Bath & North East Somerset Council		
MEETING	Council	
MEETING DATE:	23 rd July 2020	
TITLE:	E: Petition – Stop 5G in Bath & North East Somerset	
WARD:	All	
AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM		
List of attachments to this report: Petition full accompanying text		

1 THE ISSUE

An electronic and paper petition has been received entitled 'Stop 5G in Bath & North East Somerset' containing at least 1600 signatures; https://www.gopetition.com/petitions/stop-5g-in-bath-and-north-east-somerset.html. According to the Council's petition scheme, if a petition with signatures of more than 1% of the electorate is received, it triggers a debate at Council.

2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That Members consider the petition.

3 THE REPORT

3.1 The text of the petition reads as follows;

"We the undersigned are petitioning Bath & North East Somerset Council to invoke the precautionary principle and respect the human rights of citizens by halting the rollout of 5G in Bath & North East Somerset, until such time as a thorough, independent investigation can verify that this untested technology and its associated infrastructure will have no adverse effects on public health, wildlife and the environment. To this end, we petition the above Council to:

- 1. Refuse all planning applications for the erection of 5G masts and related infrastructure in Bath & North East Somerset
- 2. Prevent all felling of mature healthy trees without prior public consultation

- 3. Prevent the installation of 5G enabled antennas on street lights, lamp posts, bus stops and other street furniture
- 4. Uphold the rights of home-owners, schools, churches and other bodies to object to the installation of 5G infrastructure on, or close to, their properties
- 5. Work with independent scientists and doctors to investigate the health and environmental impacts of 5G technology."
- 3.2 The petitioner has also supplied the attached accompanying text.

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Background papers	
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