



After the publication of the agenda for the 3 April 2017 Council meeting, but before the deadline for submission of questions, the following question was received from a member of the public.

The question will be asked under agenda item 6.

*“At the budget meeting held last month, mention was made again of the fact that St. Anne’s residents are paying more in their council tax (Special expenses) than Lytham residents are, and that in effect St Anne’s council taxpayers are subsidising Lytham’s tax payers to the tune of approximately £21 for a Band D property. This seems to me to be grossly unfair and certainly not a robust and transparent method of collecting council tax. I would like to know A. The reason behind this accounting anomaly for charging special expenses across both areas. B. Why the development and supplies services budgets cannot be split between the two areas separately. C. What steps elected members of Fylde Council are going to take to address this issue, so that St. Anne’s residents are not subsidising Lytham residents, as they are at present.” Carol Lanyon Resident and council taxpayer in St. Anne’s.*