

Extraordinary Full Council

27 June 2017

Agenda item 6 a



Report of: Shahzia Daya, Service Director – Legal & Democratic Services

Title: Petition debate – “Save Jubilee Pool”

Ward: Knowle

Recommendation

That Full Council debates the petition and refers it to the Mayor / relevant Cabinet member for a formal response.

Summary

Under the Council’s petitions scheme, where a petition has 3,500 or more signatures from people who live, work or study in Bristol, the petition organiser can request a Full Council debate.

The Council has received a petition entitled “Save Jubilee Pool.”

The petition organiser has requested that Full Council debates the petition.



Details of the petition

1. The wording of the petition is as follows:

Petition title / subject: "Save Jubilee Pool"

Petition wording:

"We the residents of Knowle, neighbouring areas and supporters and users of Jubilee Pool wish to send a message to Bristol City Council to demand that they ensure the continuation of this valuable public facility.

Jubilee Pool is particularly valuable because of its small scale and the fact that so many of its users get there by walking and other means of sustainable transport. The investment in the mini Gym some years ago not only widened the user group but also made it far more sustainable financially.

It is regrettable that the Council budget cut was announced without any discussion with interested parties including the management and we demand that appropriate actions take place in advance of the September cut-off date to ensure a continued service."

2. The petition organiser is Councillor Gary Hopkins.
3. The petition secured 6,108 signatures.
4. The Full Council is asked to debate the petition.
5. Under the petition scheme, the petition organiser is permitted up to 5 minutes to present and speak to the petition. The petition scheme allows a further period of up to 15 minutes for discussion of the petition by councillors at the Full Council meeting.
6. The Full Council has agreed the following in relation to dealing with petitions with over 3500 signatures:
The topic of the debate should be referred to the Mayor/Cabinet, or other relevant body with the petitioner views and Full Council's views.

RECOMMENDATION

The Full Council is recommended to refer the petition to the Mayor, together with the comments as expressed by members in the debate at this meeting, in order that the Mayor can consider his response, in liaison with the relevant Cabinet member(s).