

Subject:	Petitions		
Date of Meeting:	16 December 2009		
Report of:	Director of Strategy & Governance		
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Key Decision:	No		
Wards Affected:	Preston Park		

FOR GENERAL RELEASE**1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:**

1.1 To receive the following petition to be presented directly to the Planning Committee.

1.2(i) To receive the following petition:

“We the undersigned would urge Brighton & Hove City Council to contest the Planning Inspector’s decision to grant permission for development of the former railway allotment land between the Open House pub and London Road Station.

The Inspector’s decision was flawed because he discounted the testimony of hundreds of local residents and users of the station who want to keep this land as green open space. He also failed to give adequate consideration to several other issues which are relevant to the case, such as the impact of the development on biodiversity, on parking, the noise nuisance to potential residents of the development from railway engineering works, and the treat it would pose to the Open House, a very popular community pub.

The Council opposed this scheme at application and appeal stages and must continue to do so, and to enforce its own decisions, if it is to retain any credibility.”

