
Report To:	The Petitions Committee	Date:	30 January 2025
Report By:	Head of Legal, Democratic, Digital & Customer Services	Report No:	LS/005/25
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Subject:	Petitions Update Report		

1.0 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

- 1.1 For Decision For Information/Noting
- 1.2 The purpose of this report is to update the Committee on petitions previously reported on and on new petitions received since the last meeting of the Committee.
- 1.3 The position in relation to petitions received and previously reported on is as detailed in Appendix 1.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee notes the position in relation to petitions previously reported on and new petitions received since the date of the last report, all as detailed in Appendix 1.

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3.0 BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

- 3.1 The Committee received and noted a report to its meeting on 16 March 2023 providing an overview on the position in relation to all petitions received to that date, which overview confirmed if in each case further updates would be brought to the Committee at a later date. Appendix 1 includes any such updates.
- 3.2 Appendix 1 also includes details of all new petitions received since the preparation of the above report, and how these have been dealt with by officers.
- 3.3 The Committee will note from Appendix 1 that the petition received, namely the petition “Parking at Cloch Road, Gourrock ”, submitted by Gourrock Community Council has achieved the level of support necessary for it to be brought before this committee for consideration. This petition is the subject of a separate report to the Committee.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The table below shows whether risks and implications apply if the recommendation(s) is(are) agreed:

SUBJECT	YES	NO	N/A
Financial		X	
Legal/Risk		X	
Human Resources		X	
Strategic (Partnership Plan/Council Plan)		X	
Equalities & Fairer Scotland Duty & Children/Young People’s Rights & Wellbeing			X
Environmental & Sustainability			X
Data Protection			X

4.2 Finance

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report	Virement From	Other Comments
None					

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments
None					

4.3 Legal/Risk

Petitions submitted are evaluated by officers in Legal, Democratic, Digital & Customer Services with reference to the approved criteria, and either rejected or progressed on that basis. Individual petitions will only be brought before the Committee as a separate item of business when they

have been published and attracted the necessary level of support, all in terms of the Council's Standing Orders and the approved petitions procedures.

4.4 Human Resources

There are no direct Human Resource implications arising from this report.

4.5 Strategic

There are no Strategic implications arising from this report.

5.0 CONSULTATION

5.1 None

6.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 None

Update on petitions progress as at 30 January 2025

Petitioner	Title	Submitted	Start Date	Closing Date	Update (Cttee)	Next Steps (Cttee)
Lesley Pieri	Construction of a new pedestrian crossing on the Lochwinnoch Road, Kilmacolm in the vicinity of the shops.	25/07/22	[]	[]	At the meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee on 4 May 2023 consideration was given to the petition fulfilling a remit from the Petitions Committee of 16 March 2023 Following consideration, it was decided that it be remitted to the Shared Head of Roads & Environmental Services to submit a further report on options for pedestrian safety enhancements at Lochwinnoch Road, Kilmacolm.	As the matter is now the subject of a separate reporting to Environment and Regeneration, no further update will be provided to this Committee.
Claire Jamieson	Fore Street Car Parking Charges	22/09/22	13/10/22		At the meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee held on 4 May 2023 consideration was given to the petition fulfilling a remit from the Petitions Committee of 10 November 2022 it was agreed that the current parking tariff remains in place at the Fore Street Car Park, Port Glasgow; that it be noted that there is a process in place which allows the NHS to formally request that Inverclyde Council regulates their car park via a Traffic Regulation Order and offer to agree associated costs; and that it be noted that each of the three doctors' surgeries will be entitled to apply as businesses for permits under the proposed Business Parking Permit scheme should that scheme be implemented.	No further updates will be brought to this Committee.
Mr Kevin Green	Port Glasgow Anniversary 2025	12/03/2024	01/05/2024	31/10/2024	A petition was received seeking Council recognition of the upcoming 250 th anniversary of the formation of the Port Glasgow Burgh, however as this overlapped with the subject matter of a report to the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on 13 August 2024, in terms of the Petitions Criteria applying it could not be considered by this Committee. The petitioner	No further updates will be brought to this Committee.

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Gourock Community Council	Parking at Cloch Road	25/04/2024	13/06/2024	14/12/2024	<p>was advised of this. The decision of the Policy and Resources Committee was that the use of £40,000 from the Common Good Fund to develop a number of events to celebrate the 250th anniversary of Port Glasgow becoming a burgh be approved. These events will be co-ordinated through the Council's Corporate Communications team, who will discuss proposals with the petitioner and the community.</p> <p>The petition has received the requisite level of support and is being brought before the Committee for consideration.</p>	The petition is the subject of a separate report for consideration by the Committee.