

## **P-05-705 Encourage Planning Committees to Ensure that Planning Decisions Take Due Regard of the Impact on, or Closure of Local Community Groups and Voluntary Organisations.**

This petition was submitted by Mike Walker, having collected 79 signatures.

### **Text of the Petition**

Increasingly local churches and community buildings are closing and being sold for development, despite them still being actively used by community groups. Often these sales are subject to planning permission being given for the conversion or demolition of the building before the purchaser will complete the sale.

Unfortunately this process often means that community groups like nurseries and scout groups are forced to vacate the premises during the planning process. We call, therefore, for the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Government to change planning law or guidance to ensure that planning committees must take into account in the planning approval process consideration of the impact on the local community of the eviction of community groups.

### **Assembly Constituency and Region**

- Cardiff North
- South Wales Central