

Item 4

The Council received a petition on 31st January 2011 regarding Penge East parking permit scheme. The petition was headed as follows:

Petition against parking permit scheme in the Penge East area roads includes: Station Road, Mosslea Road, Kingswood Road, Lucas Road, St John's Road, Queen Adelaide Road, Montrave Road, Crampton Road, High Street, Bredhurst Close.

We would like to present this petition to the next Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee Meeting on Tuesday 1st March 2010. We understand that the results of the public consultation will be presented at this meeting.

In line with the Council's Petition Scheme, Councillor Colin Smith, the Executive Member for Environment, responded to the petitioners on 13th February 2011 (see below).

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Sent: 13 February 2011 12:28 PM

To: Elena Tincu; Sian Thomas

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Subject: Petition against the adoption of a Permit Parking scheme in the Penge East Area

Dear Ms Tincu & Ms Thomas

I send this email to formally confirm receipt of your petition dated 30th January expressing opposition to the possible introduction of the scheme outlined above.

Also to confirm that a copy of same will be available in its entirety for all relevant Committee Members to consider at a forthcoming Environmental Services, Policy Development & Scrutiny Committee meeting where a decision will be taken as to whether such measures should be progressed locally, or the process discontinued.

The meeting will be held in public, and I know that either one of your Ward Councillors will advise you nearer the time when that meeting is going to be to ensure that should you wish to, you will be able to attend in person(s).

On a point of process, when the decision as to how best and whether to proceed is being considered, great weight will be placed on the consultation returns received from individual households throughout the area in response to the recent survey.

With this in mind, you may wish to remind anyone who shares your opinion on such matters and has signed your petition that they should respond in person to the Council to ensure that their preferences have been duly counted and included within the official numbers.

I mention this because it has been known for people to be listed as being for or against something on a petition, but record a different opinion in private correspondence to the Council.

Given the considerable efforts that you have gone to in collecting these names, I felt it appropriate that you should be aware of this.

Kind regards

Cllr Colin P Smith
Portfolio Holder for Environment
London Borough of Bromley