COUNCIL MEETING – 25 NOVEMBER 2020 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.40

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1/2020	Mr J Roebuck	Councillor A Waters Executive Member for Regeneration	 Hemlington North Development Brief In the adopted Local Housing Plan, Policy H23 Hemlington Grange, paragraph (f) specifically indicates that "Apartments will not be permitted in the development" Will the Council therefore reject the adoption of the Hemlington North development brief, as agreed by the Executive Committee on 27th October, and request planning officers to develop a brief that meets the requirements of the said Policy H23, and also addresses respondents' issues, which were totally ignored by planning officers?
2/2020	Mr A Walker	Councillor A Waters Executive Member for Regeneration	Further to the recent decision to adopt the development briefs, for sites at Hemlington North and Hemlington Grange South, would Councillor Waters be willing to request that the Executive Committee re-visit this decision on the basis that the planning officers/department did not apply the requirements of the statement of community involvement in responding to the consultation, failing to respond to legitimate concerns raised by respondents, and instead used a cut and paste approach. In answering my question, please can Councillor Waters also indicate the extent to which he agrees or disagrees with the statement below, taken from paragraph 1.10 of Middlesbrough Council's Statement of Community Involvement: "for planning to be seen as positive, all sections of the community must have confidence that the process is legitimate, operates in a timely manner and produces outcomes that are in the public interest. The process should be simple to follow and delivered in a fair, transparent and efficient manner" This demonstrates that the Council clearly are not listening to the people or making sure everyone is on board. The last sentence relates to comments made by Councillor Waters in The Gazette.