

**QUESTION NO 20**

**By Councillor McFarlane for answer  
by the Leader of the Council at a  
meeting of the Council on 27 October  
2022**

**Question** (1) Has the Leader of the Council followed up with BT as promised at the Full Council meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September and when is the next of his meetings scheduled to occur?

**Answer** (1)

**Question** (2) On the 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 Full Council meeting and in answer to my question the Leader of the Council stated that only 13 out of 55 jobs by BT in the supposed 'EH1 Post Code Clean-up' had not been completed.

- How many have been completed now?
- Does he agree with the public perception that post 'cleanup' EH1 phone boxes are still covered with graffiti, missing receivers or badly damaged?

**Answer** (2)

**Question** (3) On the 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 Full Council meeting in answer to my supplementary question the Leader of the Council stated that he was hopeful some of the applications for BTs new 'phone hubs' would be approved.

What assurances has he had from BT that their new offer will not simply degrade and be as badly maintained as current BT assets are?

**Answer** (3)

**Question** (4) Does the Leader of the Council agree that if there is more than one phone box in an area within 400 meters' walking distance from the next public phone box, and if it doesn't meet one of Ofcoms additional criteria blocking its removal that the surplus should be removed by BT immediately?

**Answer**

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