

Agenda Item 10

Burning of Illegal Trade Waste at Pasture Lane:

It has recently been reported to the Clerk that somebody was burning large amounts of plastic waste material at Pasture Lane allotment site. The Clerk suspected that there are two plots where rubbish is being burnt, and began investigating which one was responsible for the plastic, but was having difficulty in observing one site due to the fencing, in the meantime a Cllr. Nike brought in two pictures of the site taken from a drone.

The scale of the tipping and burning could be more clearly assessed and the Clerk contacted the Environmental Health Officer who said it had been drawn to his attention by local residents and that he was investigating. The Clerk also informed PC Dibb who the following day on traveling up Pasture Lane saw smoke and as the plot was secured phoned the Fire Brigade who attended affected an entrance and dealt with the situation. A police log of the incident along with the Fire Brigades report will be passed onto the Environmental Health Office, with a potential prosecution being sought.

PC Dibb has forwarded some photos taken at the scene which show both the tipping of builders waste and evidence of a largescale bonfire. The Tennant has not been into the office to pay his rent and will be sent a reminder in the hope that he contacts the Clerk as the cost of clearing the rubbish could run into hundreds of pounds.

The Clerk will keep the Council informed of any progress with the matter.

