

**COUNCIL MEETING – DEPUTATION/PETITION REQUEST FORM**

NAME OF DEPUTATION/PETITION LEADER: Ben Pearson	
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Name and contact details of other proposed attendees (maximum of 6 plus deputation leader): Rachel Mawby:	
<b>Does any member of the deputation have access requirements? If so, please tell us what they are: NO</b>	
<b>Have you submitted a deputation request to the Council before? If so, please give details: NO</b>	

**Please summarise below the key points you wish to make at the Council meeting (continue on a separate sheet if necessary):**

We wish to bring a deputation to the meeting of the Culture and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 14/12/2023 regarding anti motorcycle bias within Camden Council.

Camden Council has shown an anti-motorcycle bias in its approach to and understanding of PTWs. This is resulting in irrational anti PTW policies across different policy areas. This is having a meaningful impact on PTW riders in the borough and on the environment in Camden.

**Examples of anti-motorcycle bias include:**

- Removal of motorcycle bays on Flaxman Terrace - based on no evidence and clear prejudice against PTW riders
- Not allowing PTWs in bus lanes based on false perceptions and in contrary to the clear evidence
- No meaningful action taken to improve PTW safety - PTW safety deprioritised in preference to more 'desirable' modes
- Not recognising e-PTWs as a sustainable mode, despite encouraging other forms of electric powered two wheelers (for example through the E-scooter trial)
- Not recognising the impact of PTWs, as a vehicle that is distinct from cars, in the transport strategy and all associated policies

**Examples of the impact of this bias include:**

- Increased risk to individual PTW riders due to lack of action on safety/lack of access to bus lanes
- Disproportionate policies applied to PTW riders which are not in line with PTW impact
- Removal of necessary amenities such as parking
- Impact to the environment of Camden by missing out on the use of an emerging technology that would help to reduce congestion and emissions

While progress has been made in some areas, Camden still has a lack of understanding of the impact of PTWs and their usage. This is leading to incorrect and damaging policy decisions.

As the most vulnerable road user in Camden and London and a key part of the urban transport mix it is vital that this is addressed, both for the safety of individual riders, and the environment and life of Camden.

**Camden should undertake a complete review of its policies with regards to PTWs, taking account the evidence on PTWs and their impact. This includes reviewing the relevant parts of the Transport Strategy.**

(see guidance notes overleaf)

**GUIDANCE FROM THE COUNCIL'S [CONSTITUTION](#) \***

**Deputations and petitions**

Anyone likely to be affected by a matter in which the authority has functions, or which affects that area of the authority, or some of it, or the inhabitants of that area, or some of them may ask that a deputation or a petition should be received by a meeting of the Council.

A deputation request should be made in writing to the Chief Executive (via the contact listed below) setting out the reason why the deputation should be received, by no later than 12noon, three working days before the meeting to which it relates.

The person making the deputation request shall indicate what the deputation is about, the number (no more than 7), names and addresses of the persons who will form the deputation, and the member of the deputation who will address the Council.

Requests to present petitions to Council will be considered in line with the Council's Petition Scheme (Part 5 of the Constitution).

The Mayor will decide whether the deputation or the petition is to be received or not, or whether the deputation or the petition should be heard by another body. In deciding whether or not to redirect a deputation or the petition to another body the Mayor will amongst other things consider whether the matter could benefit from an in-depth analysis which could not be provided at Council, whether it is of wide interest to the Borough and whether the deputation or the petition has already been aired recently at another Council body. A maximum of three deputations or petitions will be taken at each Council meeting with the Mayor deciding which to accept with an overall maximum time allocated to deputations and petitions of 30 minutes.

#### **At the meeting**

When called, the spokesperson or Petition Organiser may speak for three minutes. The Mayor will ensure that the remarks are relevant and that the speaker refrains from personal attacks.

Members may then ask questions of the deputation. Six minutes per deputation or petition is allowed for this, to include responses from the depute(e)s/petitioner(s).

After the deputation or petition has been heard the appropriate Cabinet Member or committee chair may respond in a speech no longer than three minutes.

No deputation or petition may appear before the Council again within the next three months on the same or a similar subject.

#### **Data Protection - What will we do with the information that you have provided to us?**

The Council has a legal duty to allow public access to its formal meetings (except in limited circumstances where the press and public may be excluded) and we are processing the data that you have provided in order to deal with your request to make a submission to one of those meetings. We will only process the information provided to us for the purpose for which you have provided it.

Your name and address may appear in the papers of the council, committee or sub-committee meeting that you have requested a submission to. These papers are freely available on the Council's website and in hard copy from the Council's offices.

We will not transfer your personal data outside of the EU/EEA.

Full the full privacy notice, please visit <https://www.camden.gov.uk/deputations>

Please return this form by email to [vicky.wemyss-cooke@camden.gov.uk](mailto:vicky.wemyss-cooke@camden.gov.uk) / [donna.alexander-morrison@camden.gov.uk](mailto:donna.alexander-morrison@camden.gov.uk) or by post to:-

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\* Part 4 of Camden's Constitution, 'Procedure Rules and Standing Orders'