PUBLIC QUESTIONS TO COUNCIL AND RESPONSE

12 DECEMBER 2023

Mr Clive Hutchings was unable to attend the meeting to present his question, as a member of the public. In accordance with Standing Order 19(4) (B) in the Council's Constitution, the question and answer would be published on the City Council website within five working days of the meeting. The question and answer from the Portfolio Holder Corporate & Democratic Services and Environmental Health are also appended to the minutes.

Question from Mr Clive Hutchings

Monitoring of air quality is an Exeter City Council task.

At the last Devon County Council, HATOC meeting it was stated that additional air quality monitors would be installed within the city to produce real time data. The timescale mentioned was within a few weeks. Have these been ordered? When might they be installed?

The Portfolio Holder Corporate & Democratic Services and Environmental Health Councillor Bob Foale provided the following response for publication:-

City Council officers are working with Devon County Council (DCC) to install the additional air quality sensors to ensure that they complement our existing network as well as monitoring the DCC active streets schemes.

Highway permissions are required for installation, but the majority of the sensors can be installed under a minor permit for a footway closure. These should only take a few weeks. There are however three locations where a Temporary Traffic Regulation Notice (TTRN) will be required to install them. The TTRN process can take up to three months but the team are working with DCC highways to make this statutory process as quick as possible.