

LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

PETITIONS COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, 9 JUNE 2016

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	Item Title	Committee Decision	Services Required to take action	Officer to Action
1	<p><u>Impact of the AWPR on the Deeside Way in Milltimber</u></p> <p>We the undersigned petition the council to enter into urgent discussions with Transport Scotland, Aberdeen Roads Ltd and other relevant parties to ensure the Deeside Way is not permanently re-routed in Milltimber and we propose that the Deeside Way should retain its original route, using a dedicated, non-vehicular bridge over the new Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route (AWPR).</p> <p>Justification:</p> <p>The Deeside Way runs from the centre of Aberdeen to Ballater, and is widely enjoyed by residents, visitors, walkers, cyclists and horse-riders. It is also used frequently for charity events. It follows the line of the Old Royal Deeside Railway and is now part of the official National Cycle Network. However, the pathway</p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To note the concerns of the local residents and users of the Deeside Way, which has resulted in this position; 2) to note the petition has over 1600 signatures; 3) to request that the Convener of the Petitions Committee write to the Transport and Islands Minister, Humza Yousaf, MSP, providing him with a copy of the petition seeking financial support from Scottish Government or Transport Scotland to provide pedestrian footbridge to enable the Deeside Way to continue along its existing path without diversion; and 4) to invite Humza Yousaf, MSP, to Aberdeen to meet with the relevant parties to discuss the issue. 	<p>Communities, Housing and Infrastructure</p>	<p>Pete Leonard / Mike Cheyne</p>

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	<p>represents much more than connectivity; it is also part of our history and listed as a Heritage Pathway of Scotland.</p> <p>We highlight the statement made by the Reporters following the AWPR Inquiry ('Report to the Scottish Ministers', published 2009), that the proposed diversion at the Deeside Way Right of Way would be less than ideal (Chapter 10.180). Hence, this petition supports the construction of a dedicated non-vehicular bridge over the AWPR, rather than using a diversion via Station Road. This would maintain high levels of safety for all users of the Deeside Way, and preserve the integrity of this Heritage Pathway.</p>			
2	<u>Minute of Previous Meeting of 20 April 2016</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> Minute approved.	Democratic Services	Lynsey McBain

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