

Croydon Council

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REPORT TO:	COUNCIL 6 OCTOBER 2014
AGENDA ITEM NO:	7
SUBJECT:	PETITIONS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCILLORS TO COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF CROYDON
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 Vidhi Mohan on behalf of residents

We the residents of Carolina Road and other affected roads in Upper Norwood Ward, urge Croydon Council to take immediate action on the following issues affecting us:

1. Ensure that parking restrictions are properly enforced at the junction of Carolina Road and Green Lane, where cars regularly park illegally, and thereby blocking access to the road for local residents.
2. Work with the police to ensure that strong action is taken against those engaging in anti-social behaviour at the junction of Carolina Road and Green Lane, especially in the evenings and at night. Local residents find this very intimidating.

Council is recommended to refer this petition to the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment (1) and the Cabinet Member for Safety and Justice (2)

b) Petition presented by Councillor Mark Watson on behalf of residents of Davidson Road.

We the undersigned call upon Croydon Council to introduce controlled parking on Davidson Road from 180 - 280. We understand that controlled parking permits are currently priced at £80 a year for the first permit.

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

c) Petition presented by Councillor John Wentworth on behalf of residents:

The residents who live on Queen Mary Road, Upper Norwood Ward call on Croydon Council to introduce a 20mph speed limit in their road and associated enforcement measures.

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