



REPRESENTATIONS

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE	COUNCIL	5 DECEMBER 2022	6
QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL			

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY

One question has been received from a Member of the Council before the requisite deadline, as outlined in Procedural Standing Orders for Council and Committees of Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, and before the statutory deadline for publication of the agenda.

If any further questions are received before the constitutional deadline, as outlined above, they will be circulated prior to the meeting for members' information, under separate cover.

Any questions will be heard during the Council meeting on 5 December 2022 and a response will be given by the Leader of the Council or any other member nominated by her.

Question 1 - Received from Councillor Brian Gill - Received 22 November 2022

"As we understand from the previous Council meeting, and explained so eloquently by Cllr Redcliffe, Section 106 Monies are secured from developers to provide contributions to social infrastructure which are required due to their large-scale developments.

Therefore, can the leader please explain why Fylde Borough Council (FBC) is to give back 147 thousand pounds to the developer Morris Homes? This money has been identified as required to provide school places, something FBC have queried even though it is not their statutory responsibility ie it is the responsibility of Lancashire County Council (LCC). The large development surrounding the Water's Edge pub has been promoted by Morris Homes as a family estate and contains many young and growing families. The closest school is Clifton Primary School, the recipient of these agreed monies.

I have been informed that FBC are handing the monies back as LCC did not provide the requirement in time for the paperwork to be completed (quoting 10 days). LCC did inform FBC on the 21st of October 2021, with the deadline to allocate the 106 Monies being May 2022. Apparently, Officers were diverted away from this task due to other priorities.

Over 6 months was available for a task that had been given 10 days to complete and this was, apparently, an insufficient amount of time. How much time was needed? Surely, with the amount of money involved (147 thousand pounds) and the imperative need for this money at one of our local schools, a priority should have been given to the completion of this paperwork? If the school cannot now provide support for the extra children moving into the immediate area, those children will have to travel further to school, increasing the costs to their families.

We look forward to your explanation"