Council meeting – 14 July 2020

Item 6 – Questions from the Public

(a) From Mr Daniel Fulton

I intend to ask the following question in regards to item 9* (Monitoring Officer's report) at the meeting of the Council to be held on 14 July 2020.

Does the Leader of the Council agree with the Monitoring Officer's assessment that there is no benefit to the Council being made aware of unlawful decisions taken by officers on its behalf?

(* Monitoring Officer report is item 13 on the agenda)

(b) From Mr Richard Williams

I intend to ask the following question in regards to item 9* (Monitoring Officer's report) at the meeting of the Council to be held on 14 July.

The report states that no further action is necessary because a review of the planning service's validation and sign off processes will be undertaken. Does the Leader of the Council feel that any improvements could be made in the way that elected councillors exercise oversight of the Council's planning service?

(* Monitoring Officer report is item 13 on the agenda)

(c) From Mr Andrew R Taylor

I wish to ask the Leader to reply to the question set out below. I ask that the Leader respond to the question at the meeting of the Council due to take place on 14th of July 2020.

Could the Leader of the Council please provide her thoughts about the importance of openness and transparency in local government and the vital importance of complying with legal standards contained within the Freedom of Information Act and the Environmental Information Regulations?