

Subject: Petitions
Date of Meeting: 11 March 2019
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) Hove Carnegie Library

To receive the following petition signed by 123 people, presented by Councillor Wealls and referred by the meeting of Full Council held on 31 January 2019:

"We, the undersigned Carnegie readers, who have endured over three years' anxiety about our Library, are now aghast to find that the Council's current Administration proposes our libraries' reduction be a swingeing "242,000. We request that this be halted while Councillors explore the return in-house of bibliographical services – such as a book selection - to our esteemed librarians."

