

Council 22 November 2017: Questions submitted from Members of the Public

Question No.	Question from	Question:	Question to:	Responsible Officer:
1.	Mr Greenhill	Following on from the fatuous proceedings instituted against Councillor Baldock for not returning blue paper Agenda documents, what has been done, if anything, to regularise the situation? It is clear that there is no provision in law for the return of such documents and it is also clear that the Council has no established system of custom and practice for their return. Council Tax payers do not wish to see their monies being wasted further on the cost of such proceedings and the unjustified and outrageous sums paid to an investigator when provided proper, lawfully recognised procedures are followed and approval given, the matter could easily be resolved, for example, by amending the Council's constitution.	Leader	Monitoring Officer
2.	Mr Harvey (Newington Parish Council)	Members will be aware of the long term on-going issues at the former Newington Working Men's Club site which have culminated in the issuing of a Stop Notice and Enforcement Notice on the site and the Council's Legal team considering whether the extensive evidence provided is sufficient to prosecute. Do Councillors share the despair of Newington Parish Council, the people of Newington and especially those resident in the High Street at the activities of the owner of the former working men's club site, the despair at the eventual decision by Legal officers that a prosecution is not in the public interest and that a prosecution would have sent a clear message to this site owner and to others of the requirement to abide by the conditions set by the Planning Committee for all planning applications in Swale?	Councillor Gerry Lewin	James Freeman