

THIS PAPER RELATES TO ITEM 3 ON THE AGENDA

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL 7 March 2023 AT 9.30 am

The format of the Special Meeting of Council to hear the petition is as follows:

- 1. The Convenor will ask if there any apologies from Elected Members.
- 2. The Convenor will check if any Elected Member wishes to declare an interest in the item being discussed.
- 3. The Convenor will outline the procedure that will be followed.
- 4. The Monitoring Officer will present her report to the Council.
- 5. The Principal Petitioner will then be introduced by the Convenor and will present the petition to Council (the presentation of the petition should be no longer than 5 minutes although this timing is at the discretion of the Convenor).
- 6. Elected Members will be entitled to ask questions of the Principal Petitioner (as well as the agreed number of petition supporters). Council officers will be present and Elected Members can also ask these officers questions.
- 7. Elected Members will then enter into debate and agree which recommendation in terms of the Monitoring Officer Report to accept.
- 8. Following on the decision in Clause 7 the Convenor will bring the meeting to a close.
- 9. The Council's formal decision on this Petition will be notified in writing to the Principal Petitioner within 7 working days of the date of this Special Meeting.
- 10. In the event of any conflict between the Order of Proceedings contained herein and the Council's Standing Orders then the Council's Standing Orders will take precedence.