

QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR, CABINET MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

To the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Recycling:

1. I have been told that it is not the policy of the Borough Council to provide new bins for dog waste. Is this correct?

Cllr Richard Gorton
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To the Leader of the Council

2. As the Leader of the Council is aware, concerns were expressed at the Walley's Quarry Liaison Committee in November 2022 about the Thistleberry Residents Association (TRA) and their continued membership of the Liaison Committee. At the subsequent meeting on 16 March 2023, Walleys Quarry Ltd said they had carried out due diligence, which they refused to share, and said they were satisfied with the TRA and its membership of the Liaison Committee.

Since being elected to the Council last May for the Thistleberry Ward, local Borough Councillors have tried to make contact with the TRA but without success. The TRA have stated they will not provide the names and contact details of the Executive, to us or anyone else, and the TRA will not provide information on meetings and or their contact with residents.

Does the Leader agree with me that there is no evidence the TRA actually represents the residents of Thistleberry and that the Thistleberry Residents Association is being run by somebody who does not live in Thistleberry?

Cllr Joan Whieldon
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To the Leader of the Council

3. Many residents feel that the Sky building has suffered enough and wants putting out of its misery. The people of Newcastle are watching its daily deterioration with dismay, and many feel that it should be brought back into Council ownership. What options, including compulsory purchase, have been considered in order to make the best use of what's left of it?'

Cllr Wendy Brockie
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