

THIS PAPER RELATES TO ITEM 3 ON THE AGENDA

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

MEETING OF THE PETITIONS COMMITTEE - THURSDAY 3 APRIL 2025 AT 1.30 PM

The format of the Petitions Committee to hear the petition is as follows:

- 1. The Chair will ask if there any apologies from Elected Members.
- 2. The Chair will check if any Elected Member wishes to declare an interest in the item being discussed.
- 3. The Chair will outline the procedure that will be followed.
- 4. The Monitoring Officer will present the report to the Committee.
- 5. The Principal Petitioner (or their representative) will then be introduced by the Chair and will present the petition to Committee (the presentation of the petition should be no longer than 5 minutes although this timing is at the discretion of the Chair).
- 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 will make a recommendation to Council.
- 8. Following on the decision in Clause 7 the Chair will bring the meeting to a close.
- 9. The Committee's recommendation to Council on the Petition will be notified in writing to the Principal Petitioner within 7 working days of the date of the Committee Meeting.
- 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.