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Report Number **A/22/35**

To: Council

Date: 29 March 2023

Status: Non - executive decision
Responsible Officer: Susan Priest, Chief Executive

SUBJECT: PETITION – ABANDON DEVELOPMENT AT PRINCES

PARADE AND RE-WILD THE SITE

SUMMARY: A petition asking for the development at Princes Parade to be abandoned and the site re-wilded has been received and has a total of 361 signatures. As per the petitions scheme, set out in part 4 of the constitution, petitions which receive more than 250 signatures can be presented to a meeting of Full Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. To receive and note report A/22/35.
- 2. To consider the options set out in paragraph 2.1 of the report.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 A paper petition was submitted by Chris Farrell on 14 March 2023. The petition received 361 signatures.
- 1.2 The subject of the Petition is:

"We, the undersigned, request that the development at Princes Parade is abandoned and the site re-wilded".

1.3 The petition was submitted by a resident of the district and is valid.

2. POSSIBLE RESPONSES TO THE PETITION

- 2.1 As per the Petitions Scheme, set out in part of 4 of the constitution, members should consider the petition and make one of the following decisions shown below:
 - a) Note the petition and take no further action;
 - b) Refer the petition to the Cabinet or the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, as the case may be, for their observations before deciding whether to examine the issues raised by the petition;
 - c) Agree to examine the issues raised by the petition, by debate, at the meeting or a future meeting;
 - d) Agree to examine the issues raised by the petition, as part of a future scrutiny programme.

3. LEGAL/FINANCIAL AND OTHER CONTROLS/POLICY MATTERS

3.1 Legal Officer's Comments (AK)

Any legal issues are covered in the main body of the report.

3.2 Finance Officer's Comments (CS)

There are no financial implications to this report.

3.3 Diversities and Equalities Implications (GE)

There are no equality or diversity issues arising as a result of the report.

3. CONTACT OFFICERS AND BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Councillors with any questions arising out of this report should contact the following officer prior to the meeting.

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The following background documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report: None.