# 7.3 PETITION: TO BAN SMOKING IN AND AROUND RICKETTS POINT MARINE SANCTUARY

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Petition from residents of Bayside and surrounding areas seeking to ban smoking on the beaches, car parks, barbeques and foreshore areas in and around the sanctuary Ricketts Point Sanctuary.

(Total petitioners: 20 – (10 are Bayside residents).

"We the undersigned hereby petition Bayside City Council to ban smoking on the beaches, car parks, barbeques and foreshore areas in and around the Ricketts Point Sanctuary."

## Petition Preamble:

A marine sanctuary is a place for the environment to regenerate and for animals to be able to reproduce and care for their young safely without threat or harm. It is also a place where people come with their children and families to enjoy the natural environment; to play walk, snorkel, kayak, breathe fresh air and exercise. There is no place for toxic smoking in and around Ricketts Point Marine Sanctuary.

This has already been achieved in many other places around Australia and the world for the same valid reasons. Thank you.

## Petition Requirements

The submitted petition containing 20 signatures meets the required format of a petition in accordance with Council's Governance Local Law No:1 Clause 65.

## Officer Comment

In addition to the petition, a letter of support containing 17 signatories was received. A further electronic petition was also submitted.

### Recommendation

That the petition be received and a report be submitted to the April 2019 Ordinary Meeting of Council of this matter.

### **Support Attachments**

Nil