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Councillor Simon Ball  
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Dear Cllr Ball

**Question at Council – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

Thank you for the question you submitted to the Council meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024, which I have set out below along with my response:

***Fridays at Riverside seems to be like entering the Mary Celeste, will the council commit to not having a 4-day week thus safeguarding making Thursday's becoming the new Friday?***

I can advise that there are no plans to introduce a 4-day working week.

The Council has a Working Location Policy which has been in place since March 2022, and it focuses on delivering the best possible services for residents, whilst at the same time recognising that there were benefits of staff being able to work more flexibly.

The policy requires full time staff to attend a work location in the Borough for a minimum of 3-days per week (pro-rata for part time employees), subject to the requirements of the role and service need.

The policy was introduced with cross-party support at Staffing Committee.

I hope that you find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely



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