

Petition: Officers' Response

Title: Demand the 2008 Walking and Cycling Policy is applied to all WCC projects at the planning stages

Primary Petitioner: Maria van der Meel (representing The City Is Ours)
Total Signatures: 73 (via ePetition)

Presented by: Maria van der Meel
Contact officer: Paul Barker
Director responsible: Stavros Michael

Officers' recommendation:

Officers recommend that the Committee:

1. *Receive the petition*
2. *Note that officers do apply the policies in question when either undertaking its own projects or accessing others that affect public space.*

Background:

The ePetition "Demand the 2008 Walking and Cycling Policy is applied to all WCC projects at the planning stages" was initiated by Maria van der Meel (representing The City Is Ours on 4 February 2011 and closed on 4 September 2011.

The purpose of the petition is to demand that the 2008 Walking and Cycling Policy is applied to all WCC projects at the planning stages. During proceedings in the Environment Court: The City is Ours Inc. versus WCC it was revealed the WCC 2008 Walking and Cycling Policy both were not applied to the planning stages of the Golden Mile Plan despite their DM (demand management) status..

The petition was open to all members of the public with internet access to the Council's website. It received 73 signatures.

Officers' response:

Officers believe that consideration is currently given to all of Councils policies during all stages of developing our own projects and in assessing those projects that affect the public space.

Many of our polices overlap and sometimes they come into conflict with each other, at these times a conscious decision may be made to trade one off against the other.