

<b>CABINET</b>	AGENDA ITEM No. 14
<b>10 JULY 2017</b>	<b>PUBLIC REPORT</b>

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Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Seaton, Cabinet Member for Resources	
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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 presentation of petitions directly 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 Council officers.

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. OUTCOME OF PETITIONS

#### Presented to Council Officers

#### 4.1 Petition relating to Dog-Fouling within Thorney Village

This petition was presented to Council officers on 13 April 2017 by Councillor Allen, on behalf of Mrs Beresford. The petition contained 118 valid signatures and called upon Peterborough City Council to be more proactive in taking steps to address the ongoing problem of dog-fouling within Thorney Village and to provide extra bins and signage throughout the village and park whilst considering what other measures are possible to reduce this problem.

The Council's Prevention and Enforcement Service Manager responded to the lead petitioner and advised that was currently review how it promoted and enforced responsible dog ownership through the Prevention and Enforcement Services, following the passing of a motion at Council on 8 March 2017. An action plan had been developed which covered dog fouling and responsible dog ownership. The Council were also about to issue a tender for a new stray dog contract for

Peterborough, and a requirement for more enforcement against irresponsible dog ownership as well as education in prevention activities for dogs owners had been written into the specification.

It was further advised that, specifically for Thorney, an audit of the current locations of dog bins and dog fouling signage had been requested. When this was completed, officers would contact the Parish Council to discuss a way forward.

## **5. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION**

- 5.1 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, prior to it being included within the Executive's report to Council.

## **6. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 6.1 There have been no alternative options considered.

## **7. IMPLICATIONS**

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

## **8. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

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

- 8.1 Petitions presented to Council officers and responses from officers.