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<b>Record of Decision:</b> W/LDR/005/21-22 Non Qualifying Petition - Denton Gardens			
<b>Decision taken by:</b> Leader			
<b>Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:</b> I hereby confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interest in this item.			
<p><b>Decision:</b> The Leader of the Council has determined the non-qualifying Petition and taken action in accordance with the Worthing Borough Council Petition Scheme.</p> <p>In the year prior to the centenary of Alderman Denton’s gift to our town, Worthing Council will work with the local community to protect and enhance Denton Gardens in a manner that retains the character of the gardens. Our parks and green spaces will be cherished and improved. Worthing Borough Council does not lease out green spaces for development on a “highest bidder” basis.</p>			
<b>Key Decision:</b> No			
<b>Reason For Decision:</b> Denton Gardens is a valuable amenity to residents and visitors in Worthing.			
<b>Alternative Options Considered:</b> To accept the petition as written or to reject it.			
<b>Other Matters Considered:</b>			
Legal Advice and Issues	x	Financial Advice and Issues	x
Sustainability Issues	x	Equality Issues	x
Community Safety Issues	x	Human Rights Issues	x
Reputation	x	Risk Assessment	x
Health & Safety Issues	x		

**Consultation:**

This report was circulated to Councillors, and published on the Council's website on 4 August 2021. The following consultation responses were noted by the decision maker: None of the Ward Councillors made representations to the decision maker on the content of this decision or in regard to any other matters relating to Denton Gardens.

Councillor Humphreys held a meeting with the lead petitioner and the new Friends of Denton Gardens group to discuss the petition and understand the aims of the petition.

**Background Papers:** Worthing Borough Council Constitution

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**Call-in:** The call-in deadline for this decision will be 5:00pm on 27 September 2021



Signed: ..... Date: 20 September 2021

Name: Councillor Daniel Humphreys, Leader of Worthing Council

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