

(xiv)Ms E Roddick

To the Leader of the Council

‘Do you think it is appropriate that meetings about local resilience and third sector COVID response have gone ahead between yourself, Area Chairs and registered community groups without the knowledge and inclusion of other Councillors?’

One aspect of Council’s Recovery Plan is to understand the impacts and experience of covid in our communities. As you will recall a report entitled Developing a Framework for Participation and Involvement was considered at the Community and Place Committee on 20 August.

That report stated that at a Member level this work stream would be led by the Council Leader, and the Chair of the Communities and Place Committee and would involve Area Chairs.

That is what has been done and I am pleased to say that 14 community conversations have taken place. A summary of initial themes was circulated to Members and an update on this and wider engagement will be reported to Communities and Place Committee on 25 November.