

PRESENTATION OF PETITION PURSUANT TO PROCEDURE RULE 11

1 PETITION

- 1.1 Pursuant to Council Procedure Rules a petition has been received from Mr David Miles containing 2737 signatures which means it has reached the threshold (1,500) at which it will be debated at Full Council. The detail of the petition is as follows:-
- 1.2 Title: Against the Closure of Hockley Public Toilets.
- 1.3 Further Details: This concerns the plan for all public toilets, with the exception of those at Hockley Woods to be disposed of either by closure and sale, or through transfer of the asset upon a long-term lease to the relevant Town/Parish Council. The disposal of these assets to be completed by April 2018.
- 1.4 Local residents wish to retain the Hockley Public Toilets without any closure or loss of provision whatsoever being forced on local residents and visitors.
- 1.5 Rochford District Council has indicated that it intends to withdraw from a public toilets cleaning contract by April 2018. Residents do not wish to see any closure at all of the Hockley Public Toilets. Rochford District Council would not answer questions from a Councillor on 18 July at Full Council about the fate of the Hockley Toilets. Residents now demand that this issue is addressed in Council.
- 1.6 The petition can be found on the Council's website at:-
<https://rochford.cmis.uk.com/rochford/EPetitions/tabid/90/ID/26/Against-the-closure-of-Hockley-Public-Toilets.aspx>

2 PROCEDURE

Presentation by Petition Organiser

- 2.1 In accordance with Procedure Rules the petition organiser or a person acting on their behalf will be allowed a maximum of 5 minutes to present the petition.

Debate

- 2.2 Members will be allowed a maximum of 15 minutes for debate. Debate should be directed to action required by the petition. The petition relates to matters that fall within the District Council's remit.

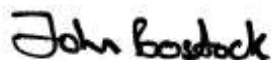
Response Following Debate

2.3 Following debate the Council will decide how to respond to the petition by either:-

- Taking the action requested in the petition.
- Not taking the action requested for reasons put forward in the debate, or
- Commissioning further investigation into the matter.

Notification of Response

2.4 The petition organiser will receive written confirmation of the decision made and this will be published on the Council's website.



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Background Papers:-

None.

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