

**For General Release**

<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b>COUNCIL</b> <b>28 January 2019</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 Monitoring Officer has received notice of the following petitions to be presented to this meeting of the Council:

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

*“Post Office Dangerous Crossing*

*I have started this petition to put forward a safer crossing in front of the Coulsdon Post Office.*

*I feel crossing here with my children is extremely dangerous and feel the drivers car more than often jump the lights and not abide the speed limit.*

*Please sign this petition to help make Coulsdon a little safer for everyone.”*

b) Petition presented by **Councillor T Pollard** on behalf of residents:

*“Petition to Croydon Council*

*We, the undersigned residents of Balfont Close, Sanderstead CR2 9LL, request that ‘wheels up’ parking be permitted to enable this narrow road to be more easily accessed by its residents and larger vehicles.*

*Balfont Close is a short cul de sac of 12 houses. Whilst residents park with consideration to other users, occasional vehicle parking by tradesmen, delivery drivers and local visitors can often mean the width available when cars park opposite each other is insufficient to allow anything other than very small cars to pass. Service vehicles such as Recycling & Refuse collection Lorries sometimes have to work from the end of the road as they are unable to get down, and on one occasion an Ambulance suffered from restricted access.*

*Permission to park ‘wheels up’ will relieve this problem, and the residents of Balfont Close are in unanimous agreement. We respectfully request the general parking restriction of not having wheels on the pavement is lifted.”*

#### **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.