

**Item 10 - Question Time**

To the Chair of the Care, Learning & Housing Committee

“When did the council last assess all land it owns for housing suitability and what was the outcome of this?”

Response to Mr A Jarvie

In 2014 a comprehensive Council land audit was carried out by Housing development and planning services, other Council Officers and our partner housing associations to identify land owned by the Council or partners that may be suitable for housing development in areas of housing pressure. A number of opportunities were identified and feasibilities carried with some developments being taken forward but a number were rejected for a variety of reasons including inappropriate locations e.g. industrial areas, high costs due to ground conditions and infrastructure constraints or objections expressed by local residents. The audit was reviewed in 2018 as part of an ongoing exercise to identify new housing opportunities in high demand areas.