Committee: Council
Date: 5 February 2020
Subject: Petitions

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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 18 September 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 18 September 2019, the petition listed below was submitted and the response is 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 Edward Gretton on the Wimbledon Park paddling pool.

Officer Response
2.3 “The Council sincerely regrets that it was unable to open the splash pad (the Elisabeth Pool) during the 2019 summer season due to technical issues. This facility has reached the end of its life and cannot be repaired further. Full replacement requiring capital investment is needed. Subject to capital funds being available the Council remains committed to replacing this popular facility for future summer seasons as soon as possible but this would not be before the summer season 2020 at the earliest. Council finances remain constrained and this capital scheme is one of several seeking funding as part of the 2020/21 capital programme.”

2.6 Members are invited to present petitions at this meeting, and a response will be provided to the next ordinary Council meeting in February 2020.

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.