

**COUNCIL MEETING 21 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**Item 10 – Councillor Urgent Questions Received under Standing Order 27.4.2**

	<b>Question From</b>	<b>Question to</b>	<b>Question</b>
1	Councillor Hughes	Cllr Pike	<p>On two occasions in the past three months, illegal encampments have been set up public land in the centre of Purbrook. On both occasions, they arrived on a Friday knowing full well that the legal process to have them removed will take until at least the following Monday afternoon. During that time period, elderly residents, living less than 50 feet from the open space are subjected to anti-social behavior created by the noise of quad bikes, the barking of many, many dogs, barbeques, music etc. When the site is cleared HBC (through NORSE) is left with the clean up ... litter, human waste, animal waste.</p> <p>Previous policy advocated 'tolerating' such encampments as the eviction and clean up costs were 'cheaper' than other solutions. This is not acceptable.</p> <p>What steps are Havant Borough Council going to undertake to secure that location and prevent further illegal encampments at this location and other similar blighted locations across our borough?</p>