The following petition, supported by 56 signatures was received on 26 September 2016:

Petition Re change of terms of Dog Control Order affecting St Leonards Gardens.

We the below signed, dog walkers, council tax payers and local residents wish to formally ask the Hastings Council to consider a change of policy regarding the Dog Control order affecting St Leonards Gardens. Presently the control order allows dogs only to be exercised off lead before 9.00am and after 6.00pm all year round.

We are petitioning for the use of the gardens be subject to the same conditions as the seafront beaches allowing full use of the gardens throughout the day from 1st October through until 1st May thus bringing it in line with the sea front beaches and removing the risks and dangers involved in using the St Leonards garden facility late when it is dark. We feel this is a common sense minor change that will improve the life quality of a considerable number of local people and their dogs.