

<b>CABINET</b>	AGENDA ITEM No. 9
<b>26 MARCH 2018</b>	<b>PUBLIC REPORT</b>

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## OUTCOME OF PETITIONS

<b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	
<b>FROM:</b> <i>Directors</i>	<b>Deadline date:</b> <i>N/A</i>
It is recommended that Cabinet notes the actions taken in respect of petitions.	

### 1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is submitted following the submission of an E-Petition and the presentation of a petition to Council officers.

### 2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to update Cabinet on the progress being made in response to petitions submitted to the Council.
- 2.2 This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.2.3, '*To take a leading role in promoting the economic, environmental and social well-being of the area*'.

### 3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	<b>NO</b>	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	<b>N/A</b>
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### 4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

#### **Petitions Presented at the Council Meeting on 24 January 2018**

##### Fulbridge Road

This petition was submitted by Councillor Davidson. The petition contained 114 valid signatures and called on the Council to consider appropriate signage and road safety measures to be put in place on Fulbridge Road, Werrington.

The Principal Transport Planning Officer advised that the Council had analysed 3 months of speed data along this section of Fulbridge Road and could confirm that there was not an issue with the average speed of vehicles. Accidents throughout the city were analysed and areas that have a cluster of accidents investigated to see if speed or the construction of the road was a factor at all and what solutions could be implemented. Fulbridge Road did not feature on the

current accident cluster list and nor had the police highlighted it as an issue to the Council.

The Council could only put in speed reduction measures where there was a need to do so and the Council need to have a consistent approach across the whole of Peterborough. As such there were currently no plans for speed reduction measures on this road.

One initiative that was highlighted to the lead petitioner was Speedwatch. Speedwatch was a scheme that allowed the public to get actively involved in monitoring the speed of vehicles travelling through their neighborhood. The scheme was about educating motorists in the law in relation to speeding and monitoring any trends in speeding in the neighbourhood.

### **Petitions Presented at the Cabinet Meeting on 26 February 2018**

#### Bretton Water Park

This petition was submitted by Mr Warren. The petition contained 245 valid signatures and called on the Council to not cut the £18,000 funding for Bretton Water Park.

Three further petitions were received by the Council on the same matter and have been combined into one petition. The combined number of valid signatures is currently being verified by officers.

No response has been provided by the service area at the current time. Cabinet will be updated once a response has been issued.

### **E-petitions**

#### Stop the Close of the Manor, Respite Home for Children and Young People with Disabilities

The e-petition was submitted by Ms Harbour on 5 March 2018. The petition contained 524 signatures, pending verification, and called on the Council to 'stop and reconsider the proposed closure of the Manor Children's and young people's home with special needs and disabilities. Parents need the facility, for their child/young person for the continuity, social aspects and the parents needing much needed respite.'

A further petition was presented by Councillor Davidson at the Council meeting on 7 March 2018 on the same matter and have been combined into one petition. The combined number of valid signatures is currently being verified by officers.

No response has been provided by the service area at the current time. Cabinet will be updated once a response has been issued.

#### Change Your Mind Mr Mayor Re: Public Gallery

The e-petition was submitted by Councillor Fower on 7 March 2018. This same petition was also presented at the Council meeting on 7 March 2018 by Councillor Davidson on behalf of Councillor Fower. The petition contained 35 signatures, pending verification, and called on the Council to 'get the Mayor of Peterborough to repeal his decision to not allow members of the public to sit in the gallery in the chamber, during meetings of Full Council'.

No response has been provided by the service area at the current time. Cabinet will be updated once a response has been issued.

### **Petitions Presented at the Council Meeting on 7 March 2018**

#### John Clare Rec is in Desperate Need of Improvement

This petition was submitted by Councillor Davidson. The petition contained 61 signatures, pending verification, and called on the Council to improve the outdated play equipment at the

John Clare recreation park.

No response has been provided by the service area at the current time. Cabinet will be updated once a response has been issued.

#### Parking on Grass Verges Along Southfields Avenue and Southfields Drive

This petition was submitted by Councillor Rush. The petition contained 24 valid signatures and called on the Council to take action in relation to the damage and safety aspect of cars parked on the grass verges along Southfields Avenue and Southfields Drive.

No response has been provided by the service area at the current time. Cabinet will be updated once a response has been issued.

### **7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION**

7.1 As the petitions presented in this report have been dealt with by Cabinet Members or officers, it is appropriate that the action taken is reported to Cabinet.

### **8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

8.1 There have been no alternative options considered.

### **9. IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 There are no legal, financial, or equalities implications arising from the issues considered.

### **10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

10.1 Petitions presented to the Council and responses from officers.

### **11. APPENDICES**

11.1 None.

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