

Subject: Member Petitions
Date of Meeting: 28 April 2016
Report of: Head of Legal & Democratic Services & Monitoring Officer
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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 Referred petitions:

i) **Save Hove Library**

Petition from Councillor Mac Cafferty referred from the Council meeting held on the 24 March 2016 (3938 online signatures).

To receive the following Petition:

We the undersigned are concerned to hear that Hove Library is potentially under threat from the cuts in this year's Council budget.

We urge the City Council to reject the closure of our much loved library.

(Extract from the meeting of Council on 24 March 2016 attached as an appendix).