WYCOMBE DISTRICT COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 16 December 2013

AGENDA ITEM 5

Questions from Members of the Public

1. Question from Mr R Kettle to the Cabinet Member for Planning & Sustainability

From Thames Water documents available on the Planning Portal, it is clear that Thames Water have a duty to deliver mains water with a minimum head of 10 metres and a flow of 9 litres per minute at the property boundary. We are aware that there have been issues with the Little Marlow Sewage Works depositing raw sewage, not only into the Thames but also into neighbouring fields.

Consultation now taking place on the new Local Plan shows in the region of 13,000 additional houses/dwellings and extensive commercial space to be built in the district over the next 13 years.

What practical steps are the District Council, in conjunction with Thames Water and the Environmental Agency, taking to ensure that such developments are delivering water at the standard required and that the additional sewage generated can be removed and treated without the infrastructure being overloaded, or repeats of the issues at Little Marlow Sewage Works?

Verbal reply to be given by Councillor N B Marshall (Cabinet Member for Planning & Sustainability)