Meeting of the Council, Thursday, 18 July 2019

Questions Under Standing Order A13

A member may only submit three questions for consideration at each Council Meeting. Each member will present their first question in turn, when all the first questions have been dealt with the second and third questions may be asked in turn. The time for member's questions will be limited to a total of 30 minutes.

Question (1) by
Councillor Chris
Lewis to the Cabinet
Member for
Infrastructure,
Environment and
Culture (Councillor
Morey)

In recent months there has been an increase in 'Unlicensed Street Traders' placing cars for sale on the Highway.

I understand other Councils have been stamping it out by imposing a simple set of by-laws where the car for sale has to be within a couple of hundred yards of the registered keepers home address.

What action is being taken to stop 'Cars for Sale' on the Highway and will the portfolio holder for Highways please investigate and stop the action from taking place.

Question (2) by Councillor O'Dwyer to the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure, Environment and Culture (Councillor Morey) Following the Notice of Motion brought forward by Cllrs M. and S. Darling and decision taken to instigate a Clear Streets Charter at the beginning of the year and along with the recent successful adoption by Exeter City Council of a charter. Could you please provide an update on any progress of our charter but also inform me as part of this or individually when roads like Higher Woodfield Road in Wellswood and Teignmouth Road, Torquay will again have pavements for residents, that are passable by pedestrian both able and disabled or also with pushchairs and wheelchairs.

In these two cases the trees have grown too big and need replacing with smaller varieties or other arrangements made. The mature trees are so big the spaces remaining between them and the walls are less than 2 feet wide and people are having to, if capable step into the street or amongst parked cars or in other cases turn around as the kerb drop offs are too high to dismount, especially for wheelchair and motability users.

Could you also provide numbers of enforcement actions against homeowners whose hedges and bushes make other pavements almost impassable and definitely dangerous through being unkempt and overgrown? I personally witnessed as I was driving a partially sighted person hit by a branch and nearly knocked into the roadway as they proceeded down Marldon Road, Paignton recently.