

## **Environment Committee**

**Tuesday 30 July 2019**

### **Allotment Holder Question Time**

#### **Question 1**

Some people have been making comment about the specifications for the car park. A question had been asked as to why tarmac had not been used for resurfacing.

#### **Answer**

It was clarified that the specification for the car park was to rip, crush and roll it and put road stone in. There was never an agreement to have it tarmacked.

#### **Question 2**

There is an ongoing problem with asbestos on the sites since 2015.

#### **Answer**

This is an ongoing issue. The GSO confirmed that when asbestos is found on sites it is bagged and removed. He will visit the site to check whether there is anything visiting currently.

#### **Question 3**

The contractors who have cut the trees whilst resurfacing the car park have buried some of the branches. There are also overhanging branches.

#### **Answer**

The General Services Officer will follow this up with the contractors, however, the overhanging branches are from trees that are not on the allotment site.

#### **Question 4**

Taps were hit by the contractors who were carrying out work on the regrading on the lanes.

#### **Answer**

The GSO said spoke to the contractor who confirmed the taps had not been hit. He did agree however to go around and tighten all the joints.

### **Question 5**

Last year the fire brigade could not get access to deal with a fire due to overhanging trees. BTC contributed £1,000 toward cutting back the trees. What is happening as this work has not been done?

### **Answer**

The GSO will speak to Northumberland County Council as they will be carrying out the work.

**NB** GSO has since received confirmation from NCC that the work was carried out in October/November 2018.