

Petitions Committee

PET(3)-09-09 Paper 1: 9 June 2009

New Petitions

This paper provides brief background information on each of the petitions to be given initial consideration by the Committee on 9 June 2009.

(i) P-03-209 Abolish top up fees in Wales

Petition wording

Cymru X calls upon the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Assembly Government to abolish tuition fees for Welsh domiciled students studying at Welsh higher education institutions.

Background

This petition was raised by Cymru X -Young Plaid Ifanc and it collected 30 signatures. The lead petitioner has provided a supporting statement outlining the background to the petition, and this is attached as PET(3)-09-09 Paper 1A.

(ii) P-03-217 National Library of Wales - Saturday opening

Petition wording

We call upon the National Assembly for Wales to ensure that sufficient funds are provided to the National Library of Wales, to enable the NLW to reverse its decision to close on Saturdays from the 1st of April 2009. The only day of the week which the working, enthusiastic, amateur researcher can visit the library.

Background

The petition was raised by Nicholas Davey and it collected 93 signatures.

(iii) P-03-221 Improved NHS Chiropody Treatment

Petition wording

We the Cynon Valley 50 plus Older People's Forum wish to present a petition for improved Chiropody Service (footcare) to be available on the NHS especially for Older People who are housebound in the RCT area

Background

The petition was raised by Siân Jones and it collected 49 signatures. The lead petitioner has provided a supporting statement outlining the background to the petition, and this is attached as PET(3)-09-09 Paper 1B.

(iv) P-03-224 Against the closure of Stepping Stones Nursery

Petition wording

We the undersigned call on the National Assembly for Wales to intervene to halt the closure of the Stepping Stones Nursery on the Ebbw Vale campus of Coleg Gwent.

Background

This petition was raised by Brian Walters and it collected 20 signatures. In addition, the petitioner collected over 1000 signatures for an associated petition. The lead petitioner has provided a supporting statement outlining the background to the petition, and this is attached as PET(3)-09-09 Paper 1C.

(v) P-03-227 Against the proposed Metrix access road in Llanmaes

Petition wording

We the residents of Llanmaes, Milllands Park, and the surrounding rural areas object to:

The proposed new northern access road for the proposed Defence Technical College

The proposed new Tremains Farm housing estate

Objections to the above are for the following reasons:

it involves the destruction of green field site when brown field sites are available

it will create considerable noise, light and dust pollution

it will incur substantial ecological damage.

Background

This petition was raised by Llanmaes Community Council and it collected 416 signatures. The lead petitioner has provided a supporting statement outlining the background to the petition, and this is attached as PET(3)-09-09 Paper 1D.

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