

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - RESOURCES - 7 JANUARY 2016

PUBLIC QUESTION UNDER STANDING ORDER 19 FROM MR FUGGLE

- 1) Why is it that the council tax payers have been told for some time now that the developers of the retail outlets would pay for the bus station and now it seems that they are now unwilling to do this?
- 1) **ANSWER** - *The issue of the bus station having to be funded/delivered by the public rather than private sector was considered by the Council Executive on 23 June 2015. The paper highlighted the need for public sector involvement and provided a number of options. After further work the recommendation is that the Council deliver the bus station.*
- 2) If this is a change from their side, should other developers be approached or have you signed the council tax payer into a deal we can't get out of even if they go back on their side of the deal?
- 2) **ANSWER** – *There was no 'deal' in relation to the developer funding the bus station.*

Members of the Scrutiny Committee - Resources were invited to debate the matter.

A Member sought clarity over the role of Devon County Council as transport authority in this matter.

Mr Fuggle was present at the meeting and had the opportunity to respond for a maximum of two minutes.