

**Subject:** Petitions  
**Date of Meeting:** 19 January 2017  
**Report of:** Executive Lead for Strategy Governance & Law  
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**Wards Affected:** All

**FOR GENERAL RELEASE**

**1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:**

- 1.1 To receive those petitions presented to the Full Council and referred to the committee for consideration.
- 1.2 To receive any petitions to be presented or which have been submitted via the council's website or for which notice has been given directly to Democratic Services.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.1 That the Committee responds to the petition either by noting it or writing to the petition organiser setting out the Council's views, or where it is considered more appropriate, calls for an officer report on the matter which may give consideration to a range of options, including the following:
- taking the action requested in the petition
  - considering the petition at a council meeting
  - holding an inquiry into the matter
  - undertaking research into the matter
  - holding a public meeting
  - holding a consultation
  - holding a meeting with petitioners
  - calling a referendum

**3. PETITIONS**

- 3.1 Referred petitions:
- i) **Memorial for the Battle of Boars Head**  
Petition from Mr A Scales referred from the Council meeting held on 15 December 2016 (165 signatures).

To receive the following Petition:

The city of Brighton and Hove has this year commemorated those men who gave their all during the Battle of Boars Head but there is no permanent commemorative memorial specifically for this one day that had such a huge impact on the city. I wish to propose that a permanent memorial be erected, which will ensure that this event does not fade from public memory and ensure that the men are remembered in perpetuity.

### **Justification**

This year has seen the 100th Anniversary of the Battle of Boars Head, this largely unknown battle which had such an overwhelming effect on Sussex and the city of Brighton and Hove had faded into the forgotten past of public memory with only a few knowing about 'The Day Sussex Died'. The number of men lost from the city were unknown and until this year the date was not commemorated in the city.

After recent research the number of men lost as a consequence of the battle is currently 62, this number is not fixed and may rise with further research.