

**Subject:** Petitions  
**Date of Meeting:** 3 July 2017  
**Report of:** Executive Lead, Strategy, Governance and Law  
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**Wards Affected:** All

**FOR GENERAL RELEASE**

**1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:**

- 1.1 To receive any petitions submitted directly to Democratic Services or any e-Petition submitted via the council's website.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.2 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
  - referring the petition for consideration by the council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee
  - calling a referendum

**3. PETITIONS**

**3. (i) Potential Impact of Fireworks on Wild Animals**

To consider and receive the following petition signed by 182 people, referred by the meeting of Full Council held on 6 April 2017:

*"We the undersigned, are asking Brighton & Hove City Council to 1) assess the impact of fireworks on the people and the domestic and wild animals in the community and environment of Brighton & Hove 2) consider what alternatives might be available (for example to investigate if there is a way to reduce noise but keep the spectacle. Silent firework displays could, for example, pave the way for fabulous musical events with music instead of explosions accompanying the fireworks and 3)*

*review the sale of fireworks to the public for private use with particular reference to the allowable sound volume.”*