Cabinet - Thursday 16 December 2021

Written question from Cllr Andrew Garratt to the Leader

Having in mind the comments of the deputy leader of the council at the policy and scrutiny committee for neighbourhoods and regeneration of 18 November 2021 concerning Camp Hill, could the Cabinet set out its current thinking regarding the Camp Hill prison site?

Response

We understand the Ministry of Justice who own the site are in the midst of another national review of their estate and until that is concluded the council will not be in position to consider what opportunities there might be for potential redevelopment and any potential relationship with the MOJ in bringing that opportunity forward. We must focus on sites where we have certainty and ideally ownership, such as those recently approved for Brownfield Land Release Funding. Our staff time is precious and must be focused on the here and now and not what might come to pass. Our door will always remain open to discuss the future of the Camp Hill site.

I know Cllr Garratt helped secure the Camp Hill residential area investment from the MOJ earlier this year and will be pleased to note the progress being made on installing a new lighting scheme on the estate.