

# CULTURE RECREATION & TOURISM CABINET MEMBERS MEETING

**Agenda Item 38**  
Brighton & Hove City Council

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Petitions</b>
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>28 October 2008</b>
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	<b>Director of Strategy &amp; Governance</b>
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<b>Key Decision:</b>	No
<b>Wards Affected:</b>	All

## FOR GENERAL RELEASE

### 1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

To receive the following petitions presented at Council on the 9 October 2008 and any petitions presented directly to the Culture Recreation & Tourism Cabinet Members Meeting.

To receive the following petition presented at Council on the 9 October 2008 by Councillor Hamilton and signed by 129 people:

*"We, the undersigned, call upon the Council to plan for a meaningful increase in the book stocks and opening hours of our City's libraries as a matter of the first priority."*

To receive the following petition presented at Council on the 9 October 2008 by Councillor Davis and signed by 123 people:

*"We, the undersigned, urge the Council to commemorate the crucial, 1910 residence of Katherine Mansfield in Rottingdean"*

To receive the following petition presented at Council on 9 October 2008 by Councillor McCaffery and signed by 131 people:

*"In September 2007 the bronze statue of Olympic gold medal winner Steve Ovett was stolen from Preston Park and, although retrieved, damaged beyond repair. We the undersigned think this is a loss to the City's sporting and cultural heritage, and therefore ask that Brighton and Hove Council replace the statue of this local hero."*

*Councillor McCaffery has added the following “I wish to present this petition of 131 signatures from the residents of Preston Park Ward and the users of Preston Park calling for the replacement of the Steve Ovetts statue stolen in 2007. We presented a petition to the Cabinet Member for Environment without result, and we are therefore presenting this petition of the Cabinet Member for Culture and Tourism, a great sporting enthusiast, hoping that he will recognise the importance of valuing our athletics champion in the run up to the 2012 Olympics and take action to replace the statue.”*