

**REPORT TO:** Petitions Committee

MEETING DATE: 12 June 2014

**BY:** Depute Chief Executive (Resources and People Services)

**SUBJECT:** Petition Submitted Deemed to be out with the Remit of the

Committee

#### 1 PURPOSE

1.1 To inform the Petitions Committee of the petition submitted which has been rejected on the grounds that it does not meet the criteria for consideration by the Committee.

#### 2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 The Petitions Committee notes that the petition outlined in Appendix 1 does not meet the criteria and will therefore not be considered by the Committee.

## 3 BACKGROUND

3.1 One petition has been received that does not meet the criteria and is therefore not competent. Details of this petition, including the grounds for its refusal, are outlined in Appendix 1.

## 4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None.

#### 5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 This report is not applicable to the well being of equalities groups and an Equalities Impact Assessment is not required.

## 6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Financial none.
- 6.2 Personnel none.
- 6.3 Other none.

# 7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 East Lothian Council Standing Orders Appendix 1: Scheme of Administration Petitions Committee.
- 7.2 Criteria for petitions to East Lothian Council.

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# EAST LOTHIAN COUNCIL PETITIONS COMMITTEE REJECTED PETITIONS

Petition Ref:	Subject of Petition	Date Received	Principal Petitioner	Number of Signatures	Grounds for Rejection
PET 1402	In respect of anti-social behaviour at Whittingehame House and the ineffectiveness of the Authorities in its control (2011 – present)	20/02/14	Edward Clutton	60	The Council has no statutory power to:  • immediately confiscate/destroy livestock;  • immediately impose an ASBO on an individual;  • evict an individual from a private tenancy; or  • impose a lifetime ban on keeping livestock.  It is also incumbent on the Council to reject petitions which relate to ongoing court cases.