CABINET	AGENDA ITEM No. 7
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# **UPDATE - PETITIONS**

RECOMMENDATIONS		
FROM : Directors		
That Cabinet notes the action taken in respect of petitions presented to full Council.		

### 1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is submitted to Cabinet following the presentation of petitions to full Council.

#### 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 in accordance with Standing Order 13 of the Council's Rules of Procedure.
- 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. TIMESCALE

Is this a Major Policy	NO
Item/Statutory Plan?	

# 4. OUTCOME OF PETITIONS

## 4.1 Petition against a permanent Traveller Transit Site in Welland

This petition was presented to full Council on 7 December by Councillor Saltmarsh. The Council's Head of Neighbourhoods responded on 20 December 2011 stating that a permanent site was not proposed for the Welland area as it was a densely populated area and highlighted Peterborough's Core Strategy that safeguarded a piece of land at Norwood Lane until a permanent site is agreed upon. It was also noted that efforts were being made, collaborating with ward councillors, to look at methods of eviction and prevention of re-entry into Peterborough for Travelling groups that have caused anti-social behaviour.

# 4.2 Petition requesting an Urban Sports Park in Hampton

This petition was presented to full Council on 7 December by Councillor Seaton. The Council's Neighbourhood Manager (South) responded on 16 January 2012 stating that two potential sites had been identified and more detailed plans were being produced following the indicative Medium Term Financial Plan budget allocation of £100,000 for the project.

Consultation was ongoing with youth representatives and a project board would be formed in the next few weeks involving relevant partners.

## 4.3 Petition to remove current and tackle future graffiti in the Orton Longueville area

This petition was presented to full Council on 7 December by Lisa Forbes. The Council's Neighbourhood Manager (South) responded on 19 January stating that the issue had been raised as a multi-agency panel priority, an action plan to tackle the issue would be formed and some graffiti had already been cleared up. Updates on actions and works agreed would be communicated through the e—cops newsletter and Neighbourhood Committee.

# 5. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 Standing Orders require that Council receive a report about the action taken on petitions. 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, prior to it being included within the Executive's report to full Council.

### 6. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

6.1 Any alternative options would require an amendment to the Council's Constitution to remove the requirement to report to Council.

#### 7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no legal implications.

# 8. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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

8.1 Petitions presented to full Council and responses from officers.