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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF AN INVALID PETITION FOR A REFERENDUM TO CHANGE THE COUNCIL'S GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS -

The Local Authorities (Referendums)(Petitions)(England) Regulations 2011

An E-petition asking for a referendum to change Folkestone and Hythe Council's Governance arrangements from an Executive model to a Committee system was received on 24 March 2021. The E-Petition was live on the council's website from 29 March until 30 June 2021, and received 333 signatories.

In accordance with Regulation 4(1) of The Local Authorities (Referendums)(Petitions)(England) Regulations 2011, the number that is equal to 5% of the number of local government electors shown in the revised register of electors having effect on the 15th February 2021 is 4245.

Therefore, the E-Petition is considered invalid under regulation 9(1)(a), Part 2 of The Local Authorities (Referendums)(Petitions)(England) Regulations 2011.

The petition is available for inspection by members of the public free of charge at the Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue Folkestone, Kent, CT20 2QY during office hours (by appointment while offices are closed), and can also be viewed online at <https://www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/moderngov/mgEPetitionDisplay.aspx?ID=35&RPID=24630919&HPID=24630919>

As per regulation 14(3) of the Local Authorities (Referendums)(Petitions)(England) Regulations 2011, the invalid petition may be amalgamated with any subsequent petitions which are submitted to the authority



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