Environment Committee – 19 May 2022

AGENDA ITEM 5 – PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – ORDER IN WHICH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL WILL INVITE QUESTIONS BELOW RECEIVED IN WRITING IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING

1-4. From Freddie Tandy to the Chair of the Environment Committee, Councillor Edwards

THE FULL DETAIL OF THE QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED IS DETAILED BELOW

NOTE: The Chair will:

- Invite questions from members of the public who have submitted in writing their questions in line with the Council's Constitution.
- Explain that the questions received will be answered by the appropriate Members of the Committee.
- Confirm that Public Question Time allows Members of the public to ask one question at a time and that a maximum of one minute is allowed for each question.
- State that questions will be invited in the order in which they have been received and that if there is time remaining from the 15 minutes allowed for Public Question Time, questioners will be allowed to ask a supplementary question.

QUESTION ONE

From Freddie Tandy to the Chair of the Environment Committee, Councillor Edwards

What update can be provided on plans to introduce a new parking scheme at the Littlehampton Wave Leisure Centre/Mewsbrook Car Park which has been advertised as coming early in 2022 on poster at the Centre since the end of last year?

Response

There has been a worldwide shortage of Semi-Conductors which has led to shortage in many items including the screens that will be used in the parking system at the wave. Our supplier has informed the Customer & Parking Services

Manager that the screens are due to be delivered at the end of May and the new system should be set up and running from the beginning of June.

QUESTION TWO

From Freddie Tandy to the Chair of the Environment Committee, Councillor Edwards

What public consultation was carried out prior to the changes proposed at Mewsbrook Car Park being agreed, and if none was carried out why this was?

Response

There is no change to the policy of allowing free parking to the members using the Leisure Centre only the method has changed which does not require consultation.

QUESTION THREE

From Freddie Tandy to the Chair of the Environment Committee, Councillor Edwards

How was the decision to implement the changes at Mewsbrook Car Park made - was this via a report to Committee or taken under delegated powers - and when was this decision made?

Response

The decision was made by the Customer & Parking Services Manager after consulting with the operators Freedom Leisure. As this is a purely operational matter it does not require a Committee decision.

QUESTION FOUR

From Freddie Tandy to the Chair of the Environment Committee, Councillor Edwards

Was the revenue previously generated from the sale of parking discs to members at Littlehampton Wave (and previously Littlehampton Swimming and Sports Centre) was retained by the leisure operator or passed on to the Council?

Response

The revenue was retained by the Operator of the Centre.