

**Subject:** Petitions Referred from Council  
**Date of Meeting:** 9 February 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) **Don't Cut the Youth Services**  
Petition from Ms. K. Barker referred from the Council meeting held on 26 January 2017 (2042 signatures).

To receive the following Petition:

“Brighton and Hove city council are planning to cut the youth services budgets over the coming few months, which means a lot of youth service centres will close! We think the youth services are helpful for young people in Brighton and Hove and gives them something to do within their free time instead of getting involved in gangs etc... please help us stop the council and let's get our voices heard!”

3.2 Extract from the meeting of Council on 26 January 2017 attached as an appendix.