

QUESTION TO COUNCILLOR NEIL STOCK OBE
LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

QUESTION PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 10.1

Question raised by: Mr Dan Casey, Jaywick Sands, Clacton-on-Sea

“Having been asked by the Leader of the Council to present an 1100 signature petition to him and which I presented to him myself at a Cabinet meeting regarding the closure of the Garden Road, Jaywick Sands public toilets, among others. I was both surprised and annoyed to be told that the petition would not be debated by the councillors because it was not clear who had submitted it, and as stated in the letter I received, the petition did not go through by the correct procedure as it did not say who had presented it and what the petition was for.

Will the Leader of the Council please explain why his administration is undermining its own excellent work in regenerating Jaywick Sands by ignoring the needs of the local community by denying access to public toilets by residents and visitors who wish to make use of the local beaches?

Will he further explain why his administration considered it appropriate to use a technicality within the Council’s Procedure Rules to avoid discussing the stated wishes of the local community rather than deal with the situation by ensuring that Jaywick Sands beach is served by easily accessible and much needed public toilets?