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Councillor Michael Bennett-Sylvester
Elected Member

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Dear Cllr Bennett-Sylvester

Question at Council – Wednesday 11th September 2024

Thank you for the question you submitted to the Council meeting on 11th September 2024, which I have set out below along with my response:

Can you confirm or deny that in June RMBC officers were involved in serving notices and taking action regards Travellers residing on land owned by Wickersley Parish Council?

I can confirm that in June 2024 there was an unauthorised encampment present across both RMBC land and land immediately adjacent owned by Wickersley Parish Council. RMBC issued a s.77 notice directing the unauthorised campers to leave the land owned by both RMBC and Wickersley Parish Council. Those present left following service of the notice without the need for further action.

As I'm sure you would agree it would not have been sensible or practical to take separate action against vehicles parked next to each other.

I would be happy to meet with you separately with the appropriate officer(s) to discuss further if that would be helpful.

Yours sincerely



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