COUNCIL MEETING – 27 FEBRUARY 2019 ITEM 5 – PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The following questions have been submitted by David Smith for response by the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Housing:-

Question 1

"In Stockton-on-Tees Local Plan, under Section 5, Housing: It proposes to construct 2,150 new homes along Harrowgate Lane and Yarm Back Lane, with a further 400 homes on 'reserve' land.

The Local Plan does outline that these new homes will include 'affordable housing' and will contain a mixture of flats and 2, 3, 4 bedroom houses yet I was unable to identify any provision for bungalows.

There is a need to take into consideration the existing and growing population of those over 60 years old.

Therefore can the Council confirm that bungalows will be included in their housing plan, both for sale and rent within the 2,150 new homes to be constructed along Harrowgate Lane and Yarm Back Lane?"

Question 2

"In Stockton-on-Tees Local Plan, under Section 5, Housing: It proposes to build a Primary School for Early Years and KS1 with provisions to extend this to KS2 if needed. I have been unable to identify any plans to build a Secondary School catering for KS3 and KS4.

In Elm Tree Avenue there are 147 houses with a total of 30 secondary school aged children. If this figure was represented with 2,150 houses it would equate to 435 secondary school aged children.

A similar study of Harrowgate Lane revealed that there are 140 houses with 27 secondary aged children and if this figure was represented with 2,150 houses it would equate to 405 secondary school aged children.

Can the Council confirm that Outwood Acadamy in Harrowgate Lane be able to absorb an additional 400 plus pupils and if not will the Council propose to build an additional Secondary School on the Reserve Land located near the Mitre Pub to cater for over 400 pupils?"