

## For General Release

<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b>COUNCIL</b> <b>17 OCTOBER 2016</b>
<b>AGENDA ITEM NO:</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>MEMBER PETITIONS</b>
<b>LEAD OFFICER:</b>	<b>Stephen Rowan, Head of Democratic Services and Scrutiny</b>
<b>WARDS:</b>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT:</b> This report is prepared in keeping with paragraphs 3.26 to 3.31 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 as listed in paragraph four of the report.

### 2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 In accordance with Part 4A of the Council's Constitution up to three 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 up to three 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 full petition wording of each of the three Member petitions to be received will be included in the Council agenda (see paragraph four below). The Member petitions will be received but shall not be the subject of a debate or questions at that or a subsequent Council meeting.

3.4 Where possible, the Cabinet Member shall provide a response at the Council meeting at which the Member's petition is received. Where a response is not provided at the meeting, a written response shall be provided within three weeks of the meeting.

#### **4. PETITIONS TO BE PRESENTED TO COUNCIL AT THIS MEETING**

4.1 The Acting Council Solicitor has received notice of the following petitions to be presented to this meeting of the Council:

a) Petition presented by **Councillor Andrew Pelling** on behalf of residents:

*"Petition to increase the parking restrictions on Vicarage Road, Croydon.*

*The residents of Vicarage Road, Croydon are facing an increasingly intolerable problem with the lack of parking spaces for residents because of the free parking at the end of the Pay and Display period. Since the development of the New South Quarter (NSQ), parking spaces are increasingly used by the new NSQ residents, aided by the pedestrian access from NSQ to Wandle Park Tram Stop and therefore Vicarage Road. The housing association properties of Vicarage Road have also introduced a permit scheme as the result of the parking problems.*

*The residents also suffer increased traffic flow with vehicles arriving and waiting to collect commuters from the tram stop at the end of the working day.*

*We, the undersigned, call upon the council to increase the Residents' Only/chargeable duration from 09:00-17:00 to 09:00-20:00 (Sundays to remain unrestricted) and the maximum stay to be reduced to six hours, allowing Vicarage Road residents, who have residents' parking permits, to park their vehicles and to use visitor day permits for visiting friends and family."*

#### **5. NEXT STEPS**

5.1 Where possible the Cabinet Member will respond to the petition at the meeting.

5.2 Where a more detailed response is required, a written response shall be provided within three weeks of the meeting.

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**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:** None.