

COUNCIL

MEETING OF 18 FEBRUARY 2025

**AGENDA ITEM 6 - QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL  
PROCEDURE RULE NO 5.6**

The following question has been asked pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No 5.6 by Tasha Allen:

Please can you kindly confirm the following - members are using a need for Section 106 funds and affordable housing as reasons for approving planning applications?

However, we are seeing developers, once granted planning permission submitting applications to vary the terms of their 106 Agreements and being approved by the Planning Department. See Esquire Bluebells on Hermitage Lane site. Affordable housing reduced by 25% after permission granted.

Can you confirm how many affordable housing units have been lost in the TMBC areas over the past 3 years by what appears to be a legal loophole that developers are making use of and explain how these are overriding material planning considerations when they are not even guaranteed to stay the same

**A response will be provided at the meeting by the relevant Member and set out in full in the Minutes.**