Croydon Council

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REPORT TO:	COUNCIL
	15 JULY 2014
AGENDA ITEM NO:	7
SUBJECT:	PETITIONS TO BE PRESENTED
	BY COUNCILLORS TO COUNCIL
LEAD OFFICER:	Julie Belvir, Director of Democratic and Legal Services
WARDS:	ALL
CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT:	

This report is prepared in keeping with paragraphs 3.17 to 3.20 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 and to agree to refer those petitions to Cabinet Members as indicated in paragraph 4 of the report.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2.1 In accordance with Part 4A of the Council's Constitution, 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 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 Constitution further states that petitions presented to the Council will not be read out at the meeting and nor will the presenting Councillor be permitted to make a speech.

4. PETITIONS TO BE PRESENTED TO COUNCIL AT THIS MEETING

4.1 The Director of Democratic and Legal Services has received notice of the following petitions to be presented to this meeting of the Council:

a) Petition presented by Councillor Pat Ryan on behalf of Waddington Way Residents Association.

We the undersigned. petition the new Labour Administration at Croydon Council to :

1) Save the beautiful pink blossom cherry trees on Waddington Way. We ask that you remove the newly planted trees which are not of the same species and which are blighting the landscape. These should be replaced with pink blossom cherry trees to preserve the historic character of our road

2) Urgently prioritise the repair and resurfacing of Waddington Way, as the entire length of the road is in poor condition.

Council is recommended to refer this petition to the Cabinet Member for Culture Leisure and Sport (1) and the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment (2)

b) Petition presented by Councillor Pat Ryan on behalf of residents of Hermitage Road and the adjacent roads.

We, the undersigned, call for new speed restrictive measures in Hermitage Road and a reduction in the speed limit in adjacent roads from 30 mph to 20mph, and help to make this a safer area for all those children and adults who live in this community.

Council is recommended to refer this petition to the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment.

5. NEXT STEPS

5.1 The Constitution requires that a response to each petition presented at this meeting will be submitted to the next ordinary meeting of the Council for questions.

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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS: None