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Dear Lindsey,

Petition to Save Tenpin Bowling in Bexhill

As you may be aware, our Petition Scheme requires me to write to you to inform you of the decision made by Council in respect of the above Petition.

The Petition was debated at the full Council meeting on Monday 17 December and your colleagues, Mrs Lesley Thomas, Bill Roarty, Chair of the Save Ten Pin Bowling Campaign, accompanied by the under 18 Junior National Doubles Champion addressed the Council for five minutes in support of the petition.

During the debate it was clear that there was a genuine unanimity amongst all Members towards the aspiration of a new bowling facility for Bexhill and for the Rother District as a whole; however, whilst not agreeing entirely with the motion proposed within the Petition, it was confirmed that the Council had previously agreed the following 3 recommendations at the full Council meeting held on 1 October 2012:

That officers:

- 1) identify a suitable piece of land on which a new ten pin bowling centre could be built with adequate space for parking;
- 2) consult with Lazerace Limited and other ten pin bowling providers as to its viability; and
- report back following the consultations with the ten pin bowling providers to the Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the outcome of their deliberations.

This work is on-going.

I hope that you are reassured that the Council is doing all that it can within its powers and responsibilities to assist with the future provision of 10 Pin Bowling in Bexhill and the Rother District in general.

Yours sincerely

Suzanne Collins Head of Corporate Services



