

Subject: Petitions
Date of Meeting: 8 October 2014
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Wards Affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 To receive those petitions presented to the Full Council and referred to the committee for consideration.
- 1.2 To receive any petitions to be presented or which have been submitted via the council's website or for which notice has been given directly to Democratic Services.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 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

- 3.1 Notified petitions:

3.1.1 (i) Drug and Alcohol Misuse Services – UNISON

To receive the following petition signed by 1608 signatures and the accompanying ePetition signed by 573 signatures:

“We the undersigned petition Brighton & Hove Council: Please don’t dismantle our public services. Keep Brighton’s drug and alcohol services in the NHS and don’t put out to tender.”

Lead petitioner – UNISON Sussex Partnership Branch