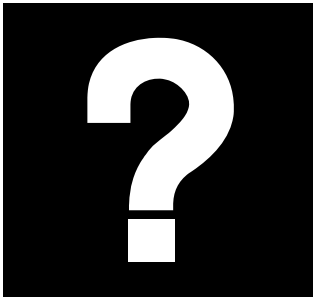


# Petitions...



Do you want to know how to submit a Petition?



A Petition can come in two forms, a Paper Petition or an e-Petition.

## E-Petitions:-

The Council's e-Petition facility can be found on the website [here](#). Generally, the same rules apply to a Paper Petition and an e-Petition except that e-Petitions are checked to make sure they are valid before they are open for signatures. We contact the person setting up the e Petition, known as the Petition Organiser. E-Petitions can be open for people to sign for weeks or months, it is up to you.

But in order to be accepted it must be signed by at least 50 people who live, work or study in the Council's area.





## **Paper Petition:-**

When a Paper Petition is received, the Council needs to do a few checks, then someone will contact the person who set up the Petition, the Petition Organiser. Like with an e-Petition, we have to check that a Petition is valid which means that it must have at least 50 signatures from people living, working or studying in the

Council's area plus the Council must be responsible for whatever the Petition is asking.



## **How will the Council reply to Petitions?**

If a Petition is accepted, within 20 days of the Petition being received, the Council will write to the Petition Organiser telling them what the

Council is going to do with it. The Council could:-

- Do what the Petition asks
- Discuss the Petition at a Full Council meeting
- Hold a public meeting
- Refer the Petition to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
- Something else



Petitions which have under 50 signatures will be considered as part of the Council's Complaints scheme.

To find details of the full Petition Scheme please click [here](#). The Scheme is on the left hand side of the page.

If you want to discuss the Petition Scheme please email the Head of Member Services at [ju.thorpe@preston.gov.uk](mailto:ju.thorpe@preston.gov.uk) or call Julie Thorpe on 01772 906112.