

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

5.1 QUESTION FROM MR TONY ELLIS OF KEWFERRY ROAD, NORTHWOOD TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORT - COUNCILLOR RILEY:

Would the Council pass a by-law prohibiting the use of garden machinery after 6pm on weekdays, after 1pm on Saturdays and all day on Sundays?

Throughout the summer we residents in Northwood have been unable to enjoy our gardens in the evenings and weekends because of the noise of garden machinery. Commercial gardeners and residents alike use lawnmowers, saws and leaf blowers until late into the evening on weekdays, Saturday afternoons and all-day Sundays creating a cacophony of noise, making it impossible for neighbours to sit and enjoy the peace of their gardens.

I also believe that the use of garden machinery outside of these hours is in contravention of the Human Rights Act as the noise prevents our enjoyment of our gardens.