

COUNCIL MEETING – 28 SEPTEMBER 2023

PETITION DEBATE

Motion to debate the petition: Save Sobell Ice Rink

Motion to be moved by: Cllr Nurullah Turan
Executive Member for Health and Social Care

This Council notes that:

- A petition was received at the Council meeting on 13 July 2023 which had over 2,000 signatures.
- Procedure Rule 19.1 of the Council's Constitution provides that, where a petition has received at least 2,000 signatures, then a debate on the petition shall be held, for up to 15 minutes, at the following ordinary Council meeting. The Lead Petitioner will be invited to re-introduce the petition at the meeting. Councillors will then be invited to consider the petition and debate the points raised.

This Council resolves to:

- Continue to encourage residents to participate in local democracy by carefully considering the points raised in the petition and to undertake the debate in a spirit of openness and transparency.
- Note the petition.

The text of the petition is set out overleaf.

Petition received at the 13 July 2023 meeting of the Council

Save Sobell Ice Rink

<https://www.change.org/p/save-sobell-ice-rink>

“Sobell Ice rink has helped me with my mental and physical health as it has others too. It is a fantastic public rink with reasonable prices for people to get into skating in all its wonderful forms. Im an ice hockey player who took alot of pleasure from playing at Sobell ice rink.

This petition I now realise means a whole lot more than that. To many people it means losing their jobs, social communities and a place to use the ice for mental and physical wellbeing. Please sign to help us have some power in getting it rebuilt. Thank you.“

5,166 signatures received.