

Subject:	Petitions		
Date of Meeting:	11 September 2013		
Report of:	Head of Legal and Democratic Services		
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Key Decision:	No		
Wards Affected:	All		

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:

2.2 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) Improving Mental Health with Mindfulness**

To receive the following e-Petition submitted by John Kapp and signed by 8 people at 2nd September 2013. Petition runs until 10 September 2013.

"We the undersigned call on the Health and Wellbeing Board to empower the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to outsource provision of the Mindfulness Based Cognitive Therapy (MBCT) course to the third sector, so that GPs could prescribe it on a voucher scheme to reduce the waiting time from 20 years to a few weeks."

