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QUESTIONS AT ANY TIME TO HEADS OF SERVICE

Question From:	County Councillors Heulwen Hulme and Elwyn Vaughan
Subject:	Cancellation and Postponement of Planning Committee Meetings
Question To:	Head of Property, Planning and Public Protection

Question:

Please can the Head of Service advise why planning committee meetings have been cancelled on 8.9.22 and a further one postponed 29.9.22 to 5.10.22.

We are all aware of the enormous backlog of planning applications within the system and I know of one now over 2 years old. Many applications involve substantial investment by the applicant and with rising building costs it is unacceptable that delays are incurred by the service. We are also doing a disservice to the applicant and giving this authority a bad name. New members are also being disadvantaged by the lack of frequent meetings. How are they meant to gain valuable and necessary experience when determining more complexed planning applications. We are operating in "business as usual" and we urge you to re-instate the next scheduled planning meeting 29.9.22. If the Chair is not available then the Vice Chair should take the chair.