

Committee: Council

Date: 6 April 2016

Subject: Petitions

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

Lead member: Leader of the Council, Stephen Alambritis.

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Recommendation: That Council

- 1) receives petitions (if any) in accordance with Part 4A, paragraph 18.1 of the Council's Constitution; and
 - 2) note the response given by officers in respect of the petitions presented to the 6 April 2016 Council meeting.
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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 6 April 2016, Council received a petition as detailed 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. Petition – '*Amending the Mitcham Green Cricket Conservative Area*' submitted by Councillor Judy Saunders.

In response to the petition officers confirmed that the Council is required to undertake character assessments of the conservation areas it has designated and undertake reviews from time to time. There is an on-going programme of assessment and reviews of conservation areas which is governed by resources available. When an assessment or a review is carried out the boundaries of the conservation area are considered and adjusted as is appropriate at that time. This then forms part of the public consultation of the whole draft assessment. The current Mitcham Cricket Green Conservation Area Appraisal was approved in 2013 and unfortunately it is unlikely to be reviewed again for some years. However when it is reviewed there will be the opportunity for the boundaries to be reviewed.

3 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 3.1. None for the purpose 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.