

Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Children's Services, Education and Skills – 2 March 2023

Written question from Mr S Cowley to the Chairman

As a consequence of response PQ07/23 to my question at Full Council meeting to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services, the following question remains.

Would this Policy and Scrutiny Committee ensure that the Council's Legal Department kindly provide copies of documents they relied upon to legally justify the disposal of the ex-school site at Yarmouth, and provide financial reassurance to potential funders that these property rights are guarantees?

Reasons for questions:

Yarmouth Town Council's Working Party is engaged in raising funds to save the ex-school site for the community's mutual benefit. We are actively seeking support from residential donors, existing Trust Funds and encouraging bequests from generous patrons. Given the possible uncertainty that surrounds the legality and potential challenges to the Council's decision to sell the site, unequivocal proof is paramount.

Response

The council holds the freehold title(s) of the Yarmouth site and has reviewed the title information and is satisfied that the land may be disposed of.