ENVIRONMENT CABINET MEMBER MEETING

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject:		Petitions		
Date of Meeting:		23 July 2009		
Report of:		Acting Director of Strategy & Governance		
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Key Decision:	No			
Wards Affected:		Patcham		

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1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 To receive any petitions presented directly to the Environment Cabinet Member Meeting.
- **15. (i)** To receive the following petition presented directly to the Environment Cabinet Member Meeting by Councillor Pidgeon:

We the undersigned object to adverse effect on parking facilities at Mayfield Crescent, Brighton, through the imposition of double yellow lines.

- **15. (ii)** To receive a petition presented at Cabinet on 9 July by Councillor Kitcat and signed by 37 people calling for an urgent review of how seafront rents and license fees are agreed (for more details see Appendix 1).
- **15. (iii)** To receive the following petition presented at Council on 16 July by Councillor Barnett and signed by 114 people:

We, the undersigned, would like to give our support to Cllr Dawn Barnett, Cllr Tony Janio and Cllr David Smart who are campaigning to reduce the road speed to 20 miles an hour in the Hangleton and Knoll area where there are schools and playgroups.

15. (iv) To receive the following petition presented at Council on 16 July by Councillor Kemble and signed by 196 people:

We the undersigned call upon Brighton & Hove City Council to introduce a 20 mph speed limit and a safe crossing on New Church Road, in the vicinity of The Fold School and Deepdene School.

15. (v) To receive the following petition presented at Council on 16 July by Councillor Duncan and signed by 93 people:

The undersigned believe Brighton and Hove City Council should consult with local residents and the wider community who use Queen's Park to decide the future use of the bowling green. Action is needed to prevent further deterioration of the playing surface and the pavilion and to end the waste of what should be a valuable community asset.

15. (vi) To receive the following petition presented at Council on 16 July by Councillor Brown and signed by 38 people:

We the undersigned urge the council to remove the newly planted trees on the green by Queen Caroline Close and make good any damage to the ground caused by these trees.

We the undersigned also require the removal of the sign restricting enjoyment of the open space to only those of eight years and under.

These trees and the sign both contravene Register of the Title Number ESX 162889 and its restrictive covenant in "maintaining the area as Open Space for recreational purposes for the benefit of the recent housing estate development".

15. (vii) To receive the following petition presented at Council on 16 July by Councillor Randall and signed by 55 people:

The undersigned believe Brighton and Hove City Council should take action to end the activities of those people who use the pavements of Elm Grove as a showroom to sell cars.

This activity has a detrimental effect on the neighbourhood and the local community and is unfair to those legitimate car dealers who pay rent and business rates on their garages and showrooms.

15. (viii) To receive the following petition presented at Council on 16 July by Councillor Bennett and signed by 37 people:

The lower half of Woodland Avenue is enhanced by street trees. Those of us living in the upper section of the road would like trees planted in our part of the avenue to enhance our area.

15. (ix) To receive the following petition presented at Council on 16 July by Councillor McCaffery and signed by 136 people:

Following the announcement that Brighton and Hove City Council is planning to introduce a Residents Parking Scheme at the Fiveways end of Stanford Avenue, we the undersigned oppose this, for the following reasons:

- There is no problem with parking at this end of the road.
- There are no businesses except for a nursery
- There are no plans to impose the scheme on the much busier Ditchling Road
- The imposition of permits is a tax on residents as there are no access or highway safety concerns in this area
- Many of the residents are retired or work from home and need parking spaces during the day. A meter system is unfair and expensive for these residents.

15. (x) To receive the following petition presented at Council on 16 July by Councillor McCaffery and signed by 81 people:

We, the undersigned residents of Waldegrave Road call upon the council to:

- 1) Reject the proposed plan for the triangle of roads north of the train line between Ditchling Road and Stanford Avenue: i.e. the Florence Road, Southdown Avenue, Grantham Road, Rugby Road, Edburton Avenue area.
- 2) Consider the needs of each road within the proposed zone and implement restrictions according to the "problems" in each area. i.e.:
 - a. to impose a light touch restriction in the triangle of roads north of the train tracks (roads listed above) e.g. restrictions between 12 1 pm weekdays only.
 - b. To have full residents parking in areas with real problems such as the Ditchling Rise to Stanley Road area.
- 3) Make a full consultation of all residents likely to be affected by the creation of a new CPZ i.e. all residents within a 200m radius of the edge of the zone **<u>before</u>** implementation of the scheme.
- 4) If any Controlled Parking Zone restrictions are to go ahead as far as Stanford Avenue, then to include Waldegrave Road within that zone to protect Waldegrave Road residents from the displacement parking problem currently faced in the area around Ditchling Rise.
- **15. (xi)** To receive the following petition presented directly to the Environment Cabinet Member Meeting by Councillor Lepper:

We, the undersigned, are gravely concerned about the ever increasing volume and speed of traffic in Davey Drive especially at the junction with The Crossway which is directly opposite St Josephs Primary School. This is an extremely difficult and dangerous stretch pf road to cross to get to the school. The bus stop positioned opposite the school and parked cars add to the danger and difficulties.

It is imperative that Brighton & Hove City Council take appropriate measures before someone is seriously injured or worse, there is a fatality: **we call upon the Council to install a crossing on this part of Davey Drive to give our children a safe place to cross.**