

E-Petition – Security at Old Dean Recreation Ground Briefing Note

1. An e-petition has been received which asks the Council to Invest in Effective Security at Old Dean Recreation Ground.
2. The petition asks the Council to “invest in better lighting that is able to resist vandalism and invest in CCTV to protect the playground area at Old Dean Recreation Ground so that the asset remains fully usable by the community.”
3. All petitions received must be dealt with in accordance with the Petition Scheme at Part 4 of the Constitution. The scheme provides that any petition which receives over 500 signatures will be considered by the Executive. Under the terms of the scheme a petitioner is entitled to present their petition at the relevant meeting of the Executive and speak for up to 5 minutes.
4. The e-petition opened for signatures on 9 July 2020 and closed on 9 October 2020. It has received 520 signatures. Signatories to the petition are required to provide their address when they sign the petition. The e-petition contains 472 signatures from members of the public who have provided an address within the borough. The number of signatures received by ward is as follows:

Ward	No. of Signatures
Bagshot	3
Bisley & West End	3
Frimley	3
Frimley Green	6
Heatherside	1
Lightwater	1
Mytchett & Deepcut	4
Old Dean	396
Parkside	7
St Michaels	11
St Pauls	2
Town	26
Watchetts	5
Windlesham & Chobham	4

5. Of the remaining signatories, 15 were from those who have given an address within Surrey and the remainder were from outside the county.
6. The petition organiser will be given five minutes to present the petition at the meeting and the petition will then be debated. The Executive will decide how to respond to the petition at this meeting. It may decide to
 - take the action the petition requests,
 - not to take the action requested for reasons put forward in the debate, or
 - commission further investigation into the matter, for example by a relevant scrutiny committee.
7. The petition organiser will receive written confirmation of this decision and confirmation will be published on the Council's website.