Committee: Council

Date: 6 February 2019

Subject: Petitions

Lead officer: Paul Evans, Assistant Director, Corporate Governance.

Lead member: Leader of the Council, Councillor Stephen Alambritis.

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Recommendation:

- **1.** That Council receive petitions (if any) in accordance with Part 4A, paragraph 18.1 of the Council's Constitution.
- **2.** That Council notes the responses provided to the petitions submitted at the meeting held on 6 February 2019.

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1. This report invites Council to receive petitions in accordance with Part 4A, paragraph 18.1 of the Council's Constitution.

2 DETAILS

- 2.1. At the meeting held on 21 November 2018, the petitions listed below were submitted and the responses are set out below. Any petitions received by Council are referred to respective departments with responsible officers asked to advise the presenting member in each case of the way in which the petition is to be progressed.
- 2.2. A petition was submitted by Councillor Nick McLean on the application of a blanket injunction banning illegal traveller incursions

Officer Response

- 2.3 "It is intended to apply for an injunction before Christmas. This is expected to cover parks, open spaces (including Cannon Hill Common) and cemeteries (118), Mitcham Common (Wimbledon Common obtained one directly), Allotments (20), car parks (10 excluding multi storey), Libraries (7), Corporate accommodation (2), Schools (17 plus 5 Voluntary Aided if possible) industrial property and highways. The procedure requires that the initial injunction will be for three months following which an injunction for five years will be sought."
- 2.6 Members are invited to present petitions at this meeting, and a response will be provided to the next ordinary Council meeting in April 2019.

3 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

3.1. None for the purposes of this report.

4 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED

4.1. None for the purpose of this report.

5 TIMETABLE

- 5.1. None for the purpose of this report.
- 6 FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS

6.1. None for the purpose of this report.

7 LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1. None for the purpose of this report.
- 8 HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS
- 8.1. None for the purpose of this report.

9 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

9.1. None for the purpose of this report.

10 RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

11 APPENDICES

11.1.None

12 BACKGROUND PAPERS

12.1. None.