## Petitions and Outcomes 2017

Petition tracker number	Subject of petition	Date received	Medway Council's response	Outcome of review (if requested)
39	Sunday. Costing	December 2017	This petition and all other comments received during the public consultation period will be taken into account in the consultation response report.	No review requested
38	Objection to planning application 17/3944 - Frindsbury Car wash	December	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
37	development of the	December 2017	This petition relates to a possible future planning application and will be dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
	of All Saints Nursery,	21 November 2017	An alternative arrangement has been found to keep All Saints Nursery open between January and July 2018 for all the children who currently attend. There were also discussions to find a permanent solution to keep the nursery open after the summer break in 2018. Parents would be updated as soon as there is confirmation on future permanent arrangements.	At the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 5 December 2017, the Committee noted that the nursery will remain open until July 2018 and that a permanent solution was being sought to keep the nursery open after the summer break in 2018
35	MC/17/3484 -	21 November	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable

33	Petition for Medway Council to scrap car parking charges at The Strand, Gillingham	2017	The pay and display facility will ensure the safe and orderly use of the car park and prevent indiscriminate parking that could cause obstruction. It will also free up space throughout the day. The car park has been misused by local businesses and students taking advantage of free parking and this has limited the available parking for Strand	At the Regeneration Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 7 December 2017, the Committee agreed that a report be submitted to the 23 January 2018 meeting of this Committee setting out the outcome of the Portfolio Holder's review of car parking charges at The Strand Leisure Park.
32	Petition for Medway Council to reverse the decision to close Kingfisher Sure Start	12 October 2017	A new model of integrated Early Help service will be delivered through four Children and Family Hubs, nine Children and Family Wellbeing Centres, and local community outreach points. The catchment areas of a number of these centres will cover the residential areas currently served by Kingfisher. It is hoped that some community and health services may be able to take place at schools such as Kingfisher where a Hub or Wellbeing Centre will not to be located.	No review requested
31	Petition for Medway Council to introduce a Controlled Parking Zone (permit parking) in Knight Avenue, Gillingham	12 October 2017	As a result of the petition, the expansion of the existing Controlled Zone area in adjacent roads will be programmed for Knight Avenue.	No review requested

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30	changes to parking	12 September 2017	Resident controlled parking zones are implemented at the request of residents in areas where parking is at a premium, such as rail stations, universities, health centres, hospitals etc. Full consultation is carried out and the majority view taken into account. A resident permit for a specific vehicle may be purchased and visitor permits that can be transferred between cars are available.	No review requested
28	Petition for Medway Council to open a Community Café at Rochester Community Hub	2017	This petition was responded to as an enquiry as there were no valid addresses on the petition as required by the petitions scheme.	Not applicable
27	Objection to Planning Application 17/1778 - 2 Connaught Road	2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
26		26 July 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
25			The requested works were agreed.	Not applicable

24		20 July 2017	It is not proposed to close 19 Children's Centres but to deliver Early Help services from four hubs and some satellite sites. There was an excellent response to a consultation and the feedback would inform the business case presented to Cabinet.	At the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 1 August 2017, the Committee noted that outcome of the consultation and agreed that the key points made during the discussion be referred to Cabinet for consideration.
23	Road Safety, Rectory Grange, Canon Close and Maidstone Road	5 July	The Council will revisit walking bus routes with St William of Perth RC Primary School but is unable to progress the parking restriction request on this occasion.	At the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 17 August 2017, the Committee noted that there will be increased enforcement activity around the school and that a site visit with Ward Councillors would be held to assess what further action that can be taken. The issue of a Walking Bus for the local school would be referred to the Road Safety Team.
		21 June 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
21		27 April 2017	Parking fees have been frozen for the past five years and will now be brought in line with those of neighbouring authorities while remaining competitively priced. This will enable the continued provision of high-quality parking facilities across Medway.	No review requested

20	Petition for the Arriva 116 Bus Service to be Reinstated	27 April 2017	As bus services are operated commercially, bus operators decide on the level of provision based on demand and commercial viability. The Council's Mobility service serves Chatham, Hempstead Valley and Medway Maritime Hospital and is designed for people who are elderly or have a disability.	No review requested
19	Veterans to be added to the Medway Passport to Leisure	15 June 2017	This discount card makes sport and leisure more accessible to a wider group of people living in Medway. In addition, the Medway City Card is available to the over 60s whilst serving members of the Armed Forces qualify for Corporate Premier Membership which includes the use of a range of sporting facilities.	No review requested
18		19 June 2017	The STP is an exciting opportunity to integrate primary, community, mental health and social care and re-orientate some elements of traditional acute hospital care into the community. This will ensure joined-up care that considers the individual as a whole and provides connections across the system that will reduce pressure on NHS services whilst maintaining quality of care.	No review requested
17	planning application	27 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
16		27 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable

15	Petition objecting to planning application 17/0207 - Hunters Way	27 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
14	Petition objecting to planning application 17/0410 - Rockery Lodge	27 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
13	Petition to improve street lighting in Holmside, Gillingham	20 February 2017	A new lighting scheme was installed in Holmside in 2007. Some columns were removed and repositioned to ensure a good spread of lighting throughout the road. The street lighting in Holmside is considered to be to a high standard and there are currently no plans to improve the lighting further.	No review requested
12		8 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable

11	We the undersigned petition the council to provide shelter and food for homeless people	2 February 2017	secure single rooms. It directly commissions 93 rooms and flats for homeless people through the Housing Related Support budget and Housing Benefit funds approximately 340 units for vulnerable people. There are several groups/forums that meet to attempt to address issues associated with rough sleeping. A Severe Weather Emergency Protocol (SWEP) safeguards rough sleepers during periods of cold weather and the voluntary Medway Winter Night Shelter provides 12 beds at a number of venues. The HALO shelter of 14 beds act as an overspill for the winter night shelter.	At the Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 13 April 2017, the Committee referred the petition to Cabinet for consideration, together with the comments made by the Committee. At Cabinet on 9 May 2017, the report and the comments from the Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee were noted. Cabinet recognised the scale of the ongoing work being done by the Council to co- ordinate and improve the overall quality of the service provided by all agencies, public and voluntary, to the street homeless.
		26 January 2017	Officers from Integrated Transport Service will meet with Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Holder in due course to discuss the issues raised. The petition organiser would then be contacted.	

9	26 January 2017	parking restrictions are subject to legal process and public consultation. Residents parking schemes are considered when there are major attractor locations such as railway stations, hospitals or University halls of residence. In the current financial climate, and as this location does not have any of the above mentioned attractors in the area, the Council are unfortunately not able to progress the	At the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 28 March 2017, the committee noted the Director's comments in the report and endorsed the proposal outlined at the meeting that a Parking Engineer liaises with local residents to try and find a positive solution.
8		The Council introduces road safety measures on the basis of casualty reduction and locations with a poor road casualty history are tackled first. Three slight injury collisions, none involving pedestrians, were recorded in the area in question during the last three years of available Police records. Raised features such as speed bumps are typically used to maintain slow moving traffic rather than	No Review Requested

7		2017	Officers from Integrated Transport met with local Ward Councillors together with a representative from the shop. A compromise was discussed involving a shared use bay and a public consultation on this would take place in March 2017.	No review Requested
6		20 January 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
5	Supporting the proposals of double yellow lines on the junction of Birch Grove and Plumtree Grove Hempstead	17 January 2017	The petition was considered as part of the consultation process. Agreement was reached between the parties on the extent of double yellow lines at the junction	No review Requested
4		5 January 2017	Officers from Integrated Transport will meet with Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Holder to discuss the issues raised by residents. The petitioner organiser would then be contacted.	
3	Objection to Controlled Parking Zone in Strood North	4 January	Officers from Integrated Transport would meet with Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Folder to discuss the issues raised by residents. The petitioner organiser would then be contacted.	
2	Objection to Controlled Parking Zone outside Prospect Hair Design and Bill St Barbers in Strood North	2017	Officers from Integrated Transport would meet with Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Folder to discuss the issues raised by residents. The petitioner organiser would then be contacted.	

1	Objection to Proposed Control Parking Zone in Strood North		Officers from Integrated Transport would meet with Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Folder to discuss the issues raised by residents. The petitioner organiser would then be contacted.	
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47	Changes to	22 December 2016	The petition would be included in the formal report collating all of the comments received during the public consultation period, and this will be considered as part of the process.	No review requested
46	Save Medway DoE awards	19 December 2016	Medway has a proud history of delivering the DofE award programme and is in the top quartile of delivery of the award in the UK. The DofE SE Region proposal now offers a solution to the school licence situation, sustainable staffing support to the Medway DofE programme, the development of a DofE regional centre of excellence and the prospect of a zero funding requirement on Medway Council at the beginning of year 3.The Region believes it is best placed to support Medway DofE to ensure the security and consistency of DofE	At the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 19 January 2017 the committee accepted the Cabinet decisions 149-151/2016, as set out in the report and agreed to take no further action.
	BITCH GTOVA SHA	16 December 2016	The petition will be included in the formal report collating all of the comments received during the public consultation period, and this will be considered as part of the wider process. A member of the Integrated Transport Team will follow this up with the lead petitioner in due course.	No review requested
44	Begging in Rochester	29 November 2016	The Council is aware that there is a small, but persistent cohort of people, who from time to time beg in Medway, and in particular Rochester. These people have complex problems, including homelessness,	No review requested

Petition tracker number	Subject of	Date received	Medway Council's response multiple substance abuse and mental health issues, and have no means of support other than to resort to begging. While their presence is not generally welcome, the Council has been working with partner agencies to tackle this issue. The petition organiser and his co-petitioners were invited to attend a multi- agency meeting, including local Councillors, to let them know what the Council is doing, what powers the Council has and to jointly explore a constructive way	Outcome of review (if requested)
43	5 5	23 November	forward. Officers are working to identify the best location to place the new sign, with a view to installing this as soon as possible. The aim is to have the sign in place within eight weeks, but this will depend on whether a new post is required and what impact this will have on the street scene.	No review requested
42	~	11 November	Officers from the Integrated Transport Service were due to attend a meeting with the petition organiser's local Ward Councillor to discuss the issues that residents have raised. Once these discussions had taken place, a representative from	No review requested

			junction with Queen Street) will not be implemented. Instead, it is intended that Zone R will be extended up Maidstone Road to Queen Street and this scheme would be subject to further public consultation. Until this new scheme is consulted on, parking will remain unchanged and residents will not be required to purchase new R1 permits.	
41 o	Petition in objection to any development of Capstone Valley	13 October	Outline planning application MC/14/2395 for up to 450 dwellings at Gibraltar Farm was refused by the Council and, following an appeal by the applicant, a Public Inquiry was held early in October and the decision of the Secretary Of State is awaited. Outline planning application MC/16/2776 for 44 dwellings on land at Brickfields, Darland Farm has yet to be determined by the Council.	No review requested

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			consulted on an Issues and Options paper. Having considered the responses, there will be consultation on a Spatial Options Report in early 2017.	
40	Petition to reinstate the 176/177 Arriva Bus to ASDA Gillingham Pier	13 October	Drive section revised to every 20 minutes. As these services are operated commercially, it is ultimately Arriva's decision to see if the level of provision meets demand, and whether it is commercially viable. There is no requirement for bus companies to consult; an operator is only required to give 56 days' notice to the Traffic Commissioner for England. Asda have been approached for funding and a response is awaited. At other Asda Stores, a free Asda funded bus service is provided on certain days of the week.	At a meeting of the meeting of the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 8 December 2016, it was resolved that officers pursue the receipt of an updated Bus Strategy from Peel Holdings and, in doing so arrange a meeting with appropriate representatives from Arriva, ASDA Peel Holdings and Ward Councillors to discuss options for the provision of a Bus Service to ASDA store at Chatham Waters and advise members of the outcome.

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			at the University campus throughout the day.	
			Dialogue with Arriva will continue on whether their decision on the 177 can be reviewed, but since the deregulation of the bus industry, companies will only run commercially profitable services. Medway Council has a limited input to support services, mainly in the evenings and weekends or on certain routes when the bus companies have deemed it not commercially viable to run or where there is a social need. It can be argued that the 176 service does still give access to residents of Lower Gillingham to other food superstores in Gillingham and Chatham town centres, so from a social need viewpoint it would be hard for the council to fund extra services directly going into the Asda store within the current financial climate.	
			Nu-Venture will be running a 185 service from Monday to Friday providing hourly shuttles to Asda Gillingham Pier from Chatham Waterfront Bus Station between 10am and 2pm. Although this is not serving the residents of Lower Gillingham directly, residents can use a combination of the 176 and 185 to get there.	
			A copy of the petition will be forwarded to Arriva's local	

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			team to make them aware of the local residents' views.	
39	Petition regarding a crossing for Sultan Road, Lordswood	13 October	A scheme has been designed and is ready to be implemented, subject to the results of formal consultation. It is estimated that it will cost in the region of £38,000 to fully implement the scheme from the Local Transport Plan grant. Funding for traffic and road safety is allocated on a priority basis where indicators such as accident statistics are considered, and this scheme is in the overall programme of improvements. As soon as the Council is able, the scheme will be considered for funding.	No review requested
38	Petition in objection to planning application MC/16/374250 - Retirement Homes land south of View Road, Cliffe Woods		This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
37	Petition in objection to planning application 16/36/69225 - Land of West of Town Road Cliffe Woods	13 October	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
36	Petition in objection to planning application ref 16/3257 for the siting of 26 caravans plus	11 October	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable

Petition tracker number	Subject of petition parking, laundry and recreation facilities for upto 140 seasonal workers at New Barn Farm	Date received	Medway Council's response	Outcome of review (if requested)
35	Petition against application 16/3257: Change of use and the siting of 26 caravans on the	6 October	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
34		29 September	residential area. Sadly, speeding road users have become a common concern for many of Medway's residents. Many requests for speed reduction measures are received and each is carefully considered. Whilst speeding, inconsiderate and dangerous drivers are all matters of serious concern, the basis upon which speed reduction measures are introduced is casualty reduction. Those locations already recording an ongoing poor road casualty history are tackled first, to prevent further casualties on our	At a meeting of the meeting of the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 8 December 2016, it was noted that the Assistant Director of Frontline Services will investigate the possible provision of a mini roundabout at the junction of Palmerston Road with Magpie Hall Road and will report back to the Committee on the associated benefits of this roundabout and the costs involved and circulate to members the priority list of roads for traffic calming measures.

Petition tracker number	Subject of petition		Medway Council's response monitored to identify areas of increased injury risk. An investigation has shown that three slight injury collisions have been recorded at Magpie Hall Road during the last three years of available Police records. Whilst this is three too many, regrettably, at the current time there are many other locations within Medway recording poorer ongoing casualty problems. Those locations would be tackled first to help prevent further casualties on our roads. Following due consideration, it is unfortunately not possible for physical speed restriction	
			measures to be introduced at this time, although the collision record at this location will continue to be monitored.	
	Stop the sale of BAE Social Club	40	Developers are expected to undertake some public consultation on their ideas for the site prior to submitting a planning application. When an application is received the Council will undertake its own consultation and will consider all comments received.	No review requested
			The Council offers a number of services to local start up businesses including grants, loans and wider business training and workshop sessions through its Regeneration Delivery Service.	
	Flytipping in alleyway between	Santamnar	This public right of way is scheduled to be cleansed every four weeks by the	No review requested

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	Hartington Street and Herbert Road		Council's cleansing contractor, Veolia. Waste Services have been requested to arrange a response cleanse as soon as possible. In addition, the local Community Warden will make regular visits to the area and engage with residents concerning refuse and bulky items.	
31	Proposed Parking Zone, Ruxton Square	8 September	The Integrated Transport team would consider the concerns raised as part of the consultation process for this scheme.	No review requested
30	Petition to have Christmas decorations at Twydall Shopping Centre	7 September	In 2015, the Council provided Christmas lights in Twydall Shopping Centre despite tight budget constraints and consideration will be given to the request for lights for this year. The Council values Twydall very highly as demonstrated by the recent investment in providing the new Neighbourhood Community Hub which will be an excellent facility for the whole community in Twydall and the surrounding areas.	No review requested
29	Objection to planning application 16- 2656 Broomhill Park, Strood	September	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
28		22 August 2016	The 151 bus serves Upper Halling every two hours and has done so since the contract was tendered by Kent County Council in 2010. Buses from Kings Hill to Chatham serve Upper Halling at 0728, 0952, 1152, 1352, 1535, 1606 and 1801. Buses from Chatham to	No review requested

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			Kings Hill serve Upper Halling at 0742, 0919, 1019, 1219, 1425 and 1741. Whilst a two-hourly service does impose some constraints, it is common in rural areas where bus patronage is generally low. The Council also supports the Villager Service providing a shopping trip from Upper Halling to Tesco on Friday mornings, and the Medway Mobility Service, which serves Upper Halling on Wednesdays. The Council is committed to ensuring that residents have reasonable access to some form of public transport. Funding for supporting socially necessary bus services is very limited and has to be allocated carefully. Overall, the Council considers that residents of Upper Halling have acceptable, albeit basic, access to services and amenities by public transport.	
27	Keep the Strand Lido Gillingham open for all	21 July 2016		At a meeting of the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 25 October 2016, it was noted that officers are actively involved in working with the Friends of Strand Pool on a defined programme reviewing cleanliness of the Pool, demand for the facility, temperature triggers for opening the Pool to the public, increasing income from the facility to aid the cost of running the Pool,

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			marketing over the previous two years. Usage is heavily weather dependant and it was appropriate to review opening times given the level of customer usage, size of the pool and lifeguard requirements. The pool was open over weekends from the end of May, during hot sunny weather in July, and daily throughout the summer holidays. Opening days were adjusted for weekdays in June and July when children were still at school and the ambient temperature was still relatively low.	methods of recording visitors and decoration and physical conditions of the Pool.
			For comparison purposes, this equated to 26 days in 2015, of which 20 had an average usage of below 2.5 customers per hour and four others had an average usage of below 3.5 customers per hour. This shows that considerable budget was spent providing a service for very few customers, which was an unsustainable position. The Council are happy to work with the Friends of Strand Group to trial sessions outside core opening hours to see if there is a regular latent demand which is currently not being met.	
			Considerable publicity and promotion has been undertaken in the past two years, including a promotional film, posters, leaflets, e-mail newsletters, media coverage and social media, alongside improved signage. The vast numbers of people who visit the	

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			swimming pool on hot, sunny days suggest there is extensive knowledge of the facility.	
			The Council's Engineers who undertook these schemes considered every user of the pavement and residents that park their vehicles off road and will always endeavour to make improvements within the parameters and constraints of the existing footway.	
	Objections to the new pavements of William Street Rainham	21 July 2016	were taken into account and the engineer spoke directly to residents and acceded to their requests for alterations where possible.	At a meeting of the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 25 October, the officer
			A gradient of at least 2.5% or 1:40 is required to discharge rain water from pavements towards the road. Where there is a requirement to drop the front kerbs for vehicular access, the gradient will generally be increased due to the difference in levels. The vehicular crossing installed is of the standard type, has a natural continuous flow with the footway and eliminates the use of short steep ramps with excessive gradient hazards for pavement users. The pavement and vehicle crossings have been constructed in the same	

Petition tracker number	Subject of		Medway Council's response manner and with a similar specification as Taswell Road where the increased width of the pavement enables the gradient to be shallower and less obvious. Station Road, in the vicinity of William Street, is mainly terraced housing and has only one vehicular crossing which provides access into the public house. All other parking is 'on road', hence the continuous level surface. Given the limited width of the footway in William Street, it is difficult for two pedestrians to pass each other at any given point. To construct a continuous level surface would create unacceptable gradients at each vehicle crossing point that may	
25	Keep Splashes Leisure pool open until at least 9.30pm on Sunday evenings	21 July 2016	restrict pedestrian movement and prove hazardous to others. The opening hours were adjusted in January 2016 to more accurately reflect customer usage. This included changing the adult swimming session on Sunday evening from 8pm to 7pm. Monitoring has indicated that in 2015 the 8pm adult swimming session operated on 46 occasions	No review requested

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			being met by the amended times and, while the changes may cause inconvenience to specific customers, there is no evidence to suggest a change to the current opening hours is required.	
24	Make the crossing on Rochester Road, Halling safe	21 July 2016	served by a footway on one side and a formal assessment is needed to consider whether a pedestrian refuge island is possible. The results of further investigations will be reported to the lead petitioner. When setting speed limits,	At a meeting of the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 25 October, the officer actions set out in the report were noted officers were thanked for their quick response in taking action in response to this petition.

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			The Council takes all concerns for road safety seriously and acts to improve safety wherever possible. Road safety improvements must always relate to casualty reduction and the Council has made good long term progress in driving down casualties by monitoring all roads and targeting the locations with the poorest road safety records first. Road safety investment is actively pursued wherever possible, such as the nearby St Andrews Park development. This has seen the introduction of additional central islands and a proposed lower (40mph) speed limit.	
23	Objection to Planning Application MC-16- 1937, 36 Brendon Avenue	1 July 2016	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
22	Petition for the addition of a Speed Camera in Walderslade Rd	20 June 2016	residential area. It is difficult to understand the attitude of those road users that put themselves and others at risk by driving dangerously or in excess of the speed limit. The section of Walderslade Road in question has been part of a designated mobile	At a meeting of the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 25 October, it was noted that officers will liaise with Kent Police regarding the possibility of increasing the frequency of siting mobile cameras at this location and

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			Road safety improvements must always relate to casualty reduction, and locations with an ongoing poor road casualty history are tackled first. Other locations within Medway record poorer safety records, and are therefore a higher priority for safety engineering intervention. Unfortunately it is not possible for physical speed restriction measures to be introduced at this time although monitoring will continue. The existing speed camera signing at Walderslade Road will be reviewed.	
21	Petition to have the Perimeter Trees at Chatham Grammar School for Girls cut back	31 May 2016	The trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order in recognition of their high amenity value. TPOs protect trees and woodland that make a significant positive impact on their local environment and their enjoyment by the public. The Council's Senior Tree Officer has met with representatives of the school to discuss the petitioner's concerns and the management of the trees. The school is directly responsible for the upkeep of these trees and has not applied to undertake any works.	
20	Petition to take action regarding the car park at Andrew Manor	25 May 2016	This petition raised substantially the same issue as petition MC/03/2016. It was rejected and passed on	No review requested

Petition tracker number	Subject of	Date received	Medway Council's response to the housing department as	Outcome of review (if requested)
19	Petition to urge Medway Council to reinstate MAGIC playscheme provision to Children 11+	25 May 2016	further correspondence. Following discussions between the Council and MAGIC, proposals for a range of sport and holiday based activities is under consideration. With regard to play schemes for children aged 11 and over that are not directly funded by the Council, the Council is willing to meet with the petitioners to discuss the issues and seek a way forward.	
18	Petition opposing MC/16/1896 placement of a telephone mast on the corner of Eden Road and The Street	23 May 2016	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
17	11/11 /16/1567	23 May 2016	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
16	Petition against the Anti Social Behaviour around Derwent Way, Rainham and request to make the areas Crabtree Close, Oldfield Close and Derwent Way Rainham a permit Parking Zone	19 May 2016	The Medway Police Partnership Inspector has tasked one of his Sergeants to meet with the Howard School, so that they can gain a better understanding of the anxieties of local residents and seek to manage these issues. A meeting will also be arranged through the Community Safety Partnership office between the lead petitioner and the relevant Portfolio Holder, Cllr Mackness. The request for permit parking zones has been referred to the	No review requested

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15	Remove parking restrictions on Doust Way Rochester	6 May 2016	These restrictions were implemented following requests from residents and were installed in December 2015. Their removal would result in the same problems being experienced with the parking of vehicles along the road. Following a site meeting with Ward Councillors, it was agreed to	No review requested
14	Increase the level of parking provision in Perry Street, Chatham	28 April 2016	Ever increasing car ownership levels create the majority of issues, with existing roads under pressure from the amount of cars now using the road network in Medway. When previous requests have been investigated, the cost of providing additional parking has proved too high. There is considerable pressure on the Council's budgets and initial observations would indicate the costs of such a scheme would be prohibitive in the current financial climate and would not therefore be progressed.	No review requested
13	Against cuts to Sure Start	28 April 2016	The Council's Cabinet has decided that all of Medway's 19 Sure Start children's	No review requested

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	Children's Centre		controp will remain open	(in requested)
	Services		centres will remain open, providing services for	
1	Oel VICES		families with babies and	
			young children. We are not	
			changing or reducing the	
			offer of free nursery	
			education for all three and	
			four year olds, and for many	
			two year-olds; we are	
			maintaining the funding	
			provided to the 100 pre-	
			schools and nurseries in	
			Medway that provide the free	
			nursery education places;	
			and we want to keep our	
			very successful Sure Start children's centres that are	
			used by thousands of local	
			families, and receive tens of	
			thousands of visits every	
			month. To make the	
			necessary financial savings	
			to keep all of the children's	
			centres open, we are	
			reorganising and reducing	
			staff from across the	
			Council's early years	
			services – so that every part	
			of our available resource	
			focuses on frontline support for families. Our new service	
			will focus on · Safeguarding	
			and early help - to protect	
			children and prevent	
			escalation into social care; ·	
			school readiness – the good	
			foundation for children's	
			learning; and · alignment	
			with child health services –	
			providing support for all	
			parents and prospective	
			parents. We are formally	
			consulting with affected staff, and trades unions, which is	
			the approach agreed with our	
			workforce and their	
			representatives. Midwives,	
			health visitors and other	
			public health professionals	
			will continue to work in the	
			Council's 19 children's	

Petition tracker number	Subject of	Date received	Medway Council's response centres, alongside teachers and family support workers to provide the local one-stop experience that is at the heart of Sure Start. Parents, carers, and professional	Outcome of review (if requested)
			partners will continue to help shape the future Sure Start services, through Advisory Boards that link to each children's centre.	
12	Objection to Planning application for Redvers Rd and Glencoe Road	27 April 2016	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
11	Improve disabled toilet facilities in Medway	21 April 2016	Currently there are four fully accessible toilet facilities in the Borough which include changing benches and hoists suitable for both adults and younger people. These are located at: Medway Park, Gillingham Rochester Adult Education Centre, Eastgate, Rochester Splashes Leisure Centre, Cozenton Park, Rainham Strood Leisure Centre, Strood 1 and 2 are identified locations on the "Changing Places" website (http://www.changing- places.org/) and 3 and 4 will be added as quickly as possible. The Council would also like to assist in developing additional facilities – the highest priority being Chatham town centre. Discussions have taken place with the owners of the Pentagon Shopping Centre about including a facility within any future re- modelling proposals for the Centre. The Council's facilities management partner, Medway Norse, is being approached to see if	No review requested

Petition tracker number	Subject of		Medway Council's response improvements can be made to any public conveniences, including those at Riverside and Capstone Country Parks. In the meantime this issue will be included within the development of local planning policies in order to seek improved facilities in future development proposals as appropriate. It is hoped that in time these measures will lead to an improvement in the current provision.	Outcome of review (if requested)
10		20 April 2016	The Kent and Medway Safety Camera Partnership take all concerns for safety are seriously and the Council acts to improve and promote road safety wherever possible. The speed camera at Frindsbury Hill is due for replacement as part of an	No review requested
09	Petition opposing planning application MC/16/1257 - Variation of planning conditions Delce Road, Car Wash	2 Apr 2016	This petition relates to a	Not applicable
08	Address housing complaints by residents of Plewis House, St Albans Close, Gillingham	15 Mar 2016	Emptying of the rubbish bin and the use of larger bags has been raised with Norse, who is responsible for delivering the Council's estate service. A sign will be put up to remind residents of their responsibilities when	

Petition tracker number	Subject of	Date received	Medway Council's response using the washing machine/dryers, including not overloading the machines and keeping the area clean and tidy. The laundry room has recently been deep cleaned. Issues with the machines are passed to the Council's contractor, Appliance Services. A repair to the dryer door was carried out in February 2016 and a further inspection would be undertaken. The missing magnets on the door on level 3 had been replaced. Future repairs can be reported to the Council's contractor,	Outcome of review (if requested)
07	Rebuild the pathways through Medway City Estate to include cycle lanes	29 Feb 2016	Mears. Following a recent successful bid for funding for regeneration schemes, a local growth fund project to improve pedestrian, cyclist and traffic links through Medway City Estate is in the early stages of development. Cycle links are a high priority and improvements would be implemented by 2018.	No review requested
06	Remove double yellow lines between 37-41 and 79-85 Roosevelt Ave, Chatham and replace with a single yellow line	22 Feb 2016	2013 after public consultation and meetings with ward Members and residents,. Consultation results at the time indicated 76% support for the scheme. Highways officers confirm that the double yellow lines are strategically placed to allow	At a meeting of the Regeneration, Community and Culture Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 29 March, it was agreed that a Parking Engineer would liaise with local residents to try and find a positive solution.

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			support for the scheme, the request for removal of the double yellow lines would not be progressed.	
05	Petition to improve road safety on Capstone Road	19 Feb 2016	Following a review of the speed limit of Capstone Road, a project proposal to lower the speed limit to 30mph and 40mph respectively for the northern and southern sections of Capstone Road will be put forward for consideration for funding during the 2016/17 financial year.	No review requested
04	4559, Housing	8 Feb 2016	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
115	0 0	26 Jan 2016	Options are being explored as to how best to prevent non-residents using the car park. In addition, the Council is looking to improve the estate by installing knee high fencing and carry out works to the entrance ramps and railings before April 2016. Cyclical decorations would also take place during the 2016-17 financial year. The Council has a zero-tolerance approach to anti-social behaviour and any resident experiencing such behaviour should report it to Kent Police if it is criminal in nature, and also to Housing Officers. The local Community Safety Partnership will target the area with patrols. The Council's Estate Service is	No review requested

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			managed by Norse who should be contacted with any concerns about the standard of cleaning.	
02	Two Petitions to improve road safety on Capstone Road	21 Jan 2016	The Director's initial response advised the petition organisers that the Council is currently undertaking a speed limit review of the road which will take into account the local environmental characteristics, user type and safety history, along with current national guidance. The Director subsequently advised that a project proposal to lower the speed limit to 30mph and 40mph respectively for the northern and southern sections of Capstone Road will be put forward for consideration for funding during the 2016/17 financial year.	
01	Petition to reverse the cuts in Instructors and Classes at Strood Sports Centre	5 Jan 2016	This petition was responded to as an enquiry as there were no valid email addresses on the petition as required by the petitions scheme.	

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39	Sunday. Costing £28	21 December 2017	This petition and all other comments received during the public consultation period will be taken into account in the consultation response report.	No review requested
38	Objection to planning application 17/3944 - Frindsbury Car wash	December	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
37	Objection to any development of the land behind existing housing in Crestway	11 December 2017	This petition relates to a possible future planning application and will be dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
36	of All Saints Nursery,	21 November 2017	An alternative arrangement has been found to keep All Saints Nursery open between January and July 2018 for all the children who currently attend. There were also discussions to find a permanent solution to keep the nursery open after the summer break in 2018. Parents would be updated as soon as there is confirmation on future permanent arrangements.	At the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 5 December 2017, the Committee noted that the nursery will remain open until July 2018 and that a permanent solution was being sought to keep the nursery open after the summer break in 2018
35		21 November 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
33		24 October 2017	The pay and display facility will ensure the safe and orderly use of the car park	At the Regeneration Culture and Environment

	The Strand, Gillingham		parking that could cause obstruction. It will also free up space throughout the day. The car park has been misused by local businesses and students taking advantage of free	Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 7 December 2017, the Committee agreed that a report be submitted to the 23 January 2018 meeting of this Committee setting out the outcome of the Portfolio Holder's review of car parking charges at The Strand Leisure Park.
32	Petition for Medway Council to reverse the decision to close Kingfisher Sure Start	12 October 2017	A new model of integrated Early Help service will be delivered through four Children and Family Hubs, nine Children and Family Wellbeing Centres, and local community outreach points. The catchment areas of a number of these centres will cover the residential areas currently served by Kingfisher. It is hoped that some community and health services may be able to take place at schools such as Kingfisher where a Hub or Wellbeing Centre will not to be located.	No review requested
31	Petition for Medway Council to introduce a Controlled Parking Zone (permit parking) in Knight Avenue, Gillingham		existing Controlled Zone	No review requested
30		12 September 2017	Resident controlled parking zones are implemented at the request of residents in areas where parking is at a premium, such as rail stations, universities, health centres, hospitals etc. Full consultation is carried out and the majority view taken into account. A resident	

			permit for a specific vehicle may be purchased and visitor permits that can be transferred between cars are available.	
28	Petition for Medway Council to open a Community Café at Rochester Community Hub	15 August 2017	This petition was responded to as an enquiry as there were no valid addresses on the petition as required by the petitions scheme.	Not applicable
27		1 August 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
26		26 July 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
25			The requested works were agreed.	Not applicable
24		20 July 2017	It is not proposed to close 19 Children's Centres but to deliver Early Help services from four hubs and some satellite sites. There was an excellent response to a consultation and the feedback would inform the business case presented to Cabinet.	At the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 1 August 2017, the Committee noted that outcome of the consultation and agreed that the key points made during the discussion be referred to Cabinet for consideration.

23	Road Safety, Rectory Grange, Canon Close and Maidstone Road	5 July 2017	The Council will revisit walking bus routes with St William of Perth RC Primary School but is unable to progress the parking restriction request on this occasion.	At the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 17 August 2017, the Committee noted that there will be increased enforcement activity around the school and that a site visit with Ward Councillors would be held to assess what further action that can be taken. The issue of a Walking Bus for the local school would be referred to the Road Safety Team.
22		21 June 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
21		27 April 2017	Parking fees have been frozen for the past five years and will now be brought in line with those of neighbouring authorities while remaining competitively priced. This will enable the continued provision of high-quality parking facilities across Medway.	No review requested
20		27 April 2017	As bus services are operated commercially, bus operators decide on the level of provision based on demand and commercial viability. The Council's Mobility service serves Chatham, Hempstead Valley and Medway Maritime Hospital and is designed for people who are elderly or have a disability.	No review requested

19	Veterans to be added to the Medway Passport to Leisure	15 June 2017	This discount card makes sport and leisure more accessible to a wider group of people living in Medway. In addition, the Medway City Card is available to the over 60s whilst serving members of the Armed Forces qualify for Corporate Premier Membership which includes the use of a range of sporting facilities.	No review requested
18	Petition requesting Council oppose the Sustainability and Transformation Plan	19 June 2017	The STP is an exciting opportunity to integrate primary, community, mental health and social care and re-orientate some elements of traditional acute hospital care into the community. This will ensure joined-up care that considers the individual as a whole and provides connections across the system that will reduce pressure on NHS services whilst maintaining quality of care.	No review requested
17	Petition objecting to planning application 17/0207 - Hunters Way	27 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
16	Petition objecting to planning application 17/0207 - Hunters Way	27 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
15	Petition objecting to planning application 17/0207 - Hunters Way	27 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
14	Petition objecting to planning application	27 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is	Not applicable

	17/0410 - Rockery Lodge		being dealt with under planning legislation.	
13	•	20 February 2017	A new lighting scheme was installed in Holmside in 2007. Some columns were removed and repositioned to ensure a good spread of lighting throughout the road. The street lighting in Holmside is considered to be to a high standard and there are currently no plans to improve the lighting further.	No review requested
12	Petition in objection to the planning application ref MC/17/0065 37 Brendon Avenue, Walderslade, Chatham Kent	8 February 2017	This petition relates to a planning application and is being dealt with under planning legislation.	Not applicable
11	We the undersigned petition the council to provide shelter and food for homeless people	2 February 2017	statutory and voluntary services in place to provide shelter and food to homeless households. The Council provides advice, guidance and signposting and has incentives for landlords to secure single rooms. It directly commissions 93 rooms and flats for homeless people through the Housing Related Support budget and Housing Benefit funds approximately 340 units for vulnerable people. There are several groups/forums that meet to attempt to address issues associated with rough sleeping. A Severe Weather Emergency Protocol (SWEP) safeguards rough sleepers during periods of	At the Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 13 April 2017, the Committee referred the petition to Cabinet for consideration, together with the comments made by the Committee. At Cabinet on 9 May 2017, the report and the comments from the Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee were noted. Cabinet recognised the scale of the ongoing work being done by the Council to co-ordinate and improve the overall quality of the service provided by all agencies, public and

				voluntary, to the street homeless.
10	Object to the proposed implementation of a controlled parking zone in Kitchener Road, Strood	26 January 2017	Officers from Integrated Transport Service will meet with Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Holder in due course to discuss the issues raised. The petition organiser would then be contacted.	
9	To consider and review possible arrangements for residential parking in and around Southwell Road, Strood	26 January 2017	subject to legal process and public consultation. Residents parking schemes are considered when there are major attractor locations such as railway stations, hospitals or University halls of residence. In the current financial climate, and as this location does not have any of the above mentioned attractors in the area, the Council are unfortunately	Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 28 March 2017, the committee noted the Director's comments in the report and endorsed the proposal outlined at the meeting that a Parking
8	To improve the road safety in the Pattens Lane / Wilson Avenue area	26 January 2017	The Council introduces road safety measures on the basis of casualty reduction and locations with a poor road casualty history are tackled first. Three slight injury collisions, none involving pedestrians, were recorded in the area in	No Review Requested

	Grove and Plumtree Grove Hempstead		between the parties on the extent of double yellow lines at the junction	
4	Objection to parking restrictions that are planned within the vicinity of Weston Road and Bryant Road Strood	5 January 2017	Officers from Integrated Transport will meet with Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Holder to discuss the issues raised by residents. The petitioner organiser would then be contacted.	
3	Objection to Controlled Parking Zone in Strood North	4 January 2017	Officers from Integrated Transport would meet with Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Folder to discuss the issues raised by residents. The petitioner organiser would then be contacted.	
2	Objection to Controlled Parking Zone outside Prospect Hair Design and Bill St Barbers in Strood North	,	Officers from Integrated Transport would meet with Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Folder to discuss the issues raised by residents. The petitioner organiser would then be contacted.	
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