

Public questions to Council – 12 December 2014

Question from Mr M Sandaver, Herefordshire

Question 1

Council Contractors

Why are outside contractors used, instead of the council taking responsibility for employing their own staff to carry out these tasks?

Question from Mr P McKay, Leominster

Question 2

Determination of highway status

At January 2014 Council meeting I was advised that *“Herefordshire Council is currently finalising a draft protocol for processing requests for Determination of Highway Status and it is anticipated that the draft will be available for consultation in March 2014. Mr McKay and other interested individuals and organisations will be able to comment on it at that time. Once adopted following consultation the protocol will be published on the Council’s website.”* The October LAF minutes advise that *“The Highways Draft Protocol needs some minor tweaks, and the Cabinet Member report needs to be written. This report will be submitted by the end of the year.”*

Could you confirm that this is progressing and anticipated date by which this will be published on the council's website?

Question from Mrs V Wegg-Prosser, Breinton

Question 3

The Local Plan Core Strategy Costs

Could the cabinet member responsible for the core strategy please provide the cost to date of the entire local plan process, dating from the finance year 2007/8 to the year 2013/14, broken down by year, and with spend to date for the year 2014/15, and an estimate of costs to this year end, March 2015