PUBLIC QUESTIONS TO COUNCIL – 16 JULY 2010

Question from Ms K Rock, Bromyard

In addition to general overgrowth of paths, Mr Barnes' gate, Mr Lane's hedge and shed and numerous "earthworks" which have been put up illegally on Bromyard Downs, we now have single bar gates erected. These are not only unlawful but extremely dangerous for horse riders due to the design, height, type of fastening (which has been fitted on some) which are hazardous for both rider and animal. They also very effectively block disabled access onto the Downs at the bottom of the Racecourse (where access was previously possible). There have also been large stones placed on the track by Foxglove Cottage which again are hazardous to horses and completely block wheelchair access.

Given all relevant authorities are aware of the various impediments currently on Bromyard Downs, when will the Council take action to remove these gates and other impediments to access?