailed response is required, a written response shall be provided within three weeks of the meeting.

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**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:** None.