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1	5th Oct 2010	Verbal Harassment and Gang Nuisance	Reported harassment of residents on and around Yarm Road, Yarm Lane, Bowesfield Lane, Stockton, by prostitutes and reported drug problems in the area	Rid the area of the problems, make it a safer place for residents.	96	5th Oct 2010	Community Protection	Petition passed to Dem Services 14th Oct 2010. Head of Community Protection wrote to proposer w/e 15/10/2010. Meeting was also held on 13/10/2010 with officers and proposer present. Dem Serv Acknowledged receipt of petition 15/10/2010.	Following a couple of meetings and letters to all signatories increased focus on the area resulted in 11 cautions and 1 arrest and CCTV footage passed to police
2	25th Oct 2010	Gates to the Cowpen Woodland Centre Car Park be kept open until 7pm during the Winter Months	Gates to the Cowpen Woodland Centre Car Park be kept open until 7pm during the Winter Months	Gates to the Cowpen Woodland Centre Car Park be kept open until 7pm during the Winter Months	33	25th Oct 2010	Parks and Countryside DNS	Petition passed to Dem Services 25th Oct 2010. Letter to proposer explaining that not enough signatures received to be considered a petition however the proposers concerns have been given to the relevant Officer for consideration and a full response submitted within 7 days from 27th October 2010	No further correspondence received from Proposer
3	24th Nov 2010	Flood Lights to be erected at the football courts in the multi use games area adjacent to Romano Park Ingleby Barwick	Flood Lights to be erected at the football courts in the multi use games area adjacent to Romano Park Ingleby Barwick	Flood Lights to be erected at the football courts in the multi use games area adjacent to Romano Park Ingleby Barwick	80	24th Nov 2010	Parks and Countryside	Petition passed to Dem Services 24th November. Response not given until 4th January from Dem Services due to lack of contact details. Petition was rejected due to lack of contact details from signatories. Suggested re submission of petition with relevant detail or alternatively details of nature of petition to be passed to relevant Officer although would not be considered a petition	Proposer confirmed via Blackberry 6th Jan that Petition would be re submitted however no such petition has been received.
4	7th Jan 2011	Objection to the removal of the local Lollipop Lady	Object to the removal of local Lollipop Lady on the grounds that if it went ahead local children would be at more risk when walking to and from Freddy Nattress School	Re consider the removal of the Lollipop Lady and re instate her position	520 of which only 137 are valid	07th Jan 2010	Technical Services	Petition passed to Dem services 7th Jan 2010. Advice e mailed to Proposer confirming that the petition is valid. Dem Services to contact petitioner with options Letter sent to petitioner 17th Jan 2011 from Democratic Services	Letter sent to Petitioners explaining that current pelican crossing is to be upgraded to a puffin, however lollipop lady will not be reinstated

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5	21st Jan 2011	Request to Demolish	Request to demolish Billingham House as quickly as possible.	Demolition of Billingham House as soon as possible	674 valid signatories rec'd further 342 valid signatories total to date 1016	21st Jan 2011	Policy, Performance and Partners	Response sent to petitioners 3rd Feb 2011 Democratic Services acknowledged receipt of additional 342 signatories 24/03/11	Letter sent to Proposers 3rd Feb 2011 explaining that the Council has commenced steps to carry out the demolition of Billingham House if owners default on legal notice
6	18th May 2011	Regeneration of Billingham House	Request to regenerate Billingham House	request a community heritage centre create new office space	3276 valid plus further 783 from returned postcards total 4059	18th May 2011	DNS (Regen)	there were additional postcards received which had numerous combinations selected however did not match the original petition request nor did they amount to over 50 signatories. Therefore these were not valid as per the terms of Stockton's petition scheme. Went to Council 29th June for debate	Following the Council's debate of this issue, the Mayor explained that the planning Committee had approved an application for the Demolition of Billingham House. He also explained that the hearing was scheduled in the high court in London for the 17th and 18th August to hear the case around the judicial review, initiated on behalf of the owners of the building. On the 23 rd August the court ruled in favour of the council decision to demolish Billingham House. Bizzy B's application for leave to appeal was also refused by the deputy high court judge. In October 2011, a written application by Bizzy B to apply for leave to appeal was refused. In accordance with the court procedure rules, Bizzy B have now applied for an oral hearing to reconsider their application for leave to appeal and that hearing date has been set for 20th January 2012. Further details will be provided as soon as they are available.

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7	7th May 2011	Say no to moving the Market	Stockton Market Traders and Town Centre Business Petition 'Leave Our market Where it is'	That the market stays where it currently is and does not move as per the proposals detailed in the Regeneration of Stockton Town Centre	2828 valid signatories		DNS (Regen)	To go to Council on 7th Sept for Consideration	<p>Following the Council meeting of the 7th September where members debated the 'say no to moving Stockton Market' petition, the cabinet Memembr for regeneration and Transport indicated that discussions would continue with Market Traders</p> <p>Discussions continue with Market Traders through Markets Forum and a steering group set up with Market Trader representatives</p>
8	5th May 2011	objection to introduction to put dogs on a lead in Cowpen Bewley Woodland Park	objection to introduction to put dogs on a lead in Cowpen Bewley Woodland Park	Wants dogs to be able to run free in park, as is currently	68	5th May 2011	DNS (Environmental Health)	Democratic Services acknowledged receipt and informed proposer that the petition is valid 2nd June 2011	The petition was in response to a consultation exercise carried out at Cowpen Wildlife Park, on dog control measures. The petitioners concerns about this proposal were taken into account and subsequently no changes to previous voluntary seasonal controls have been adopted.

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9	3rd May 2011	Replace zebra crossing on Elmtree Ave with a Puffin crossing	Replace zebra crossing on Elmtree Ave with a Puffin crossing	That the current crossing is upgraded to a puffin	163	3rd May 2011	DNS (Highways)	Acknowledgement to be sent 3rd June to proposer and relevant officers to be informed	Considered by Area Transport Group on 23rd June 2011, alongside other proposed traffic schemes. Each were assessed and scored against set criteria for the allocation of available funding. Whilst there was evidence that there was some public support the scheme did not score sufficiently in order to be allocated funding for 2011/2012. The Scheme will therefore remain a contender for any future funding available
10	6th July	Stop the Potential Closure of Parkside Day Centre for Older People	Stop the Potential Closure of Parkside Day Centre for Older People	For Parkside Day Centre to remain open	234	6th July 2011	CESC	Letter of acknowledgement to petitioner 7th July. Item went to Cabinet on Thursday 14th July for consideration	The decision to close the Parkside Day Care Centre and re provide the services at the Halcyon Centre, was confirmed by Cabinet on 14th July 2011 and the centre closed in September 2011 with staff and services relocated to the Halcyon Centre.

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11	4th Oct 2011	Request for Skate Park for Grangefield Park	Request for Skate Park for Grangefield Park	A new Skate Park is erected at Grangefield Park	78	7th Oct 2011	DNS Countryside Greenspace	Letter of acknowledgement to Petitioner- 7th October 2011	In response to these recent requests the Council will seek to meet the current and anticipated demand for a skate park by doing the following; Make use of existing mobile skate park and semi static skate park facilities that the Council own. This will be operated by the Council's Youth Services and will be made available at different locations across the Borough alongside the mobile bus. When this is up and running it will be visiting Grangefield area to carry out further consultations with young people to gain a better understanding of their aspirations and the issues involved. Develop proposals for the provision of permanent skate facilities, to be delivered in partnership with young people and community organisations.
12	20th Oct 2011	Adequate parking for residents and visitors at Knole Road and Hatfield Road Billingham	Due to limited car parking spaces many residents are having to use grassed areas to park as passing cars are damaging parked vehicles.	Petitioners have asked that the Council provide adequate parking for residents and visitors to help limit the damage caused by passing traffic and the use of the grassed area	51	21st October	Technical Services	Letter of acknowledgement to Petitioner 21st October 2011 Officer sent officer letter to Proposer 7th Nov outlining options	Officers investigating feasibility including assessment of landownership, potential cost and related anti social behaviour in the area - Ongoing.
13	1st Dec 2011	Request that Tedder Avenue has a lollypop Lady in order to keep the children of the community safe when crossing to and from school	Petitioners ask the Council to reconsider their decision to remove the Lollypop Lady from Tedder Avenue outside Christ the King School. The belief is that with nobody present to cross the children over the road and control the flow of traffic children would be put in danger unnecessarily	That the Lollypop Lady be reinstated	335	1st Dec 2011		Letter of acknowledgement to Petitioner 8th December 2011	Initial meeting held with Head Teacher of school mid December to discuss issues/concerns raised by petition. Detailed response reflecting discussions to be sent to lead petitioner 10th January 2012.