

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Petitions</b>
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>8 December 2011</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	<b>Strategic Director, Resources</b>
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<b>Key Decision:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Wards Affected:</b>	<b>Various</b>

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

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

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.1 That the Cabinet responds to the petition(s) 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****3.1 (i) Oppose the Proposed Westdene School Expansion**

To receive the following e-Petition and paper petition presented at by Ms Sharon Scott and signed by 176 people (to date):

"We the undersigned petition the council to scrap its plan to admit four forms of entry to Westdene School in September 2012."

3.3 **(ii) Support the Proposed Westdene School Expansion**

To receive the following e-Petition and paper petition presented at by Mr Tim Wade and signed by 78 people (to date):

*“We the undersigned petition the council to admit four forms of entry to Westdene School in September 2012.”*