QUESTION TO COUNCILLOR ZOE FAIRLEY PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR INVESTMENT AND GROWTH

QUESTION PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.2

Question raised by: Councillor Richard Everett

"Is the portfolio holder aware that businesses in Great Clacton are losing customers and trade as a result of the unreasonable actions of private companies operating car parks in the area. The effect on residents, and customers from further afield, is that they are being ticketed for trumped up parking charges. Planning permission is required for ANPR cameras and associated signage on the site and should be in place before any tickets are issued.

Local businesses are suffering with trade decreasing as a result of less people choosing to shop in Great Clacton, blaming the parking charges and approach of the operating companies. What should be even more concerning to this Council is that many people are questioning what is being done by the Council to regulate the companies and their actions.

What does the portfolio holder propose is done by this Council to help protect the businesses locally from the actions of predatory parking companies putting people off from doing business in Great Clacton?"