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Mr J Smith By email

Dear Mr Smith

## Council 21st July 2021

I am sorry that you I was not able to answer your question at the last Council meeting. However, I have detailed the question below along with my subsequent response for your information.

"In Judge O'Connor's Decision following a recent Contempt Of Court Hearing he refers to "the clear and prolonged nature of the breach" by RMBC of the Tribunal's order issued on 2.5.19. In paragraph 66 he mentions "the striking absence of witness evidence from RMBC?

Will RMBC provide the absent witness evidence before the Upper Tribunal Hearing for Contempt Of Court?"

The Council has recently attended a GRC hearing on two matters. Judge O'Conner agreed with the Council on one of these. The second has not yet been concluded and is an on-going legal process. Therefore, until it is concluded it would not be appropriate to answer questions or comment at this time.

Yours sincerely

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