

## Petitions Update Report

| Petition No. | Description   | Presented (date) | Presented (by) | Status  |
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| 518          | To ask Uber to move their geo-fencing back to London Boroughs | 28 November 2018 | Mr Colley      | <p>Officers have sought extensive legal advice in regards to the operation of Uber in Thurrock as to whether the operation can be challenged as being unlawful and a breach of Section 46(1)(d) of the LGMPA 1976, both before and after the recent decision in the Reading appeal.</p> <p>As part of that, an advice was sought from the Council's Legal Team, who's view is <i>"The Council's Legal Team has now fully considered whether Uber's activities in Thurrock are unlawful and are a breach of Section 46(1)(d) of the LGMPA 1976. It is their opinion there is no unlawfulness in the current operation of Uber in Thurrock. Therefore, there is no basis on which to bring a prosecution against Uber. We will now write to Uber to follow up on our previous discussions with them, asking them to withdraw from Thurrock, or make an appropriate operator's licence application with Thurrock."</i></p> <p>These confirm the position that Uber are not acting unlawfully. As such the council has no basis on which to bring a prosecution against Uber. The council will now write to Uber to follow up on previous discussions with them asking them to voluntarily withdraw from Thurrock or to agree to make an appropriate operator's licence application to the council.</p> |
| 519          | Air Quality and Pollution Review in Tilbury                   | 30 January 2019  | Mr Mayes       | Officers routinely review the areas of Air Quality which fall within the jurisdiction of the Council as set out in the "Update on Air Quality and Health" report to Cleaner, Greener and Safer Overview and   |

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|     |   |                 |              | <p>Scrutiny Committee on 7 February 2019.</p> <p>In relation to the dust issues experienced in Tilbury the Environment Agency (EA) and London Port Health Authority (LPHA) are the relevant enforcement agencies for the company presumed to be the source. Further mitigating measurers have been introduced.</p> <p>The Council has established a Steering Group to work alongside the EA and the LPHA – the next meeting is 5 July 2019. The community is being kept informed via the Tilbury Community Forum.</p> |
| 520 | Name change from Purfleet to Purfleet-on-Thames | 30 January 2019 | Mr Batchelor | <p>The Council has begun the consultation process required ahead of a formal decision on the proposal to change the name of Purfleet to Purfleet-on-Thames.</p> <p>The draft report on the proposed name change of Purfleet to Purfleet on Thames has been finalised together with a proposed consultation and communication plan and will be brought to the next available General Service Committee for approval and implementation.</p>  |